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FRIENDS FOR LIFE GET COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT FOR CAR SEATS

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DELAWARE, Oh., Nov. 22, 2011 – More children will be riding in safety thanks to a new grant to the Delaware General Health District’s Friends for Life Fund.

The Community Foundation of Delaware County has awarded a \$2,000 grant to Friends for Life. The money will provide 16 car seats to Delaware County Children Services and promote child passenger safety among Job and Family Services clients and foster families.

Children Services investigates cases of child abuse and neglect to make sure children are protected. The duties carried out by caseworkers and foster parents include transporting children. The Community Foundation donation will help ensure that these children are riding safely.

In addition to providing two new infant seats, six booster seats, and eight convertible seats, Children Services and Job and Family Services caseworkers are receiving training on child passenger safety from Certified Car Seat Technicians working for the Health District’s Delaware County Safe Kids Coalition.

Last year, the Delaware General Health District Friends for Life Fund provided 127 car seats to the Health District’s car seat program. The car seat program checked or installed 495 seats at 18 events throughout the year. Car seat check services are free.

“We thank the Community Foundation of Delaware County for this generous support. This will help tremendously in our efforts to make sure all children on Delaware County highways are riding safely in safe seats,” said Linda Diamond, Health District development officer.

The Friends for Life Fund is a 501(c)3 organization that shares and supplements the work of the Delaware General Health District. Additional information is available online at <http://www.friendsforlifefund.org/#!>.

