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1in6 and Peace Over Violence Receive Ms. Foundation Grant to End Child Sexual Abuse

June 2, 2011 - 1in6 and Peace Over Violence, both Los Angeles based nonprofit organizations, announced that they have been jointly awarded a grant from the Ms. Foundation for Women as part of a groundbreaking effort to end child sexual abuse across the United States.

“It is a great honor and privilege to have received the MS Foundation grant and to be partnering with a preeminent organization like Peace Over Violence on such important work,” Steve LePore, Executive Director of 1in6, said.

1in6 and Peace Over Violence are two of only 15 organizations selected by the Ms. Foundation from among 250 submissions. Together, this new cohort of grantees was awarded a total of \$600,000 in grants—a significant contribution to the field of child sexual abuse prevention.

Patricia Giggans, Executive Director of Peace Over Violence, added: “We are thrilled to receive this grant and to have the opportunity to work together with 1in6, a partner in ending the silence around sexual violence in all forms.”

The awardees—local, state and national groups based in 14 states across the country—include faith-based, arts, domestic violence and survivor-led groups as well as sexual assault coalitions and child abuse prevention organizations.

“In awarding these funds, we are proud to support an emerging movement to end child sexual abuse that is taking root nationwide,” says Monique Hoeflinger, senior program officer at the Ms. Foundation for Women. “From working within Native American and religious communities, to advocating for new federal policies, to using art as a catalyst for social change, these organizations are pursuing innovative strategies to engage families, communities and policymakers to end child sexual abuse once and for all.”

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