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## **Hundreds Show Up for OCHN Veteran and Military Family Resource Event**

**OAKLAND COUNTY, MI (May 12, 2025)** – The Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN) hosted its 4th annual Veteran and Military Families Resource Fair this past Saturday at its Troy headquarters.

Almost 200 people attended the annual event which is held to share much needed services and resources that are available to Veterans and their families. Over 50 vendors participated in the resource fair including the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, Habitat for Humanity, and Michigan Ability Partners to name a few. Several informative presentations were held about gun lock safety, Veterans Administration (VA) services and the connection between Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Alzheimer's and other dementia related diseases. The Oakland County Health Division provided vaccinations for attendees. Gift cards, food, games, and activities for children were also provided.

"OCHN is proud to support Veterans and their families and this event is just one more way to show our dedication and commitment to providing valuable resources and services to those in our community," said OCHN Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director Dana Lasenby.

The Veteran Navigator's mission is to support Oakland County Veterans and their family members by helping them navigate state, federal, and community resources. Those that can participate in the services include:

- All Veterans regardless of discharge status
- Veterans who do not meet service eligibility due to time-in-service
- Veterans who are not eligible for VA services
- Veterans who do not wish to seek traditional support paths

For non-emergency Access services, call 248-464-6363. If you or someone you know needs immediate assistance, call or text the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at 988. For more information on OCHN or Veterans services, visit [www.oaklandchn.org](http://www.oaklandchn.org).



Pictured above: OCHN Resource table, Oakland County Sheriff's K-9 Comfort Dog "Colt" and event attendees.

### **About OCHN**

OCHN is contracted by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to lead a provider service network and manage care for approximately 30,000 Oakland County residents at more than 400 service sites across the county. People who receive public behavioral health services through OCHN's provider network include those who have an intellectual or developmental disability, mental health concerns, or substance use disorder. Most of these individuals have Medicaid insurance coverage.

OCHN's goal is to ensure these individuals are aware of and have access to services and supports that will improve their health and quality of life, as well as ensure their engagement in full community participation. Its mission to "inspire hope, empower people, and strengthen communities" reflects an unyielding belief in a "Valuable System for Valued People." Programs and supports provided by OCHN's service network are available at [www.oaklandchn.org](http://www.oaklandchn.org).

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