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LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA INVITES ALL TO CELEBRATE ITS 100 YEAR JOURNEY

Tickets Now Available to Passport to the World: Celebrating 100 Years of Serving Boldly

November 7, 2017 (Washington, DC): Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area (LSS/NCA) today announced the availability of tickets to the culminating event of the organization's centennial year. *Passport to the World*, an exclusive event celebrating the diversity, hopes and dreams of the DC community, will be held on Thursday, March 1, 2018 at the stunning American Institute of Architects building located at 421 7th St. NW. Event tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at <u>Issnca.org/passport-to-the-world</u>.

Guests attending **Passport to the World** will find themselves immersed in a colorful and interactive international market featuring the tastes, entertainment and cultures of a selection of countries from which LSS/NCA-supported refugee and immigrant families have migrated. The event will serve as a poignant reminder of the people and families LSS/NCA has supported for the past century through the combined efforts of its staff, volunteers, local congregations and partnerships with service organizations and the private sector.

"In 2017 alone, we helped 1,585 refugees and immigrants find new homes and employment, we found families for over 100 neglected and abused children in foster care, and we provided supportive services to over 107 youth and adults affected by HIV/AIDS," explains Christine Connell, Chief Executive Officer of LSS/NCA. "If that wasn't reason enough to celebrate, let's also consider that we've been boldly serving those in need for a century. This is our opportunity to thank all of those who came before us, as we link arms in solidarity with those who will take us into our next century."

Event tickets to **Passport to the World** can be purchased through the LSS/NCA website at <u>Issnca.org/passport-to-the-world</u> for \$195(US) per-person and are tax deductible up to \$100 per ticket. Group tickets, as well as various event sponsorship packages are also currently available. Information on tax deductible sponsorships is available by contacting Katherine Jagow, LSS/NCA Corporate and Foundation Relations Manager at JagowK@LSSNCA.org.

About LSS/NCA

Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area (LSS/NCA) has devoted a century to SERVING BOLDLY, offering hope and mobilizing communities to serve the most vulnerable among us. LSS/NCA is a registered 501c3 nonprofit organization that serves approximately 2,000 families and children in crisis throughout the Greater Metro-DC region through Children's Services and Refugee & Immigrant Services. LSS/NCA does not discriminate on the basis of ethnicity, age, race, creed, gender, or sexual orientation.

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