

PRESS RELEASE: For Immediate Release February 20, 2019 FAMILY EMPOWERMENT

Families Impacted by Opioids a Non-Profit Organization 3888 Winton Park Drive North Olmsted, Ohio is presenting Ohio's largest family member conference for the purpose of educating the family about their journey with Substance Use Disorder. Date: May 4, 2019 Location: Holiday Inn Conference Center Rockside Road Independence, Ohio. Pre-Registration Open: www.eventbrite.com Admission: \$5.00 with preregistration ticket, \$10.00 walk up window. Email: FamiliesImpactedByOpioids@gmail.com Website: www.familiesimpactedbyopioids.com Office: 440.385.7605. Limited Seating: 500

To date few organizations have focused on the needs of the family members dealing with this epidemic. This conference will define the 12 key issues a family faces, how these issues impact the family members, how to prepare for these issues, identify who is here to assist the family, and what the family should expect as an outcome.

There are 20 professional speakers gathering to make a difference in the lives of our Northeast Ohio families. Through 16 family learning breakout sessions, 50 professional service exhibitors and other critical education sessions such as suicide, foster care and peer to peer programs, these all connect for the purpose of empowering our families to take charge of their journey. Victims No Longer. A free 160-page Conference Study Guide book will be given to each attendee and this becomes their family "Plan of Action" after the conference.

Also, City Mayor's, County Sheriffs, City Police Chiefs will meet to review alternatives to incarceration best practices for their community, moderated by Congressman Jim Renacci. School Superintendents will meet to review two ground breaking student body programs, one demonstrates a 90% success rate presented by Middle School Bay Village Principal Mr. Sean McAndrews. A call to prayer is requested for May 5th at Church's, Parishes, Temples, Mosque's and places of spiritual faith practice throughout Northeast Ohio. They are asked to pray with their families on this journey. These are the three support structures which our families turn to in their journey and all will learn how to best respond to this disease.

There will be a Job Hiring Fair in the Exhibit Hall 8:00am – 12:00pm for Substance Use Disorder Professionals and the conference seminars have Continuing Education Units available for licensed professionals.

MR. ROY POILLON Executive Director Families Impacted by Opioids states: "This is a disease of the brain and we are going to educate the family to treat it like a disease. We fight diseases with coordinated care, family education, united in communicating and compliance to plan of treatments. It is our vision to kick the stigma to the curb. Ohio families will be this nations most empowered and knowledgeable families of all states facing this epidemic. We "Stand Up to Stand Together". Sign-Up and join us May 4th and then pray with us May 5th.