Bill Sample honored with humanitarian award

Bill Sample, Sunshine Foundation Founder and President Emeritus, recently received the 2010 Daniel Gottlieb Humanitarian Award by the Center for Families and Relationships (CFAR). Bill received the award last month at CFAR's 40th Anniversary Benefit Gala at the Tomsdale-Franford Country Club in Philadelphia.

Every year, CFAR chooses a member of the community who has made a positive impact on families and society as a whole. Sunshine Foundation’s sole purpose is to answer the dreams of chronically ill, seriously ill, physically challenged and abused children ages three to 18, whose families cannot fulfill their request due to the financial strain that the child’s illness may cause.

In 1967, Philadelphia police officer Bill Sample was assigned to a local children’s hospital. He encountered critically ill children and saw firsthand how these children’s families were burdened not only by mounting medical bills, but also by the frustration of not being able to provide their child’s special dream.

In 1976, Bill took out a personal loan and with the help of others, started the Sunshine Foundation and began making dreams come true for chronically ill, seriously ill, physically challenged, abused and truly deserving children nationwide.

Today, Sunshine Foundation utilizes $6.85 of every dollar to help a child’s dream come true. Over 34,000 dreams have been answered!

To learn more or make a donation, contact Kristin Falatnick at 1-800-707-7176 or visit www.sunshinefoundation.org.