MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into this 5th day of June 2006, by and between the State of Illinois, acting through the Illinois State Board of Education and hereinafter called the "State" and A Hand Up Recovery Homes, N.F.P.,

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the State has the duty to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois State Board of Education sets educational policies and guidelines for public and private schools, preschool through grade 12, as well as vocational education, and analyzes the aims, needs and requirements of education and recommends legislation to the General Assembly and Governor for the benefit of the more than 2 million school children in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, A Hand Up Recovery Homes, N.F.P., provides pre- and post-school care that is a critical element to childhood development; and

WHEREAS, the parties shall enter into a grant or award agreement, subject to compliance with all applicable State law and necessary certifications, on the basis of the following terms, among others:

The State agrees:

1. To provide A Hand Up Recovery Homes, N.F.P., a total of $15,000 for after school and social service programming.

A Hand Up Recovery Homes, N.F.P., agrees:

2. To meet all duties and obligations imposed by state law respecting non-federal-aid projects;

3. To promptly pay all contractors engaged in projects undertaken pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding; and

4. To assume the responsibility for the funded services.

The parties mutually agree:

5. That, with respect to the State funding, project initiation will be the responsibility of A Hand Up Recovery Homes, N.F.P., and is to be coordinated with the State.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, State and A Hand Up Recovery Homes N.F.P. caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed by their authorized representatives on the 16th day of June 2006.

FOR A HAND UP RECOVERY HOMES N.F.P.

[Signature]

Wilbert Cook
A Hand Up Recovery Homes N.F.P.

FOR THE STATE

[Signature]

Dr. Randy Byrd
State Superintendent
Illinois State Board of Education.