

**THE FREDDIE MAC FOUNDATION WEDNESDAY'S CHILD PROGRAM
PARTNERS WITH EDUCATION SERVICES COMPANY**

Ashley Tutors Marks Second Year Offering Free Tutoring

Washington (DC), December 16, 2011—Freddie Mac Foundation Wednesday's Child program prepares to continue its work with Ashley Tutors in 2012. Ashley Tutors provides complimentary education services for foster children, those awaiting adoption through Wednesday's Child, and those who are in the process of being adopted in the metropolitan Washington DC area.

The two organizations have worked together since 2010 and are expanding Ashley Tutors' role. In the past two years, the Washington-based education services company has tutored almost ten children at no charge to the program or its sponsors. Ashley Tutors plans to provide an additional 100 tutoring hours in 2012 at no charge.

"We were so grateful when Ashley Tutors approached us to provide tutoring services to area foster children at no charge," said Kamilah Bunn, Program Manager for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, the organization that coordinates the Freddie Mac Foundation Wednesday's Child for the DC area. "After their tutors began working with our children, we received praise from social workers, foster parents, adoptive parents, and mentors about the improvements the children were making in school."

Ashley Tutors' CEO Joshua Chernikoff agrees. "We founded the company based on the concept that *learning is very entertaining*. We see proof of that every day because stress melts away from a child when they understand their schoolwork," he said. "We are happy to help ease any burden felt by the Wednesday's Child participants. Washington is our hometown, and helping children is our core principle. We're honored to be part of the Wednesday's Child program."

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About Ashley Tutors:

Ashley Tutors is an education services company based in Washington, DC. Over the last five years, CEO Joshua Chernikoff and a team of dozens of tutors have helped more than 1,200 DC area families achieve academically. The company has also introduced multiple, unique public-private partnerships that allow local schools to continue to offer programs now threatened by budget constraints. For more information, visit <http://www.ashleytutors.com>.

About The Freddie Mac Foundation Wednesday's Child:

The Freddie Mac Foundation Wednesday's Child program has helped find adoptive homes for more than 2000 children in foster care. Since 1992, the Freddie Mac Foundation has partnered with local news stations and child welfare organizations to find permanent, loving families for hard-to-place foster children. The program currently airs in 5 cities: DC, Atlanta, Los Angeles, NYC, and Philadelphia.