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CENTINELA YOUTH SERVICES INC RECEIVES \$350,000 FROM CORRECTIONS STANDARDS AUTHORITY FOR RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CENTER PROJECT

HAWTHORNE – On November 10, 2011, the Corrections Standards Authority (CSA) Board approved the funding recommendations of the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and awarded Centinela Youth Services, Inc. (CYS), a non-profit organization that provides mediation services in the South Bay and South LA County, a grant in the amount of \$350,000 for the Restorative Justice Center project.

The funding will be used to support the referral of youth offenders to the Restorative Justice Center in addition to mediation and other services. The Restorative Justice Center will open in 2012 and will be located across the street from the Inglewood Juvenile Courts. The Restorative Justice Center will coordinate with the Courts, LAPD, Inglewood PD, Hawthorne PD, LA County Sheriffs, Probation and the South Bay Workforce Investment Board. Jan Vogel, CEO, Centinela Youth Services stated; “We are grateful to CSA for this much needed funding which will divert more than 1,200 south LA teens from the juvenile justice system into rehabilitative programs”.

The Restorative Justice Center will operate under the principals of restorative justice, which are proven effective in reducing recidivism through mediation services that bring victims, youth offenders and community volunteer mediators together to learn from and repair the harm caused by crimes.

For more information on the Restorative Justice Center please call Jan Vogel at (310) 970-7702.

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