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Annie Malone Receives \$8,000 Grant For Teens in Transition

St. Louis, MO (June 29, 2011) – Annie Malone Children and Family Service Center received a \$8,000 grant from the St. Louis Philanthropic Organization to fund its Transitional Living Program, which provides female youth, ages 16-21 the necessary life skills to successfully transition to independent, productive adults. The program includes 24-hour supervision, guidance, counseling, medical needs, personal development and life skills training in a group home setting. A series of trainings and continuous support are presented through case management which offers participants skills in home management, budgeting and financial literacy, decision-making and problem-solving, and explores career planning and employment training options.

Additionally, the program provides structure and requires that each participant meet specific education and employment objectives. Overall, the goal is to help youth comfortably move forward and become self-sufficient after being emancipated from the state of Missouri.

“We’re thankful for the generous grant awarded by the St. Louis Philanthropic Organization which will help us continue to improve the quality of life for teens in transition,” said Angela L. Starks, Chief Executive Officer.

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About St. Louis Philanthropic Organization:

The St. Louis Philanthropic Organization is a Missouri nonprofit corporation formed in 1984 and funded with \$6 million in proceeds from the settlement of a lawsuit against cable television companies.

It is a non-governmental, not-for-profit corporation, organized charitable, benevolent, educational, civic and cultural purposes. During the past 27 years, it has distributed over \$7 million to 336 501 (c) (3) organizations.

About Annie Malone:

Annie Malone Children and Family Service Center is an independent, 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit organization that provides a safe place for children and youth in crisis and aging out of foster care, from birth through 21. The center also provides therapeutic academic services for grades K thru 12th and parenting education classes for individuals in jeopardy of losing custody of their children. Annie Malone operates 24-hours a day, 365 days a year at three sites in the City of St. Louis. Annie Malone has been a home away from home to thousands of children and families seeking emergency placement and crisis intervention. For additional information, call 314-531-0120 or visit www.anniemalone.com. For crisis or emergency placement, please call 314-361-2222.