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Sue Mys, Dian Slavens, Dave Bourque, and Jim Grice

The Honorable Dian Slavens, State Representative of the 21st District, visited the Western Wayne Resource Center, Services To Enhance Potential today. Representative Slavens represents the citizens of Canton Township, the City of Belleville, and Van Buren Township.

Ms. Slavens' visit was the result of an invitation by Sue Mys, STEP Support Coordinator. While here she was able to observe the types of Skills Building activities we are currently participating in and spoke with a few of the individuals about their services. Several individuals told Ms. Slavens how important STEP services were to them and what it meant to their everyday lives.

Ms. Slavens is very supportive of the types of services that STEP provides and of our commitment to community integration. She is aware of the devastating effect that further cuts to the Community Mental Health system will mean to the individuals we serve.

She recommended that we contact our State Senators in particular and urge them to work in developing, along with their fellow legislators, revenue streams to support services such as STEP across the state. We urged her to continue to fight any further cuts to Community Mental Health.