

MEDIA ALERT

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United Way
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City of Toledo, United Way, Recognize 9-1-1 Task Force

WHO: Brian Byrd, Toledo Fire & Rescue, Chief
Wendy Pestrue, United Way, President & CEO
Sandy Spang, Toledo City Council, Member At-Large
Representation from 50+ Community Organizations

WHAT: In early 2019, dozens of community institutions and agencies were convened as a “task force” to address, and create solutions for, the overwhelming number of nonemergent 9-1-1 calls being answered in our city.

For example: In 2018, 20 individuals called 9-1-1 a total of 810 times, costing the City of Toledo an estimated \$250,000 in responses. Since 1990, Toledo has seen a 15 percent decrease in population, yet, 9-1-1 calls have increased by 33 percent.

Join United Way of Greater Toledo and the City of Toledo to learn more about the problem at-hand, solutions being devised by the task force, and our proposition to the community in how to move forward / save taxpayer dollars.

WHEN: **Tuesday, October 8, 2019**
4:30-6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Main Library – Toledo Lucas County Public Library
Reception hosted within the McMaster Center
325 N. Michigan St.
Toledo, OH 43604

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