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Parent Pathways Changes Name to “Florence Crittenton Services”

Name Change Reflects Long History Serving Teen Parents in Denver

DENVER – Sept. 15, 2010 --

The nonprofit Parent Pathways has changed its name to Florence Crittenton Services, effective immediately, President and CEO Susan Carparelli announced today.

“The new name capitalizes on our rich history, dating back to 1893 when we were born as the Florence Crittenton Home in Denver,” explained Carparelli. “It also reflects our continued evolution as an organization and a sharpening of focus on our efforts to help teen parents raise healthy families.”

Florence Crittenton Services started as a home for unwed mothers. By 1981, the community no longer had need for such a home, as teen mothers were increasingly keeping their babies. However, after infant mortality and high school dropout rates rose, the Florence Crittenton School was created in 1984 through collaboration by the nonprofit Human Services, Inc. with Denver Public Schools, the Junior League and the Colorado Department of Health to give teen mothers support, education and the parenting skills needed to raise a healthy family.

Human Services, Inc., for many years also provided many other services such as transitional housing, counseling for families and victims of addiction, even aid for stranded travelers, but over the past five years as Parent Pathways has been honing in on providing holistic, proven services to the teen family, and the new name reflects that focus.

Florence Crittenton Services provides a high school curriculum, counseling and parenting support for teen mothers at the Florence Crittenton School; a Qualistar-rated Early Learning Center for their babies; and a Family Engagement Center offering a comprehensive array of integrated services to help young fathers and family members support the young mother. Learn more at www.florencecrittentonco.org.

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