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Battalion Staff The Brazos Valley Crisis Prevention Hotline, servicing the Bryanbke Reagan into oking for more action and the brazos valley Crisis Prevention Hotme, servicing the Bryan-College Station area, is still helping people overcome problems, alkough it has changed its sponsor and telephone number. As of Monday, Crisis Hotline's new sponsor is Greenleaf Psychiatric Center Inc., located in Bryan. It was formerly sponsored by the Brazos

Valley Mental Health Mental Retardation Center.

Crisis Hotline is manned by volunteers who "are concerned with helping people," coordinator Mary Orndorff said. "Last year funds were cut by the Texas Department of Community Action," said Dr. Russell Dunckley, director of the MHMR-sponsored Crisis Hotline. Consequently, the service's sponsorship had to be transformed to Creaenleaf Psychiatric Center and the Brazos Valley. ansferred to Greenleaf Psychiatric Center and the Brazos Valley Community Action Agency, he added. The Drug Abuse Prevention Division of the National Institute for

Drug Abuse had given MHMR a grant which made the opening of a line possible in 1978, Dunckley said.

Services offered by Crisis Hotline include information referral and a endly ear for problems of any kind.

Caller's concerns range from problems with being away from home r the first time to suicide attempts," Orndorff said, "and we try to er people to the proper services or talk to them.

We don't advertise having a 'big ear', but that's what we do most of time," a volunteer said. Callers are limited to 15 minutes, before y are asked to terminate the call, he said.

All possible options are explained to callers, but no single one is vocated, he said

The most crucial hours are between 6 p.m. and 2 a.m., but there are otenough volunteers available for those hours. The phone is manned very day between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m., Orndorff said. Service during ther hours is discontinuous and volunteers try to answer the phone much as they can.

Volunteers are needed all the time and can contact Crisis Hotline at phone number 775-3708. The Crisis Hotline's mailing address is 13 Varisco Building, Bryan, Texas 77801

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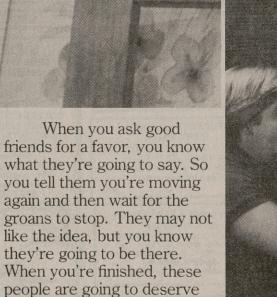
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