

February 9, 2022

Stacie LeBlanc, JD, MEd Chief Executive Officer The UP Institute

Dear Ms. LeBlanc,

I am delighted to let you know that **you have been selected as the 2022 winner of the Distinguished Contribution to Child Advocacy Award** by the Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice! The Awards Committee was impressed with your decades of advocacy on behalf of children and promotion of policies and programs to prevent violence against children. Thank you for all you have done throughout your career to protect the most vulnerable and to work toward childhoods free from violence.

We are pleased to offer you a \$500 honorarium along with this award. We would also like to invite you to give an award address at APA Convention, which is currently scheduled to be in person in Minneapolis August 4th -6th, 2022. (We are requesting that the award ceremony and your presentation be on Saturday the 6th, but we will not be able to confirm that for several weeks). We can provide you with \$1,000 toward travel expenses to the Convention, and if your schedule allows, we would be honored if you would join our leadership team for dinner one evening in Minneapolis.

If you are able to attend Convention, we would like to include a title for your talk in the APA Program; unfortunately, APA is finalizing its program now, and so we would need your title by February 20th. You are welcome to submit a fairly broad title now and decide on the details of your talk later, but having a title in the program will make it clear to attendees that you are giving a talk in addition to receiving the Award. Please let me know as soon as you can if you will be able to attend and present.

Congratulations on being named this year's Distinguished Contribution to Child Advocacy Award Winner!

With my best wishes,

Liz Gershoff

Past-President and Awards Committee Chair, Division 37: Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice