

Magellan Cares Foundation provides grant awards for Delaware County non-profits

[Magellan Cares Foundation](#), a 501(c)(3) organization committed to focusing on efforts to improve access to quality healthcare and related social supports, recently awarded \$2,500 grant awards to [Family Support Line](#) and [Myra's Place](#). These two non-profit organizations, based in Delaware County, were recognized for their decades of leadership and well-established programs in the local community.

Here is some additional information on each of the organizations:

Family Support Line

For 30 years, Family Support Line has been delivering abuse prevention programs, specialized trauma intervention and coordination of the response to a report of abuse. The programs work to help children stay safer and to reach out for help sooner if abuse does occur. With headquarters in Media, Family Support Line is the regional leader in the field of child sexual abuse prevention and treatment. During FY18, their services reached over 7,200 Delaware County individuals. The following FY18 statistics illustrate the impact of this local organization:

- A 13.7% increase in the number of children served with prevention education (vs. FY17)
- Provided training to 12 school districts in Delaware County
- Attended 382 events (i.e. prevention programs, health fairs and healthy relationship groups)
- Provided nearly 2,000 teens with activity books distributed at prevention education events
- Held training for 70 mental health, law enforcement, child advocacy and criminal justice professionals to learn about best practices for the response to child abuse
- The Delaware County Children's Advocacy Center (DCCAC) served 454 children and provided 378 forensic interviews

Myra's Place

Myra's Place, with its office in Prospect Park, believes that a continuum of care followed by participation in a twelve step fellowship is the road toward successful recovery. Myra's Place is very involved with the welfare of its residents and its purpose is to see women completely change their lives by living in one of their structured homes until they are ready to move out on their own.

All of the women that reside in a Myra's Place home must attend outpatient programs and attend 12-step meetings daily. There are strict measures to help the women under the guidance of the organization's leaders, Barri Pepe and Elizabeth DiRoumaldo. A few of the requirements include:

- To report their whereabouts at all times by texting
- A 90-day probationary period to earn the right to receive a house key and have a first overnight visit with family
- No one is allowed to enter a Myra's Place home without an appointment
- All visits are staff approved and scheduled, and no boyfriends are allowed to visit the houses
- Drug testing by probation and treatment centers