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FWCA Announces W.K. Kellogg Foundation Grant Award

For Immediate Release

St. Louis, April 6, 2018: Family and Workforce Centers of America today announced their receipt of a demonstration grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation that will help workforce development and employment services within American Job Centers.

The **Advancing Career Pathway Employment Outcomes Thru the American Job Centers/WIBs via Cross-Sector Partners and a Family Centered Approach project** is funded by a \$585,728 grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan.

The grant is being funded to help strengthen employment outcomes for vulnerable job seekers through a pilot that structurally modifies workforce development and employment services in AJCs in both Missouri and Kentucky by integrating family strengthening tools, approaches, and coaching.

"FWCA continuously strives to improve and strengthen all of its services for its families," said Carolyn Seward, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Family and Workforce Centers of America.

"FWCA and its partners deliver customized training, employment, and family strengthening services to move towards family economic success. All programs have performance measures that demonstrate our commitment to both the customers and the overall advancement of all our communities," Seward noted. FWCA is in its sixth year of helping develop stronger families and communities through their programs and services.

Efforts will focus on using the AJCs workforce services as a platform to structurally modify the AJC system to integrate family strengthening tools into existing training and employment services that will help change the face of human service agencies.

Family and Workforce Centers of America anticipates that this grant will help families find ways to become stronger and more economically stable.

Headquartered in St. Louis, MO, Family and Workforce Centers of America is one of the nation's leading workforce development specializing in and Integrated Service Delivery Approach. To learn more about the mission and programs FWCA offers visit us at <https://www.fwca-stl.com/>.



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About the FWCA

Family and Workforce Centers of America (FWCA) is a 501 (c)3, was established July of 2011 in St. Louis Missouri. FWCA is dedicated to enhancing the lives of youth and adults in need of family strengthening and workforce services.

FWCA's team has over 75 years of combined experience planning, building, and managing family strengthening and workforce development programs. FWCA leadership has managed Department of Labor and Department of Health and Human Services programs since 1998 and collaborates with many public and private entities.

FWCA currently has 23 programs and services that provide additional tools for job seekers that walk through our doors. For more information, visit www.fwca-stl.org.

About the W.K. Kellogg Foundation

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF), founded in 1930 as an independent, private foundation by breakfast cereal pioneer, Will Keith Kellogg, is among the largest philanthropic foundations in the United States. Guided by the belief that all children should have an equal opportunity to thrive, WKKF works with communities to create conditions for vulnerable children so they can realize their full potential in school, work and life.

The Kellogg Foundation is based in Battle Creek, Michigan, and works throughout the United States and internationally, as well as with sovereign tribes. Special emphasis is paid to priority places where there are high concentrations of poverty and where children face significant barriers to success. WKKF priority places in the U.S. are in Michigan, Mississippi, New Mexico and New Orleans; and internationally, are in Mexico and Haiti. For more information, visit www.wkkf.org