

## Truth in Testimony Disclosure Form

In accordance with Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5)\* of the *Rules of the House of Representatives*, witnesses are asked to disclose the following information. Please complete this form electronically by filling in the provided blanks.

Committee: House Ways and Means

Subcommittee: Worker and Family Support Subcommittee

Hearing Date: 05/05/2021

Hearing Title :

Making A Difference for Families and Foster Youth

Witness Name: Sharon E. Pierce

Position/Title: Immediate Past President & CEO, The Villages of Indiana

Witness Type:  Governmental  Non-governmental

Are you representing yourself or an organization?  Self  Organization

If you are representing an organization, please list what entity or entities you are representing:

I have just retired (April 19, 2021) as the President & CEO of The Villages of Indiana, where I served in that role for 29 years. I currently am continuing to assist with the transition process; and also serve as an Executive Scholar of Children's Home Society of America and serve as a Peer Reviewer for Prevent Child Abuse America.

### FOR WITNESSES APPEARING IN A NON-GOVERNMENTAL CAPACITY

Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

Are you a fiduciary—including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent—of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing? If so, please list the name of the organization(s) or entities.

I am no longer on the Board of Directors of The Villages of Indiana, but am serving as a consultative resource for the organization. I do not have fiduciary responsibilities, at this time for The Villages or the other organizations I am a part of.

**Please list any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) related to the hearing's subject matter that you, the organization(s) you represent, or entities for which you serve as a fiduciary have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the source and amount of each grant or contract.**

The Villages of Indiana is a Licensed Child Placing Agency, licensed by the Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) , Indiana's state child welfare agency. The Villages is reimbursed, by DCS , based on the number of therapeutic foster children we serve each year. In 2020, The Vilages served 722 different foster children for an approximate total of \$12.5 Million in reimbursement. The Villages also served 632 Youth again out fo foster care, through a contract with DCS, receiving \$2.7 Million in Chaffee Independent Living Funds.

**Please list any contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government and related to the hearing's subject that you, the organization(s) you represent, or entities for which you serve as a fiduciary have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the amount and country of origin of each contract or payment.**

None, Not Applicable

**Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.**

- I have attached a written statement of proposed testimony.
- I have attached my curriculum vitae or biography.

\* Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5), of the U.S. House of Representatives provides:  
(5)(A) Each committee shall, to the greatest extent practicable, require witnesses who appear before it to submit in advance written statements of proposed testimony and to limit their initial presentations to the committee to brief summaries thereof.  
(B) In the case of a witness appearing in a non-governmental capacity, a written statement of proposed testimony shall include— (i) a curriculum vitae; (ii) a disclosure of any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government, received during the past 36 months by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness and related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (iii) a disclosure of whether the witness is a fiduciary (including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent) of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing.  
(C) The disclosure referred to in subdivision (B)(ii) shall include— (i) the amount and source of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof) related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (ii) the amount and country of origin of any payment or contract related to the subject matter of the hearing originating with a foreign government.  
(D) Such statements, with appropriate redactions to protect the privacy or security of the witness, shall be made publicly available in electronic form 24 hours before the witness appears to the extent practicable, but not later than one day after the witness appears.

**False Statements Certification**

Knowingly providing material false information to this committee/subcommittee, or knowingly concealing material information from this committee/subcommittee, is a crime (18 U.S.C. § 1001). This form will be made part of the hearing record.

*Sharon C. Perez*

Witness signature

*May 5th, 2021*

Date

