DAYTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
DAYTON, OHIO

“The Downtown Engagement Project”
A Law Enforcement – Community Solution to Serving the Mentally Ill

PARTNERS:
Dayton Police Department
Montgomery County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board
Goodwill/Easter Seals of the Miami Valley
Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness
Downtown Dayton Partnership
DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM

• **DOWNTOWN** = A Destination for Persons with Mental Illness
  • ...for decades

• **In 2013...**
  • Dayton Police Department approached by Downtown Dayton Partnership about homeless and mentally ill
  • “Perceptions of Safety” Study – commissioned by the City of Dayton
    • “People without a Purpose”

• **Unaddressed impact...**
  • Retail, Professional, Entertainment & Residential stakeholders
  • Dayton Police Department
COMPONENTS

• Engagement

• Information Sharing

• Goodwill/Easter Seals Miracle Clubhouse

• Community Education
TARGET GROUP
Hi! How are you? What can I help you with??
Mental Health Field Interview (MEN FIC)
MIRACLE CLUBHOUSE

243 Warren St. Dayton, OH
COMMUNITY EDUCATION
BENEFITS

- Fewer contacts by police with the mentally ill.
- Fewer incarcerations for civility and mental health related offenses.
- Fewer mental health related prosecutions in the courts.
- Fewer “Pink Slip” removals to hospitals.
- A downtown community who feels more safe and understands the mentally ill.
- Improvement in the lives of the mentally ill.
DATA

MENTAL HEALTH CALL TYPES

*Study Period 1 = AVERAGE of April 01, 2011 – March 31, 2014
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Count of Call Types

Mental Health Call Type Totals

TOTAL CFS -18%

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Raymond Hood of Goodwill Easter Seals talks with a homeless couple in Dayton and delivers food items and clothing vouchers. Hood drives around downtown, looking for the mentally ill homeless people to connect with services. JIM WITMER/STAFF