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Red Oak Behavioral Health Announces Renovation and Expansion of Services

September 14, 2023, Akron, Ohio: At the end of 2022, Red Oak Behavioral Health was awarded a \$2 million federal capital grant as part of the FY 2023 Omnibus Appropriations Bill approved by the U.S. Congress and signed into law by President Biden. Championed by both Senator Sherrod Brown and Congressman Tim Ryan, the Red Oak project was one of only fifteen community projects to receive funding in Northeast Ohio.

This funding is being used to upgrade and expand Red Oak's Akron facility to make it more trauma-informed and accessible for clients and consumers, create a training center for use by nonprofit professionals, and expand the agency's capacity to serve more children and families in the surrounding community. The renovations align with the agency's commitment to providing safe and supportive community mental health services.

"At a time when the need for behavioral health services has nearly doubled nationwide, this project will have a profound and lasting impact on Red Oak's ability to add additional staff and transform more lives in the community," said President and CEO, Megan Kleidon.

Effective September 18th, Red Oak Behavioral Health's outpatient and psychiatric services will be temporarily relocated to The Blick Clinic offices at 640 W Market St in Akron. Red Oak administrative offices will be temporarily relocated to Coleman Health Services' Akron office at 1815 W Market St # 304.

Regular updates and announcements regarding the renovation progress and final reopening will be available through Red Oak's website, social media channels, and newsletters.

For appointments, inquiries, or any assistance needed, community members can reach Red Oak at 330-996-4600 or by visiting its website at www.redoakbh.org.

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