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Georgia Department of Early and Learning Awards Licensure to Joshua House After-School Program

Macon, Georgia (June 13, 2007) Out & Up, Inc was awarded its license to operate Joshua House After-School Program from the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning. This license was awarded after an intense commitment by the Board and staff to gain these credentials. The license will allow Joshua House to serve up to 50 children ages 5-14 in their program. The license also allows other benefits including independent oversight and monitoring to ensure that quality services are provided. Being a licensed child care provider will also allow the staff to participate in training designed to strengthen its services and staff credentials.

The program has a nominal service fee and is also eligible to receive the child care subsidy available through the Department of Family & Children Services. The program is a collaborative effort which utilizes resources from Macon Housing Authority and Mercer University. Ms. Tracey Muff, Bibb County elementary school teacher, is the director of Joshua House.

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The mission of Out & Up, Inc. is to provide services to the community that will enhance its physical, educational, emotional and spiritual development.