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Family Service Agency Providing Child Identification Kits

It wasn't quite fall yet on September 27th, but it was a still a lovely Sunday afternoon at Hopkins Park where the City of DeKalb's Human Relations Commission sponsored a community block party from Noon-4 pm. The Family Service Agency was glad to participate in the festivities.

The event was full of fun, with music and activities for the kids. Family Service Agency set up a table where they passed out Child Identification kits for families. These kits, provided to Family Service Agency Children's Advocacy Center by Kiwanis Club of DeKalb, allow parents to keep important identification information such as finger prints, DNA samples, and a recent photograph, in a safe place in case of emergency. It is a precaution that one hopes to never need, but a precaution better taken than neglected.

These kits were also passed out at Target's National Night Out on August 4th, and most recently were distributed again on October 15th at the Internet Safety Presentation. The Internet Safety Presentation (7:00-8:30 pm at the Regional Office of Education) is sponsored by Family Service Agency Children's Advocacy Center in conjunction with the DCP/SAFE Community Violence Prevention Committee. The event will teach parents how to better protect children from computer sex offenders. It is an event about protecting the community's children, and these kits are an excellent precaution.

Family Service Agency of DeKalb County is a premier social service agency, protecting and developing children and older adults through exceptional service. Family Service Agency is comprised of five distinct departments – Big Brothers Big Sisters, Center for Counseling, Child Life & Family Education, Children's Advocacy Center and Senior Services Center. A host of programs are available through these departments, and all services are provided by experienced professionals.

Family Service Agency of DeKalb County accepts insurance, and scholarship and reduced fees are available for those who qualify. In some instances, services can be provided at no cost to the client. Family Service Agency's main office is located at 14 Health Services Drive, and satellite offices are located in DeKalb and Sandwich. Family Service Agency is a Kishwaukee United Way Agency. For more information about the services at Family Service Agency call 815-758-8616, 815-786-7079 in Sandwich, or visit their website at www.realsolutionstoday.org.

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