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### **Fatherless Girls Summit Will Help Heal Wounds and Redefine Lives**

**COLUMBIA, SC (March xx, 2015)** – Global life strategist Angela Carr Patterson is kicking off her first *Fatherless Girls Summit* on June 13, 2015, at the Courtyard Columbia Downtown at the University of South Carolina in Columbia.

The one-day summit is designed to help girls 12-17 reclaim their worth, redefine who they are, and rewrite a new narrative for their lives beyond being fatherless.

“Our girls are in a crisis,” says Carr Patterson, founder of the Fatherless Daughters Network, a community that serves and supports women and girls with an unattached, emotionally unavailable, or absent father.

She points to dire statistics that plague fatherless girls: 71 percent teen pregnancies, 72 percent lower standard of living, and five times more likely to commit suicide. Fatherless girls also have a higher percentage of being seriously, and often fatally, abused.

“We cannot read statistics like this and turn away,” says Carr Patterson, who grew up without her biological father. Her 2012 novel, *I’m Not That Woman...A Fatherless Daughter’s Journey to Being*, and upcoming documentary, *I’m Not That Woman...A Fatherless Daughter’s Journey to Being*, highlight the fatherless daughter journey.

The event will answer questions from a recent fatherless girls survey and provide hands-on interactive activities, workshops, and a theatrical presentation with open panel discussions. A special guest luncheon speaker will focus on helping fatherless girls heal self-worth, self-love, and self-value wounds.

“A girl receives her identity from her father and we must address our misplaced sense of identity to heal our pain,” says Carr Patterson. “Our goal is not to attack fathers, but create a space for women and girls to move their lives forward in love, acceptance, and forgiveness.”

#### **Contact Information**

For registration details or to learn more about the Fatherless Daughters Network, please visit [www.fatherlessdaughters.net](http://www.fatherlessdaughters.net). You may also visit Angela Carr Patterson’s [website](#) for additional information.

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**About Angela Carr Patterson**

[Angela Carr Patterson](#) is the CEO and President of Oasis Promotions, LLC, a leadership and professional development company dedicated to building “New Inspired Leaders” for transformation and change in the workplace, the community, the media, and the world. Carr Patterson is a speaker, author, trainer, media personality, global life strategist, and a fatherless daughter advocate.

Over the years, Carr Patterson has worked with fatherless women and girls through several global platforms. Many of her clients live in the United States, Kenya, Switzerland, Sweden, Canada, London and India. She recognizes fatherlessness is a global issue for women and girls, often carried silently and painfully.

To contact Angela Carr Patterson about hosting a Fatherless Girls Summit in your area or to become an Angel Sponsor, visit [info@fatherlessdaughters.net](mailto:info@fatherlessdaughters.net) or call 803-920-6853.

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