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LEAPS AND BOUNDS FAMILY SERVICES EXPANDS TRAINING FOR CHILDCARE PROVIDERS

Warren, MI – (October 15, 2015) Leaps and Bounds Family Services (LBFS), is pleased to announce additional funding from United Way for Southeastern Michigan and the Office of Great Start, Michigan Department of Education to train and support childcare providers.

The Early Learning Communities provides FREE training, technical support and assistance to early childhood providers in their efforts to improve their childcare programs. Childcare providers from licensed centers and homes are encouraged to participate in this free training.

The agency offers over 25 training classes monthly as well as provider network groups, resource materials and a quality improvement specialist to provide consultation and assistance.

These services are available for childcare providers in eastern Wayne, south Oakland and south Macomb counties.

“For children to be successful throughout their education, studies indicate they must enter kindergarten ready to learn. By working closely with the local childcare providers and preschool programs, the agency is able to provide supports to childcare providers to help insure that children enter kindergarten ready to learn and childcare programs provide the quality services and care “said Denise Dorsz, executive director of LBFS. The program is funded with support from the United Way for Southeastern Michigan and the Michigan Department of Education's Office of Great Start.

Details, the monthly training schedule and information regarding quality improvement can be found at the agency's website: www.leapsnbounds.org or by contacting lross@leapsnbounds.org or aletheav@leapsnbounds.org

About Leaps and Bounds Family Services.

Leaps & Bounds Family Services, established in 1988 as the Poverty and Social Reform Institute, is a private, non-profit 501(c) 3 tax-exempt organization. With support through individual and corporate contributions, United Way, foundation grants, government contracts and fees for service, Leaps and Bounds has provided early literacy and parenting through on site and home based programming, training and support for childcare providers and educational services for adults. Leaps and Bounds is open to all individuals. They have offices located in both Detroit and Warren.