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## MEDIA ADVISORY | PRESS CONFERENCE

### New Local Law Enforcement and Mental Health Co-Responder Program Launch

**WHAT:** Press Conference announcing the launch of a new mental health, Co-Responder Partnership between Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN) and law enforcement from Auburn Hills, Birmingham, and Bloomfield Township, Michigan.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, August 4, 2021 | 10 a.m.

**WHERE:** Oakland Community Health Network  
5505 Corporate Drive  
Troy, MI  
Main Entrance

**WHY:** Announce the launch of the Co-response Community Outreach (CoRe) initiative. CoRe contracts an Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN) clinician to work within municipal police departments from Auburn Hills, Birmingham, and Bloomfield Township when responding to calls for crisis intervention involving people experiencing a behavioral health crisis. These three communities are collaborating to fund the OCHN position, supported in part by a grant from the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan.

This co-responder program is one element of a broader and comprehensive crisis intervention strategy that also includes the implementation of a robust, county-wide Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training program.

**WHO:** Jeff Baker, Auburn Hills Chief of Police  
Mark Clemence, Birmingham Chief of Police  
Phillip Langmeyer, Bloomfield Township Chief of Police  
Dana Lasenby, OCHN Executive Director and CEO  
Mariam Noland, President of Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan

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