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“*Meeting the Needs of Diverse Communities*” (March 17, 2017)**

**Detail information about Unaccompanied Children’s Services:** <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/programs/ucs>

**Children migrate for a number of reported reasons. Some include:**

* Flee community violence
* Escape poverty and hunger
* Reunify with family in the U.S.
* Seek educational and employment opportunities
* Escape situations of family breakdown, abuse, abandonment, and/or neglect

**Video of the work done by Family Reunification Social Workers (2:03):**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dtxpEKAszfM>

**Video of the life of an unaccompanied child in the United States (8:11):**

<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-unaccompanied-minor-20160707-premiumvideo.html>

**Video of a youth sharing his story (4:26):**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yKUXPKYk_9s>