GREETINGS FROM NRS

Dear Friends,

Throughout the year we work to bring awareness, education, and public responsiveness to a range of subjects that impact the youth and families we serve. In October, we recognized World Bullying Prevention Month, LGBTQIA2S+ History Month, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, World Mental Health Day, Indigenous People’s Day and National Coming Out Day. We invite you to read about several of these subjects on our blog and to follow us on social media (@1800RUNAWAY) to see our daily postings on these topics and more.

As we turn the calendar to November, we are particularly excited to kick off National Runaway Prevention Month (NRPM). Throughout this month-long public awareness campaign, we, along with partner organizations, individuals, and companies, host unique events and activities across the country to "shine a light" on runaway and homeless youth issues. 120 partners from over 30 states have already committed to serving as a source of light, hope and support for young people in their communities.

We invite you to learn more about NRPM on our NRPM homepage and we encourage you to take action, get involved and make a difference. Here you will find a menu of videos, downloadable resources, templates for creating outreach and education materials tailored for your local program or community, highlights from our social media campaign, and a calendar of national events to join throughout the month.

Thank you to all of our partners, volunteers, and supporters as we kick off this most impactful and important campaign. With your support, we are able to continue our mission of keeping America’s runaway, homeless and at-risk youth safe and off the streets.

With warm regards,
Susan Frankel  
Chief Executive Officer

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT NRS?

Become a National Runaway Prevention Month Partner

National Runaway Prevention Month mobilizes individuals, organizations and communities nationwide to show youth experiencing crisis they are not alone. Together we can shine a light on the issues facing young people!

In 2021, more than 120 partners, youth ambassadors and others will be joining NRS to host creative events, engage with followers on social media platforms, arrange for landmarks to be lit in green (the official color of NRPM), secure proclamations and distribute campaign materials to educate the public about youth homelessness.

We invite you to read more about joining us as an official NRPM partner, adding your voice and innovation to our efforts to work to end youth homelessness through this campaign.

National Coming Out Day

On October 11, 2021 we celebrated National Coming Out Day, which recognizes people as they share with others their LGBTQIA2S+ identities! The first National Coming Out Day was observed 33 years ago on the anniversary of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights.

Click on the button below to learn more about how to support loved ones on their coming out journey. We also invite you to follow NRS @1800RUNAWAY on Instagram (and other social media platforms) as we offer valuable information and support for young people, families, and friends.

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DIGITAL SERVICES SPOTLIGHT - THE NRS BLOG

Each month, our team creates new blog posts that highlight national campaigns, stories from our crisis services staff and volunteers, and issues that impact runaway and homeless youth.

Is there something that you want us to research or talk about? Share your ideas and requests to mtaylor@1800runaway.org. Explore our blog to see the kinds of topics we regularly highlight using the link below.

Click Here to Visit the Blog

WE'RE HIRING!

Are you looking for a fulfilling career that allows you to support runaway, homeless and at-risk youth and their families? NRS is currently hiring for a Communications & Digital Media Coordinator, a Development Coordinator and several Crisis Services Supervisor roles.

Benefits include health, dental and vision insurance, generous PTO, and flexible scheduling. If you or someone you know sounds like a good fit, check out the listings on our site. We look forward to hearing from you!

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YOUTH IN THE NEWS

Campaign continues work to remove SROs from schools

'Documented Dreamers' ask Congress to end self-deportation, family separation
"The Community First Coalition of Connecticut, a group of grassroots and youth-led organizations, was started 14 months ago. 'Care Not Cops' — the coalition's first campaign which was launched at a Sept. 18 press conference in Hartford — centers on removing police from public schools in Connecticut.

Its main goal is to replace school resource officers, SROs, with school resource counselors, SRCs. It also aims to expand the definition of SROs to encompass security officers and non-police actors, advocate for transparency legislation for police-led interactions in schools and decriminalize chronic absenteeism."

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"An estimated 200,000 young immigrants living legally in the U.S. for years as dependents of their parents on temporary work visas are aging out of the program into a precarious legal limbo, according to immigrant advocates.

After turning 21, many of these children abruptly lose legal immigration status and are forced to choose between returning to their country of birth where they've spent little time, or remaining in the US illegally to stay with their families.

'Everything I know is American. It just doesn't make sense for me to go back to a country that I've lived in for 4 months,' said Pareen Mhatre, 21, a University of Iowa senior and daughter of Indian immigrants who came to the US two decades ago and have built careers with long-term work visas."

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