



INC LINKS

South Kane County Townships Working Together



Holiday Greetings from INC Board and Staff!!!

Three Year Plan Approved

The Three Year Plan for 2010-2012 was approved by the Board of Directors of the Mental Health & Mental Retardation Services, Inc. at their November 23, 2009 meeting. The plan is available online at the INC website, www.incboard.org. The Three-Year Goals and One-Year (2010) Objectives are as follows:

- Goal 1:** Review the operational aspects of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services to efficiently align local resources with the local priority of needs.
- Goal 2:** Improve mental health and substance abuse services to seniors.
- Goal 3:** Assist in the development of substance abuse services including adolescent residential and adult detox services.
- Goal 4:** Enhance services for the Latino population.
- Goal 5:** Develop a long-range plan to increase residential services for adults with developmental disabilities or mental illnesses.
- Goal 6:** Continue efforts to better coordinate mental health, developmental disability and substance abuse services county-wide.

One-Year Objectives

- Objective 1:** Review funded programs from a “local impact of local funding” perspective and report to Program Committee of the INC Board.
- Objective 2:** Facilitate a formal information, outreach and referral system focused on mental health and substance abuse needs for seniors.
- Objective 3:** Determine the availability of local resources to enhance residential and detox substance abuse services.
- Objective 4:** Facilitate a collaboration between local two- and four-year schools of higher education to recruit additional bi-lingual students into the mental health and substance abuse fields.
- Objective 5:** Complete the Latino mental health needs assessment.
- Objective 6:** Continue involvement with Kane County Mental Health Council and its committees.

Application Forms Available Online!

The Aurora Funders Consortium has its 2010-2011 application online at www.incboard.org. Agencies requesting funding from Aurora Township, Fox Valley United Way, and INC can download the application. Applications will not be accepted online. See instructions for proper submission and contacts for questions.

Community Service Award Presented to Stephanie Weber



At Suicide Prevention Services' (SPS) Harvest of Hope event on Sunday, November 22nd, Mental Health & Mental Retardation Services, Inc. Executive Director Jerry Murphy presented a 2009 Lyle E. Oncken Community Service Award to Stephanie Weber, SPS Executive Director. Surrounded by several hundred of the SPS friends and fans, Weber spoke fondly of working with Lyle Oncken on setting up the original 24/7 Crisis Line of the Fox Valley. She also recognized INC as one of the original funders for Suicide Prevention Services at its inception 10 years ago. Murphy praised Weber for her conviction and intensity in serving the residents of Kane County.

Thank you!!!

We also want to thank several board members who have found it necessary to leave our township community mental health boards. Marilyn Erdmann has served on the Batavia 708 Board for several years. Joe Croce, of our Aurora 708 Board, had to recently move out of state. And, last but not least, Donna Sauber has served on the Virgil Township 708 Board since its inception in the year 2000, but finds it necessary to leave us now. We thank Marilyn, Joe, and Donna for their years of volunteer service to their communities and wish them well. With 54 board positions to keep filled, INC staff is frequently looking for more volunteers. If you are interested, please call the INC offices at 630-892-5456. Thank you again to all of our wonderful volunteer 708 and INC Board member!

New Inc Board Member

The INC Board is pleased to announce the addition of Karen Belcher as an at-large member of the INC Board. Karen is a Big Rock resident with a great interest in mental health. We welcome her to the Board!

