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**THE JASON FOUNDATION AND SPRINGSTONE ANNOUNCE FIVE NEW AFFILIATE OFFICES**

Nashville, TN, April 1, 2015 – The Jason Foundation, Inc. (JFI), a youth suicide prevention and awareness organization, and Springstone, Inc., a provider of mental health and addiction treatment services, announced today that they will be opening five supplementary Affiliate Offices in Indiana, Ohio, and Texas. The Affiliation continues to grow with these additional facilities, and more are expected in the future.

In December of 2014, the two organizations announced an affiliation that would open Affiliate Offices within Springstone facilities across the nation. The Affiliate Offices serve as hubs where parents, teachers, guidance counselors, students, churches and other community organizations can obtain educational materials and learn about training programs available through JFI.

“We continue to be excited and optimistic in regard to our affiliation with Springstone,” said Clark Flatt, President of JFI. “These additional Affiliate Offices will be equipped with programs and materials, for the community, that are necessary to help fight against youth suicide.”

W. Earl Reed, III, stated, “The Jason Foundation provides much needed educational support to families and communities on the challenging topic of youth suicide. We are delighted and honored to be helping to advance this effort.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, suicide is the second leading cause of death for youth between the ages of 10 and 24, resulting in more than 5,200 lives lost each year. It is also one of the leading causes of PREVENTABLE death in our nation.

**About the Companies:**

The Jason Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to fighting “The Silent Epidemic” of youth suicide through educational programs for young people, educators, parents, and other community groups. JFI, headquartered in Hendersonville, TN, was founded in 1997 after the tragic death of Jason Flatt, the 16-year-old son of Clark Flatt.

For more information, or for our locations, please visit JFI’s website <http://www.jasonfoundation.com>

Springstone, Inc. is a developer and operator of behavioral health hospitals. The company, based in Louisville, KY, provides mental health and substance abuse treatment to adults and adolescents through eight hospitals located in Texas, Ohio and Indiana. The company has three additional hospitals under construction in Arizona, Kansas and Ohio.

For more information, please see <http://www.springstone.com/>

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