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REFERRAL FORM

Thank you for your interest in referring a youth to POETIC.
POETIC is an in-community aftercare program for youth who have experienced child maltreatment, commercial sexual exploitation or sex trafficking. In order to be accepted to our program, the youth must meet our inclusionary criteria and be willing to participate in POETIC programming. All services are provided at no cost to youth and families.

Inclusionary Criteria

- Female or transgender female (for Juvenile Justice Only)
- Ages 12 – 18 (at the time of referral)
- History of child maltreatment or neglect, exploitation or trafficking

Please note: POETIC is an outpatient facility. A level of stability is required for this level of care.

Exclusionary Criteria

- Severity of substance use requires residential drug treatment or substance-use focused treatment
- History of self-harm or suicidal ideation/attempt requiring hospitalization in the past month
- No history of child maltreatment or abuse
- Unwillingness to engage in services

Who is making the referral? (please detail relationship to youth and your contact info):

Referral Source/Program: ☐ Juvenile Justice Department   ☐ Unaccompanied Minors

☐ Child Protective Services (Circle One: Evaluation/Screener or Therapeutic Services)

Youth Name: _____   DOB: _____   Age: _____

Address: _____

Youth Phone Number : _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Number: _____

Please check the box(es) you are recommending:

☐ **trauma therapy** — POETIC Trauma Therapy: Every POETIC girl receives a therapist who is trained in trauma-treatment with direct access 24/7.   POETIC girls participate in individual, group and family DBT therapy and trauma-exposure therapy with licensed therapists.

☐ **creative arts** — POETIC Creative Arts Studio: Through art therapy, POETIC girls use their voices and reclaim their narratives through creative mediums that build self-identity, self-value and self-love.

☐ **school for girls** — POETIC School for Girls: Our on-site homeschool provides individualized education for girls to receive a high school diploma or GED. For girls attending public school, POETIC provides educational advocacy to ensure proper assessment and provision of accommodations.

☐ **Design Co** — POETIC Design Co: We believe in empowering our girls to find their unique career path through our POETIC Design Studio and POETIC storefront. POETIC girls are exposed to job opportunities that are fostering the development of the next generation of entrepreneurs, designers, accountants, and CEOs in North Texas.

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Please provide a brief history of the youth's **history of child maltreatment or neglect, exploitation or trafficking:**

Placement and Support: Please provide a description of youth's current placement (E.g., detention, group home, family), Who has custody? Is there anyone whom we are not permitted to contact (E.g., limits on contact between youth and bio parent)? Please detail any other services the youth and/or family are involved with.

Other Support Services Contact Information: (E.g., previous therapy, psychiatrist, advocate, case worker). Please include name, number and email address.

Current Risk Factors: Please provide a summary of any behaviors of concern we should know about (E.g., medication no—compliance, history of self-harm or suicide, aggression towards others, currently "in the life," pregnant, homelessness or running away behavior, substance use, or truancy).

Make a Referral

STEP 1: Send referral form and psychological/medical evaluations to referrals@iampoetic.org.
Only complete packets will be reviewed for consideration.
STEP 2: Once full packet is received, we will reach out to youth and/or guardian (if applicable) for phone interview
STEP 3: A face-to-face intake will be conducted to assess treatment fit and engagement