Wilson Announces Counseling Program Grant for Southern Local Schools in Racine
$365,282 slated for expansion of counseling services

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) is pleased to announce that Southern Local Schools in Racine will receive a federal grant worth $365,282 under the U.S. Department of Education's Elementary and Secondary School Counseling Program.

The funding will go toward hiring two guidance counselors and two school social workers at the elementary school.

The program hopes that expanded and improved counseling services will lead to: reduced number of disciplinary referrals, improved student attendance and academic performance, social skills development, parental involvement, counselor and teacher professional development, and collaboration with community-based organizations that provide mental health and other services to students.

"Congratulations to Southern Local Schools," Wilson said. "This grant will create four new jobs, and provide a crucial support system for our children at school. Providing for our children is always a sound investment."