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Crystal Stairs, Inc. Hosts Community Think Tank

LOS ANGELES – Thursday, October 29 – Earlier this month, Crystal Stairs, Inc., gathered nearly 50 advocates, education professionals and agency partners from throughout Los Angeles County, to identify ways this group would collectively continue to play an active role in strengthening parents.

Through a new program initiative, Crystal Stairs hosted a Think Tank, to spur conversations about the lives of families in the communities served by the agency and the participating organizations. Over breakfast, community advocates discussed parental access to educational, career, parent and community resources, as well as life skills. Crystal Stairs CEO, Jackie B. Majors said, “the organization was honored to bring this diverse group of leaders, educators and community stakeholders to the table.”

“Crystal Stairs serves many of Los Angeles County’s most vulnerable children and families,” said Majors. “We gathered these thought partners together, to identify ways in which we could collectively enhance the services we provide our families. When parents are stronger, children’s outcomes are better. Opportunities such as this Think Tank help us increase those chances.”

One way Crystal Stairs is tackling this vital topic, is through the launch of a new Parent Support Services Program, designed to support, train and equip parents with the skills needed to increase their odds of reaching self-sufficiency and recognizing their full potential. The Crystal Stairs Parent Support Program provides essential resources and enhanced support services for parents to assist them in strengthening their families. In February 2016, the Parent Support Services Program will host its first Parent Resource Family Fair, offering free workshops in a number of critical areas needed to continue training and equipping parents.

About Crystal Stairs: Crystal Stairs is a Los Angeles-based nonprofit child care and development organization whose mission is to improve the lives of families through child care services, research and advocacy. Guided by our mission and values, our purpose is to promote empowerment and self-sufficiency, helping families ascend the metaphoric staircase of life. For more information on Crystal Stairs, please visit www.crystalstairs.org

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