



**January 27, 2012**

Dear Friends,

We have a new year, a new look and new opportunities to connect with HelpLine!

If you haven't already noticed, our website has a new look! Please visit [www.helplinedelmor.org](http://www.helplinedelmor.org) and check out all of the new features. We hope it will keep you better connected and informed as to what is happening at HelpLine. We also encourage you to make it your goal this year become a ["fan" on facebook](#) and ["follow us" on twitter](#). We strive for our social media presence to encourage the community to share their common experiences, build relationships and organizing together to bring about progress and transformation in Delaware and Morrow counties.

Our programs will continue to focus on healthier and happy futures throughout 2012. We offer a variety of valuable community services, all of which are made possible by our team of staff, board members, volunteers and supporters in the community. Below are just a few highlights of this year's happenings/commitments:

- ❖ Our support groups will continue to meet regularly to bring understanding and healing to survivors of suicide and sexual assault.
- ❖ Connections will persist as the central clearinghouse for volunteering in Delaware County but include a special initiative to recruit disaster volunteers. Information on the training workshops and registration can be found on their website: [www.delawarecountyvolunteers.org](http://www.delawarecountyvolunteers.org).
- ❖ During FY 2011 the Family and Education and Support Services worked intensively with 10 families, impacting 41 family members. The program will carry forward its purpose of providing mental health support to families or individuals coping with mental illness or behaviorally handicapped children.
- ❖ Our SARN Program is dedicated to serving survivors of sexual assault with immediate crisis intervention and referral services. We are always seeking individuals to volunteer as **SARN (Sexual Assault Response Network)** and/or **Prevention Volunteers**.
- ❖ Stewards of Children remains committed to providing important, quality violence prevention educational programming for all members of our community.
- ❖ 2-1-1 will endure as the easy-to-remember number to call for access to local community and human service information. In FY 2011, a total of 12,157 referrals were completed by our hotline!

So, with hearts full of hope and inspiration as another year passes, here is to a new year of being a force of change in our community!

Sincerely,  
Susan Hanson

## About HelpLine

HelpLine of Delaware and Morrow Counties, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization that provides a 24-hour crisis support hotline, information and referral to direct services and advocacy, and serves as the area's only volunteer center. Committed to empowering people through knowledge, support and resources, HelpLine facilitates stability and self-sufficiency through linkage to services, crisis management, and mental health related & violence prevention education in Delaware and Morrow County communities.

HelpLine is a contract provider of the Delaware-Morrow Mental Health & Recovery Services Board and partially funded by the Council for Older Adults. A United Way Agency, HelpLine is accredited by the American Association of Suicidology, National Alliance of Information & Referral Systems and certified by the Ohio Department of Mental Health. For more information, please visit: [www.HelpLinedelmor.org](http://www.HelpLinedelmor.org).

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