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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc. -<u>Services to At-Risk Program (STAR)</u> and <u>Eagle Pass Independent School District</u>

<u>SCAN's</u> mission is to foster the healthy development of children, adolescents, families, and communities through the provision of engaging, responsive, comprehensive, and developmentally appropriate services that are deeply rooted in the community.

The <u>STAR</u> Program serves families with children ages 0-17 years who have presented for services due to family conflict/crisis and who will benefit from services intended to prevent child maltreatment and increase family functioning/resiliency and who are not currently under investigation by Child Protective Services.

Youth ages 10-17 years who are at risk for one of the following conditions and have not been formally adjudicated by a court of law -juvenile delinquency, truancy, or unaccompanied youth (runaway/homeless) and their families.

Eligibility Exceptions

Child Protective Services Involvement:

- If CPS is in the process of an investigation of child abuse/neglect, STAR may not register the youth or family for service until the CPS investigation is closed.
- A family with an open CPS case beyond the investigation stage, and with the presenting problem of family conflict, may not be registered for STAR services as this family will be receiving CPS services for family issues.
- Youth in the conservatorship of CPS are not eligible to receive emergency care services through the STAR program services.

Juvenile Justice Involvement:

- Youth who have been adjudicated and convicted of either a misdemeanor or state jail felony offense are not eligible for STAR services.
- Youth whose case are pre-adjudicated, informally adjudicated, or whose adjudication has been deferred are eligible for STAR services.

During the FY 2014 (September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014):

Eagle Pass Independent School District agrees to offer support to SCAN in the implementation of the STAR Program by:

- 1) Referring youth between the ages of 0-17 to participate in Services for At-risk program services.
- 2) Work in conjunction with SCAN, Inc. to ensure that program youth receive comprehensive prevention and early intervention services.
- 3) Provide an appropriate location for STAR program staff to provide screening, assessment and/or counseling services.

The STAR agrees to:

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1. Provide Toll-free telephone services. 2) Provide crisis family and youth counseling. 3) Emergency care services (youth shelter services). 4) Family and Youth short-term counseling. 5) Parenting skills. 6) Youth coping skills training.

Gilberto Gonzalez Superintendent, Eagle Pass Independent School District

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Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc.

Date: _____

Date: 10-2-13

Note: A memorandum of understanding is not a contract



COOPERATIVE WORKING AGREEMENT

This Cooperative Working Agreement is entered into between **Eagle Pass Independent School District and Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc.** for the purpose of coordinating drug prevention and intervention activities/services for qualified participants during FY 2014 (September 1, 2013 – August 31, 2014).

Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc. agrees to provide problem identification, substance abuse prevention and intervention activities, brief interventions, and alternative activities through its <u>Rural Border Intervention Program</u> to participants referred by Eagle Pass Independent School District

Eagle Pass Independent School District:

- 1. Refer youth or adult participants to participate in Rural Border Prevention and Intervention Program activities.
- 2. Work in conjunction with SCAN to ensure that program participants receive comprehensive prevention and intervention services, problem identification, brief interventions, screening and assessment and referral to treatment.
- 3. Provide a location for Rural Border Intervention staff to provide individual and family services for youth and adults, including alternative activities, if space is available.

Furthermore, Eagle Pass Independent School District

(1) Acknowledges that in receiving, storing, processing, or otherwise dealing with any information from SCAN about the participants in the program, it is fully bound by the provisions of the federal regulations governing Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records, 42 CFR Part 2, and (2) undertakes to resist in judicial proceedings any effort to obtain access to information pertaining to participants otherwise than as expressly provided for in the federal confidentiality regulations, 42 CFR Part 2.

Terms and Termination:

The terms of this cooperative working agreement shall begin September 1, 2013 and will end on August 31, 2014.

Amendment and Modification:

This agreement may be amended by agreement of the parties above mentioned. Said amendment or modification will become a part of this agreement. In witness thereof, this cooperative working agreement has been executed by each agency's authorized representative on the dates listed below:

Gilberto Gonzalez Superintendent

Isela S. Dabdoub, CEO Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc.