



## The Department of Homeland Security Awards FY21 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant to Tuesday's Children

*Marking 20 Years of Service in 2021, the Nonprofit with the Mission to Support Those Impacted by Terrorism, Military Conflict and Mass Violence Awarded Nearly \$600,000 by DHS*

**Manhasset, NY – September 29, 2021** – [Tuesday's Children](#) was awarded a grant by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) of \$598,421, under the Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21) Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP) Grant Program. The TVTP Grant Program is managed by DHS's Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3) and is the only federal grant program dedicated to enhancing the capabilities of local communities to prevent targeted violence and terrorism. This year's grant program prioritized the prevention of domestic violent extremism, including through efforts to counter online radicalization and mobilization to violence. Both DHS and Tuesday's Children were founded in the aftermath of September 11, 2001, and both continue in its individual missions into the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary year.

"Domestic violent extremism and targeted violence pose significant and persistent threats to our homeland," said **Secretary Alejandro N. Mayorkas**. "Attacks on schools, houses of worship, workplaces, and public gatherings threaten Americans' lives and inflict trauma on our communities. The Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program prioritizes investments that empower and equip communities across our country to prevent acts of violence before they occur."

"We are honored to be a DHS grantee, which will help to continue our ongoing mission and provide long-term healing and resilience-building support to communities and individuals impacted by terrorism, military conflict, and mass violence throughout the U.S., whether it's in Pittsburgh, Parkland, Las Vegas, Newtown, Aurora, and many other communities. In addition, this funding will increase the impact of Project COMMON BOND, which since 2008 has convened youth from 34 countries around the globe, including Afghanistan, Israel, Haiti, Pakistan, Palestine, Republic of Congo, Syria, Sudan and beyond, to promote peace and dignity," **Terry Sears, Executive Director of Tuesday's Children**.

Tuesday's Children will enhance local and regional prevention frameworks by building resilience, common bonds and long-term healing in families and communities impacted by and at risk for radicalization to terrorism and targeted violence. To accomplish this, Tuesday's Children will leverage an evidence-based Long-Term Healing Model, TuesdaysChildrenHeals.org online toolkit for community resilience, and the peacebuilding initiative "[Project COMMON BOND](#)" to promote peer-to-peer support, amplify survivor narratives and share best practices and lessons learned in community-based disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. This project will also build the capacity of community and civic leaders, service providers, public and private sector stakeholders, academic institutions, volunteers, and activists to prepare resilient responses to mass-scale and targeted violence, including mass shootings and domestic terrorism.

Through a combination of Tuesday's Children's annual Lessons in Recovery and Resilience Forum, professional speaker series, train-the-trainer sessions, virtual programming, public education campaigns,

and conflict resolution programming for youth, the organization will enhance critical thinking and civic engagement among communities at-risk for and recovering from terrorism and targeted violence.

Marking its 20<sup>th</sup> year of dedicated service in September 2021, Tuesday's Children has provided support to over 42,000 individuals impacted by terrorism, military conflict, and mass violence, including supportive services to build resilience in 3,051 children who lost a parent on 9/11; thousands of 9/11 responder families; and 37,000+ families grieving the death of post-9/11 military service members; 6,000+ youth served through their [Career Resource Center](#); and 900+ young adults from 34 countries with Project COMMON BOND.

For more information, visit [www.tuesdayschildren.org](http://www.tuesdayschildren.org) or follow Tuesday's Children on Facebook [@TuesdaysChildren](#) and Twitter and Instagram [@TuesdaysChldrn](#).

For more information, including a full list of grant awards, please visit the [TVTP Grant Program website](#).

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### **ABOUT TUESDAY'S CHILDREN**

Tuesday's Children provides a lifetime of healing for families who have been forever changed by terrorism, military conflict, or mass violence. Through a time-tested, long-term approach, Tuesday's Children programming serves and supports our nation's Military Families of the Fallen; builds resilience and common bonds in communities worldwide recovering from tragedies; and keeps the promise to support all those impacted by Tuesday, September 11th. For more information, please visit [www.tuesdayschildren.org](http://www.tuesdayschildren.org).

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