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**Connections Volunteer Center Organizes  
2008 Make a Difference Day Delaware Projects**

Delaware, OH – Connections Volunteer Center will host Make a Difference Day Ohio (MDDO), America's largest day of volunteer service, on Saturday, October 25, 2008. The kickoff will include a light breakfast at 8:30 a.m. at the Delaware Area Career Center – North Campus, 610 State Route 521 in Delaware and is open to all volunteers. Those in need of projects will be assigned at this time.

Founded by USA Weekend Magazine and the Points of Light Foundation, MDDO mobilizes local volunteers to 'go out and make a difference' in their communities. Last year nearly 300 Delaware residents, businesses, schools, youth and service groups joined millions of volunteers across America in donating time and talents to better their community. This year, participants are again invited to get involved by registering their group and project with Connections.

Projects can span from one hour to all day tasks that benefit area nonprofit agencies, schools, parks and other community spaces that produce visible, positive results in one day. Additionally, Connections will also continue its partnership with Council for Older Adults to provide assistance to clients needing help with outdoor, home projects for seniors within our community.

"Planning a service project is not only a great way to spend time with family and friends, but it's a lot of fun too!" "MDDO provides a way to give back and an opportunity to learn more about their community," said Suzanne Pingry, Connections Program Manager and MDDO Coordinator.

To register your project or to obtain more information about Make a Difference Day Delaware, contact Suzanne Pingry, Connections Program Manager, at (740) 363-5000 or by e-mail at [spingry@helplinedelmor.org](mailto:spingry@helplinedelmor.org).

Together we can make a difference!

**About Connections Volunteer Center**

Connections is the central clearinghouse for volunteering in Delaware County. Founded in 1996, Connections provides the leadership, training, education and resources that support volunteers as they improve the quality of life in the Delaware community. An affiliate of HelpLine of Delaware and Morrow Counties, Inc., Connections coordinates the referral and placement of volunteers for more than 50 different agencies who offer more than 200 volunteer opportunities, while also providing services including electronic fingerprinting and background checks as part of the volunteer and employment process. For more information please visit <http://www.helplinedelmor.org/volunteer.htm>

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