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## RE: Cease and Desist Unlicensed Human Services Program

This letter is to inform you that the Utah Department of Human Service, Office of Licensing (the "Office") has received information that you have been operating an unlicensed human services program at 163 E. 7800 S. in Midvale, Utah in violation of Utah Code Section 62A-2-116(1). A review of the Office's licensed facility files indicates that the Office has not issued a license for a human services program facility at 163 E. 7800 S., Midvale, Utah. Through site visits and interviews from other sources, it has been determined by the Office that you have been operating an unlicensed human services program without the proper licensure as required by state law. These services, as defined in 62A-2-101(40), are required to be licensed by the Office.

Utah Code Section 62A-2-108(1) states, "[e]xcept as provided in Section 62A-2-110, an individual, agency, firm, corporation, association, or governmental unit acting severally or jointly with any other individual, agency, firm, corporation, association, or governmental unit may not establish, conduct, or maintain a human services program in this state without a valid and current license issued by and under the authority of the office as provided by this chapter and the rules under the authority of this chapter.

Utah Code Section 62A-2-116(1)(a) states, "[a] person who owns, established, conducts, maintains, manages, or operates a human services program in violation of [Utah Human Services Code] is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if the violation endangers or harms the health, welfare, or safety of persons participating in that program."

Utah Code Section 62A-2-115 states, "[i]n addition to, and notwithstanding, any other remedy provided by law the department may, in a manner provided by law and upon the advice of the attorney general, who shall represent the department in the proceedings, maintain an action in the name of the state for injunction or other process against any person or governmental unit to restrain or prevent the establishment, management, or operation of a human services program or facility in violation of this chapter or rules established under this chapter." The fact that you have been providing these services without the proper clearances and licensure constitutes an endangerment to the public. Therefore, continued operation without a license may result in criminal prosecution as described in the law.

You are hereby on notice that you must cease to operate the unlicensed human services program at 163 E. 7800 S, Midvale. Failure to do so may result in legal action being brought against you or your program.

If you are in need of technical assistance, you may contact the office at 801-538-4242 and ask to speak with an intake licensing specialist or email <u>licenseapps@utah.gov</u>. You may also find helpful information on our web page at <u>www.hslic.utah.gov</u>, which includes an explanation of the application process and all necessary forms.

Sincerely,

Amanda Slater, Director

Office of Licensing

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