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February 5, 2010

Senator Ben Nelson
United States Senate
720 Hart Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Nelson,

The Child Advocacy Center is requesting earmarked funding for our expanded facility in Northeast Lincoln. The number of children and non-offending family members served by the Child Advocacy Center continues to grow. The new facility will provide additional interview rooms, handicapped accessibility and confidential meeting space for our advocates to meet with family members. The new facility also provides for co-location of law enforcement and child protective services on-site to enhance communication and cooperation across agency lines. The earmarked funding requesting would provide for necessary equipment and furniture for the project as well as construction for co-location.

The Child Advocacy Center is a non-profit organization with broad community support. While the total cost of the project outlined above is \$3.2 million dollars, we have raised \$2.4 from private donations within the community. We strongly believe that this project is deserving of federal support and request your assistance in moving this project forward.

Sincerely,

Lynn Ayers
Executive Director