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### **HelpLine 2008 Resource Directory Available**

Delaware, OH – HelpLine of Delaware and Morrow Counties, Inc. (HelpLine) announced today that the 2008 Resource Directory handbook is now available.

The annual directory is a comprehensive resource that contains more than 1,000 community and government programs that offer financial and legal assistance, volunteer opportunities and, health and human services. The most inclusive of its kind in the Delaware and Morrow County area, more than 19,000 callers to HelpLine relied on the directory in 2007.

“Many times people in need of assistance don’t know where to go or who to turn to in times of difficulty and crisis,” said Mary Damico, HelpLine Information and Referral Director. “The directory is a way to connect people in need of support and assistance with local organizations that can effectively help.”

Complete with information on eligibility, associated costs and required documentation, individuals, organizations and businesses can access a partial directory online at [www.helplinedelmor.org](http://www.helplinedelmor.org) or purchase full version copies of the handbook, CD-ROM or diskette (Windows 3.1 or higher) for \$20.00 if picked up at a HelpLine office or an additional \$3.50 if mailed.

Locating the nearest Medicaid office or finding a local food pantry, the directory provides multiple indexes by service, subject and agency contact information. Additionally, the directory is an invaluable tool for human service professionals to better assist their clients get what they need, when they need it.

“The directory is an essential resource for anyone who works directly with or for people,” said Damico. “Having accurate information readily available can save time, which is something people don’t usually have a lot of in desperate and crisis situations.”

For more information on how to access or purchase the HelpLine Resource Directory, call the HelpLine business office at 740.363.1835 or 419.946.1350.

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#### **About HelpLine**

HelpLine of Delaware and Morrow Counties, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization that provides a 24-hour crisis support hotline, information and referral to direct services and advocacy, and serves as the area’s only volunteer center. Committed to empowering people through knowledge, support and resources, HelpLine facilitates the stability and self-sufficiency of the emotional and financial needs of the Delaware and Morrow County communities. HelpLine is a contract provider of the Delaware-Morrow Mental Health & Recovery Services Board and partially funded by the Council for Older Adults. A United Way Agency, HelpLine is accredited by the American Association of Suicidology,

National Alliance of Information & Referral Systems and certified by the Ohio Department of Mental Health. For more information, please visit:  
[www.HelpLinedelmor.org](http://www.HelpLinedelmor.org).

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