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Victim Assistance Program joins the ADM Board system of care

Akron, Ohio- The County of Summit Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board announces a new partnership with Victim Assistance Program, a local agency providing crisis intervention to victims and/or family of crime and or trauma. Victim Assistance Program (VAP) joins a network of over 25 providers that offer prevention, treatment and recovery services to Summit County residents across the lifespan.

“Victim Assistance Program meets people they serve at the peak of a life-altering emergency and other traumatic events. Often times we know drugs and alcohol or mental health problems are contributing factors, and we are proud to partner with the team at VAP to address these traumatic incidents during the crisis and its immediate aftermath. As a contract provider of the Summit County ADM Board system of care, this funding will enable VAP to continue to help and support the people and families they serve. Likewise, as a hub for our local recovery system, this partnership provides the ADM Board system of care another path to recovery and improves access and overall care coordination in Summit County. We are very excited to welcome Victim Assistance Program into our network of providers,” commented Jerry Craig, executive director of the County of Summit ADM Board.

Established in 1972, Victim Assistance Program provided over 49,000 individual services to almost 6,000 people last year. These services include safety planning, crisis intervention, education about the justice system, and information & referrals, just to name a few. “Partnering with the ADM Board elevates our abilities to help victims in our community. We look forward to enhancing relationships with program partners, expanding our network to provide clients with wrap around services, and/or transitioning our clients to partners to address needs out of our scope of care,” said Leanne Graham, president and CEO of Victim Assistance Program. The non-profit will provide 24/7/365 crisis intervention, information, and referrals, to any victim/family of crime or trauma including but not limited to victims of homicide, suicide, overdose, traffic fatality, fire, assault, domestic violence, or natural disaster.

The County of Summit ADM Board is responsible for planning, funding, monitoring and evaluating treatment, prevention and support services for people who experience alcoholism, substance use and mental health disorders. Services are available to any county resident, regardless of ability to pay. For more information about the ADM Board or for our emergency numbers, visit www.admboard.org. For more information about Victim Assistance Program, www.victimassistanceprogram.org/

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