

## **FBI Press Release**

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## ChildFirst Services Chosen as Recipient of Director's Community Leadership Award

On **Thursday, December 11, 2014, at 10:00 AM**, Special Agent in Charge Edward J. Hanko of the Philadelphia Division of the FBI will present the annual Director's Community Leadership Award for 2014 to ChildFirst Services, Inc. This group was selected for this award because of its tireless work in assisting the FBI's efforts to end child exploitation and child sex trafficking. President and CEO Dr. Nathaniel J. Williams will be accepting the award on behalf of ChildFirst Services, Inc.

Since 1990, the FBI has publicly recognized and honored the achievements of individuals and organizations for their continued efforts in combating crime, terrorism, drugs and violence in America with the Director's Community Leadership Award. Each year, one individual or organization in each of the FBI's 56 field offices is selected whose achievements in the terrorism, crime, drug, gang, and/or violence prevention and education field have had exemplary impact on the community.

ChildFirst Services, Inc. is a non-profit organization with the mission to provide individuallybased quality services to children, youth and under-served, at-risk populations. The organization manages a network of family-style group homes and serves as a resource for child sex trafficking victims by providing access to safe housing, counseling and educational services, and other victim services.

Media coverage of the presentation is welcome, and audio and video recording will be permitted.

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WHAT: Director's Community Leadership Award presentation
WHEN: Thursday, December 11 – 10:00 a.m.
WHERE: FBI Philadelphia – 600 Arch Street, 8<sup>th</sup> floor