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KyleCares Awards \$6,000 Grant To Samaritans, Inc

NORTH ATTLEBORO, MA (June 7, 2019) – KyleCares, Inc, a new non-profit organization focused on mental health awareness and suicide prevention programs to support teens and young adults, recently awarded its first four grants ever to financially assist high schools and colleges with the implementation of mental health awareness and suicide prevention programs to support their students.

Included in the announcement is a \$6,000 KyleCares Grant awarded to Samaritans, Inc. For over 40 years Samaritans have been providing life-saving suicide prevention services and nonjudgmental support throughout Massachusetts. Their school-based training workshops to help prevent suicide and open up conversations in schools – tailored for students, school staff, or parent groups - have been invaluable to thousands of people. Samaritans' Executive Director, Steve Mongeau, remarks, "It has been a pleasure to meet the Johnson family, and we are tremendously inspired by their commitment to help others and honor Kyle through the KyleCares Foundation. The KyleCares grant will help cover the cost of Samaritans workshops at 10 high schools or colleges throughout the area. The impact of that investment on youth across our community is incalculable! It is an honor for us to be part of this movement. Our team at Samaritans looks forward to partnering with KyleCares, saving lives as we move forward!"

KyleCares was founded by Jim and Sue Johnson and their daughters Katie and Lauren in memory of their son and brother Kyle J. Johnson, a 19-year old North Attleboro, MA college student who died by suicide in April, 2018.

About KyleCares

KyleCares is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to promoting open and honest communication about the mental health challenges teens and young adults face in today's society. Our goal is to financially assist high schools and colleges with the implementation of mental health awareness and suicide prevention programs to better support their students. We will assist schools directly or indirectly by establishing strategic partnerships with leading experts in this field.

About Samaritans, Inc

Samaritans, Inc's mission is to reduce the incidence of suicide by alleviating despair, isolation, distress, and suicide feelings among individuals, 24 hours a day; to educate the public about suicide prevention; to help those who have lost a loved one to suicide; and to reduce the stigma associated with suicide.

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