

SUMMIT COUNTY PROSECUTOR

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Responding to the Needs of Victims

Summit County Prosecutor's Office Presents 3rd Annual Conference

AKRON, Ohio (Friday, September 7, 2018) – As part of her ongoing mission to inform and educate Summit County residents on the needs of crime victims, Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that her office is holding its 3rd annual conference – "Responding to the Needs of Victims".

The conference is geared specifically for those who come in contact with victims of crime including law enforcement, victim advocates, social workers, doctors, nurses, psychologists, and attorneys. This year, experts Tom Tremblay and Mark Wynn bring their unique training to Summit County. That training includes a focus in the areas of sexual assault, domestic violence investigation interview techniques with a trauma informed approach to victims. Continuing education credits are available to attorneys, social workers, therapists and counselors.

WHAT: 3rd Annual "Responding to the Needs of Victims" Conference

WHERE: Hilton Akron/Fairlawn 3180 W. Market St. Akron, OH 44333

WHEN: Friday, September 21, 2018 8:00am – 4:30pm

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"I am very excited about bringing this unique training to Summit County. Every day we fight for victims but it's difficult to truly understand what a victim is going through," said Prosecutor Walsh. "My hope is this training will give those who work with and interact with victims a better understanding of how trauma impacts people. I'm very proud that this annual event continues to grow with hundreds of people taking part in the training."

This year's conference includes presentations from Tom Tremblay and Mark Wynn. Mr. Tremblay is a retired chief of police from Burlington, Vermont. Tom is a highly regarded national and international advisor and trainer on preventing domestic and sexual violence. Mr. Wynn is a retired lieutenant detective from the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department. Mark is an internationally renowned lecturer on child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault prevention and intervention to first responders, advocates, and other professionals.

Responding to the Needs of Victims is Friday September 21, 2018 at the Hilton Akron/Fairlawn, 3180 West Market Street in Akron. It is geared specifically for those who come in contact with victims of crime including law enforcement, victim advocates, social workers, doctors, nurses, psychologists, and attorneys. The cost is \$30.

To register – head to <u>https://bit.ly/2wOBEjY</u>

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