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Family & Youth's Equine Facilitated Service Program Earns National Recognition with Innovative Changemaker Award



Pictured L to R: Teresa Huizar, CEO of National Children's Alliance and Julio Galán, President & CEO of Family & Youth

LAKE CHARLES – Julio Galán, President & CEO of Family & Youth, was awarded the Innovative Changemaker Award from the National Children's Alliance at their Leadership Conference in Washington D.C., in recognition of Family & Youth's Equine Facilitated Services Program.

As an adjunct to traditional counseling through the Shannon Cox Counseling Center, a Division of Family & Youth, Equine Facilitated Services (EFS) utilize horse assisted services to address trauma for child victims of abuse and neglect.

National Children's Alliance (NCA) is a professional membership organization on a mission to make one big difference, one child at a time. Reaching everyone with a voice in eradicating abuse—families, advocates, partner agencies, communities, researchers, and all the way to Capitol Hill—our members power a national movement to keep children safe. Featuring the largest network of care centers supporting child abuse victims in the country, NCA is a model in outcome-driven collaboration.

Family & Youth, an award-winning and family-serving nonprofit organization, was established in 1970. It is the mission of Family & Youth to provide affordable and professional support through programs and services dedicated to advocacy, counseling, and education for the people of Southwest Louisiana and in communities they are called to serve. It is the belief of Family & Youth that all individuals and communities possess the ability to solve their own challenges when support of available. For more information about Family & Youth, visit www.fyca.org, or like Family & Youth on Facebook. For experienced professional assistance, contact Family & Youth at 337-436-9533.

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