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Family Residences And Essential Enterprises, Inc. (Free) In Partnership With New York City Administration For Children's Services (ACS) Welcome And Encourage All Affirming Prospective LGTBQ And Ally Parents To Consider Fostering

Old Bethpage, NY (June 3, 2014) – On Thursday, June 12 at 6:00 p.m., Family Residences And Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE), in partnership with the New York City Administration for Children's Services (ACS), will be holding an LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Questioning) foster parent recruitment event at their headquarters in Old Bethpage, NY.

LGBTQ affirming families are always being sought to provide welcoming homes to LGBTQ youth in care. Affirming families are those who will welcome LGBTQ youth into their home, treat them with dignity and respect and work to meet their unique needs. You do not need to identify as LGBT yourself to become an affirming family for an LGBTQ youth.

Registration for this event is necessary and the deadline is June 5th, 2014. For additional information about this event please contact Development and Mission Advancement at (516) 870-1661 or <u>events@familyres.org</u>.

If you are interested in being matched with an LGBTQ youth, please call the ACS Parent Recruitment Hotline at (212) 676-WISH (9474).

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When:

Thursday, June 12, 2014 – 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Where:

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About Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE)

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE) founded in 1977 and headquartered in Old Bethpage, benefits and proudly supports more than 3,500 individuals with intellectual disabilities, mental illness and traumatic brain injury. It is the mission of FREE to help individuals of all abilities realize their full potential. FREE provides a diverse array of supports and services including: housing, recovery services, transition to work, employment, day, community and family services, respite, crisis services, education and after-school support, primary and specialty health care and advocacy. For more information, please call 516-870-7000 or visit www.familyres.org.

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