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NEW OFFICE EXPANDS SUPPORT TO JERSEYVILLE-AREA CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

GRANITE CITY, ILL. (May 13, 2011)--The Southern Region of Children's Home + Aid plans to open an office in Jerseyville, Ill. May 17 to bring professional staff closer to children and families in need of counseling and other support services.

Since September 2010, two Children's Home + Aid staff have provided services to youth in the region's northern counties, including Jersey, Montgomery, Calhoun, Greene and Macoupin. These staff provide counseling to families and youth experiencing conflict at home, including youth who are at risk of leaving home. They also work with local police departments and schools to bring in-person, crisis intervention services to families in need of support.

"Our agency is continually adapting to meet the most urgent needs of families in southern Illinois," said Regional Vice President, Renae Koller. "Opening the Jerseyville office allows staff more access to residents who lack sufficient counseling services."

The office is located at 112 South State St. Suite 1, in Jerseyville, Ill., and staff may be reached at (618) 639-3005. Children's Home + Aid operates from a Regional Office in Granite City, Ill., and four other offices in Alton, Belleville, Breese, and East St. Louis.

"Raising teenagers and experiencing growing up today is not always easy," said Ms. Koller. "We know our services can help many families who are having difficulties. We are happy to be here and have been so welcomed by local police, schools, community members and, especially, families we serve."

Children's Home + Aid is a leading child and family service organization in Illinois and impacts nearly 10,000 families in the Metro East and southern Illinois each year.