

#### A sum greater than its parts

In January of 2007, the county's mental health service providers partnered to create the Kane County Mental Health Council. This alliance is dedicated to improving mental health services for children, adults and families in their communities. The alliance formed in response to community demand, and to the findings of the Kane County Health Department's IPLAN (Illinois' Project for Local Assessment of Needs).

The independent Council formed to coordinate services and to make the system more responsive by bringing together provider organizations, mental health authorities, major funders of mental health services, mental health advocacy groups and public officials.

### As member organizations...

- We are committed to providing quality mental health services for all residents of Kane County.
- We agree that our missions are closely aligned, and that collaboration on programs and projects is critical to the effective planning and delivery of mental health services to the community.
- We desire to establish a structure and process through which we can work together to develop the resources necessary to increase the capacity of the Kane County mental health service system while decreasing the fragmentation of services.

### Every Community Member Can Help:

- Educate yourself about the positive reality of recovery and mental health treatment
- Help eliminate the stigma that prevents individuals from seeking help
- Be an encouraging friend to those in need
- Help an individual's friends and family understand how they can have a beneficial impact on recovery
- Embrace mental and emotional well being by treating all people with respect
- Help develop resources in our community

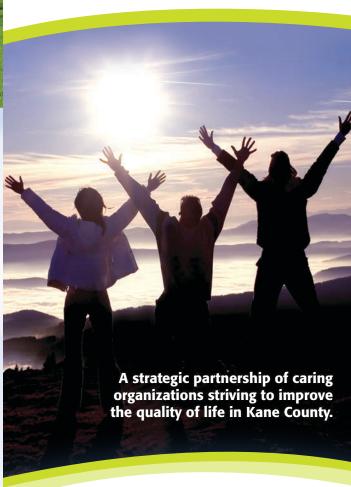
For more information about the Kane County Mental Health Council and its activities, please call 630-232-5926.

If you are seeking mental health information or treatment, please call:

Northern Kane County: 847-697-2380 Southern Kane County: 630-966-9393



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### **Working Together**

We believe that by working together, the Kane County Mental Health Council can achieve these shared objectives:

#### **Assess Needs**

Each Council member has a unique perspective of the mental health needs found within Kane County. Through a comprehensive needs assessment, we can best determine which services will offer the greatest benefits to the community, regardless of personal resources.



#### Improve Access

Networking though the Council, member organizations will create a coordinated system of care that is more easily accessible to members of the community.

#### Leverage Resources

By pooling the knowledge and insights of Kane County Mental Health Council members, we can become a path to increased resources for our community. Acting as a single voice, we can promote our shared objectives to individuals,

- The stigma that prevents individuals from

encouraging each resident to take full advantage of all mental health services available in Kane County.

#### The Kane County Mental Health Council:

- The Association for Individual Development 630-966-4000
- Aunt Martha's Youth Service Center 630-859-6562
- Delnor Community Hospital 630-208-3000
- Ecker Center for Mental Health 847-695-0484
- Family Counseling Service of Aurora 630-844-2662
- Family Service Association of Greater Elgin Area 847-695-3680
- Gateway Foundation/Aurora 630-966-7400
- Greater Elgin Family Care Center 847-608-1344
- Kane County Health Department 630-208-3801
- League of Women Voters 630-365-2138
- Inc. Board, NFP 630-892-5456
- National Alliance on Mental Illness, DeKalb, **Kane-South, Kendall Counties, Inc.** 630-896-6264
- Presence Mercy Medical Center 630-801-2657
- Presence St. Joseph Hospital 847-931-5521
- Senior Services Associates 847-741-0404
- Suicide Prevention Services 630-482-9696
- TriCity Family Services 630-232-1070
- VNA Health Care 630-978-2532

