



## Press Release

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### **DeKalb County Community Foundation Grant** **Family Service Agency's Children's Advocacy Center**

The spring cycle of grants from the DeKalb County Community Foundation included a grant to Family Service Agency of DeKalb County, Inc. The grant of \$5,695 was for the purpose of assisting the agency with the national accreditation of the Children's Advocacy Center program.

Tim Dunlop of the DeKalb County Community Foundation board recently visited Family Service Agency presenting the check to Monique Heilemeier, Director of the Children's Advocacy Center and John Rey, Development Director.

Upgrades at Family Service Agency were needed to meet National Children's Alliance (NCA) standards. Facility improvements have been possible through the generosity of the DeKalb County Community Foundation, including a furnace replacement. An upcoming site visit from NCA will assure compliance with their standards. This accreditation gives the public assurance of the professional services available through Family Service Agency for children who have been victims of severe physical or sexual abuse.

Family Service Agency of DeKalb County is a premier social service agency, protecting and developing our children and seniors through exceptional service. Family Service Agency is comprised of five distinct departments – Big Brothers Big Sisters, Center for Counseling, Child Life & Family Education, Children's Advocacy Center and Senior Services Center. A host of programs are available through these departments, and all services are provided by experienced professionals.

Family Service Agency of DeKalb County accepts insurance, and scholarship and reduced fees are available for those who qualify. In some instances, services can be provided at no cost to the client. Family Service Agency's main office is located at 14 Health Services Drive, and satellite offices are located in DeKalb and Sandwich. Family Service Agency is a Kishwaukee United Way Agency. For more information about the services at Family Service Agency call 815-758-8616, 815-786-7079 in Sandwich, or visit their website at [www.realsolutionstoday.org](http://www.realsolutionstoday.org).

A picture attached – pictured are (l to r) Tim Dunlop, board member of DeKalb County

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Community Foundation, presents a check to Monique Heilemeier, Director Family Service Agency's Children's Advocacy Center and John Rey, Development Director – Family Service Agency. The presentation was done in the Child/Family room at the agency.



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