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Porter-Starke Foundation Presents Community Impact Award

The Porter-Starke Services Foundation recently named Denise Koebcke this year's Community Impact Award recipient. Koebcke, a media specialist at Thomas Jefferson Middle School, was applauded by the Porter-Starke Foundation for her dedicated work as coordinator for the Creating A Safe School (CASS) program. Developed four years ago as an anti-bullying program within the Valparaiso school system, the CASS program encourages character building and teaches student leadership skills while promoting community partnerships between the schools and students in grades K-12.

This award was created to honor an individual who has made an impact on behavioral health through increasing awareness of behavioral health issues, improving the perception of behavioral health and raising money to support programs and initiatives.

The Porter-Starke Services Foundation promotes and offers financial support for the behavioral and mental health needs of our community. For more information about the **Foundation** or to make a tax deductible donation, please call 219/531.3510 or visit www.porterstarke.org.

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