



Jeanette Pai-Espinosa

President

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A firm believer in the power and potential of all girls and young women, Jeannette Pai-Espinosa assumed leadership of The National Crittenton Foundation (TNCF) in January of 2007.

Jeannette brings to this 132-year-old institution nearly forty years of experience in advocacy, education, public policy, strategic

communication, program development, and direct service delivery.

Jeannette began her career as a vocal advocate and activist for issues of importance to girls and women in the mid seventies, working to open doors and address gender bias. Today, she leads TNCF, which is the national umbrella for the 27 members of the Crittenton family of agencies, which provides services in 31 states and the District of Columbia. Crittenton agencies provide a comprehensive mix of gender and culturally responsive, trauma informed and specific, developmentally appropriate, strength-based services to girls and young women who are survivors of multiple forms of adverse childhood experiences and violence.

Jeannette is currently; Chair of the National Foster Care Coalition; the co-Director of the National Girls Initiative – Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U. S. Department of Justice. Additionally, she is a member of: the Advisory Committee of the Human Rights Project for Girls, the Advisory Committee for Women’s Services – SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Advisory Committee of *Family Story*, and the Advisory Board for the hope and grace fund.