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**Increasing the capacity of families to effectively care for their children.
Serving the parishes of Tangipahoa, Livingston, St. Helena, St. Tammany and Washington**

This year has been filled with trials and tribulations for all families in the Florida Parish region. In March there was the “500” year flood which caused a tremendous amount of loss for all involved. Then, in August another flood just as devastating happened. Those families who were just returning to their rebuilt or repaired home were hit again. Others, who had not flooded in March, were forced to leave their homes and lost all of their possessions and many lost their homes. School had just started and many schools were flooded which caused children to be sent to other schools in which they were not familiar. These incidents cause increased anxiety, stress and emotional pain to entire families. Parents found themselves trying to cope with finding living arrangements and many were forced to go into shelters. These types of circumstances increase the need for therapeutic counseling for children and their families.

The New Horizons Youth Service Bureau has been providing therapeutic interventions for children and their families for 40 years, Referrals have already increased since the two flooding events occurred. Parents are having difficulty in providing basic needs for their children and when parents are stressed so are their children. The NHYS is dedicated to providing services such as providing counseling, seeking out resources for families to access with the long term goal of keeping families together.

It is that time again to launch the New Horizons Youth Service Bureau 100-4-100 campaign we are asking 100 individuals to donate \$100. during this campaign. This donation helps us to continue to provide quality services to families in our community

NHYSB has served thousands of Florida Parishes children and families each year for the past 40 years. Already in the year 2016 we have served 84 families consisting of 256 individual members. The success rate of keeping these families together is 95%. We also leave these families with a much better understanding of their children and knowledge of how to increase effective parenting.

We also delivered Christmas presents to 120 children and Easter baskets to another 50 families. But we would not have been able to do this without the generosity of people like you. We are sure the need will be greater this year.

Your \$100.00 donation could supply 6 children with school supplies, feed a family of 5 for a week or buy shoes for 4 of the children we serve. Please visit our website at www.youthservicebureau.org. Please accept our invitation to join us in providing to today's children and families by sending a contribution to:

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Your kindness during this holiday season will effect families throughout the Florida Parish region. If you are in the area, please stop by to see us!

Sincerely,

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