



25th Annual Conference – October 22-24, 2009

Hilton Alexandria Old Town

Alexandria, Virginia

AGENDA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22 2009

9:00 – 1:00 pm	CSIET Board Meeting	Madison
1:00 pm	Exhibitor Set-Up	Grand Ballroom Foyer
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration and Check-In	Marble Foyer
2:00 – 6:00 pm	Exhibits Open	Grand Ballroom Foyer
2:00 – 5:00 pm	<u>CSIET Program Quality and Student Safety Taskforce Workshop</u> <i>The Taskforce will lead a community discussion on their work and findings to provide a foundation for conference sessions.</i>	Salon A
	Overview of the Youth Exchange Community and the Current Placement Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Elizabeth Davis, Chief, Youth Programs Division, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of Stateo John Doty, Chair, CSIET Taskforce on Program Quality and Student Safety	
	Community Review of the Placement Cycle <i>Taskforce members, programs members will lead a discussion on the cycle and challenges that arose this year. CSIET staff will report on the results of a recent survey on the placement cycle.</i>	
	Cross-Sector View on Student Safety for Youth Serving Organizations/Entities <i>CSIET is reaching out to other youth-serving non-profits to share best practices on student safety across sectors.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Kristen D. Anderson, Director, Case Analysis Division, National Center for Missing & Exploited Childreno Gary L. Carroll, II, District Executive: Montgomery District PMI Camp Director, National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of Americao Dawn Daly, Supervisor, Background Checks Unit, National Center for Missing & Exploited Children	
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Pre-Conference Exhibitor Sessions <i>These sessions will provide conference attendees and exhibitors the opportunity to learn of new products and services relative to youth exchange programs.</i>	
	4:00 - 4:30 pm – IntelliCorp Records, Inc.	Salon B
	4:30 – 5:00 pm – The Harbour Group and Compass Benefits Group	Salon B
6:00 – 7:30 pm	Welcome Reception <u>Opening Address</u> <i>The Honorable Robert P. Casey, Jr. (invited)</i> <i>United State Senator</i>	Salon C

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2009

8:00 – 9:00 am	Continental Breakfast Buffet	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 – 10:30 am	Concurrent Workshop Crisis Management Planning Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Helen Lowman, Vice President, AFS-USA <p><i>A review of crisis management procedures to provide programs with strategies and techniques for responsible program management when the unexpected occurs.</i></p> Host Family and Local Representative Screening Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Libby Cryer, President, PAX – Program of Academic Exchange• John Doty, President, Pacific Intercultural Exchange• Gwen Vitzthum, Operations Manager, Center for Cultural Interchange <p><i>Program community representatives will lead a discussion on effective screening mechanisms for host families and local representatives. Attendees will break into smaller groups to examine case studies and share best practices.</i></p>	Salon A Salon B
10:30 – 11:00 am	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30 am	Concurrent Workshops Media Relations: Building Effective Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chris Lukach, Account Manager, Anne Klein Communications Group• Mike Gross, Account Manager, Anne Klein Communications Group <p><i>A review of media strategies, including messaging and position statements; interview and press engagement; and proactive media outreach plans. Attendees will also break into smaller groups to examine case studies and share best practices.</i></p> Local Representative Training and Supervision Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sherry Carpenter, Executive Director, AYUSA Global Youth Exchange• Helen Lowman, Vice President, AFS-USA• Melanie French, President, AIFS Foundation <p><i>Program community representatives will lead a discussion on local representative training and programs can enhance supervision techniques. Attendees will also break into smaller groups to examine case studies and share best practices.</i></p>	Salon A Salon B
12:30 – 2:00 pm	Closing Luncheon Presentation Rita Golden Gelman, Author <i>Tales of a Female Nomad</i> Founder, Let's Get Global <p><i>Ms. Gelman will share her experiences as a "Female Nomad" and introduce a new outreach initiative – Let's Get Global – she launched to popularize the concept of American high school students traveling and studying abroad. For more information on this movement, visit Rita's blog at: www.BirthofaMovement.org.</i></p>	Salon C
2:00 pm	Conference Adjourns	