

## PRESS RELEASE



The City of Oakwood  
30 Park Avenue  
Oakwood, Ohio 45419

**Subject:** ACORN Program

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OAKWOOD, OHIO:

The Oakwood Public Safety Department is excited to announce the implementation of the ACORN Program, short for Assisting and Contributing to Oakwood Resident Needs. The goal of the program is to provide peace of mind through proactive community outreach, implementing safety plans, and advocating for the well-being of Oakwood's senior and at-risk population. Additionally, the program is designed to assist residents in times of emergency, and connect participants to existing services when needed. The program begins on March 1.

Program benefits include: Periodic wellness visits from a member of the Safety Department; procedures for Oakwood Public Safety Officers having secure access to your home; up to date medical information form; emergency contact information; assistance with in-home needs; and a working partnership with the Wright Memorial Library Book Delivery Program.

ACORN is intended to enrich the lives of Oakwood's senior and at-risk population by assisting with continued independent living, and can be catered to the needs of each individual. "This program is designed to work in partnership with our senior and at-risk citizens to better address their needs and improve their quality of life within the community", said Chief Alan Hill.

ACORN is free of charge, and is generally designed for Oakwood residents who are 65 or older, living alone, and have limited contact with caregivers. The program may also be made available to other Oakwood residents on a case-by-case basis, depending on circumstances.

To enroll, contact the Safety Department at (937) 298-2122 and arrange for a home visit, or download the enrollment application on the city's website, [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov).

If you know someone who is in need of assistance, could benefit from ACORN, or would like additional information about the ACORN program, please contact Captain Kevin Pruszynski at (937) 298-2122.

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