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Daniel A. Dunlap
Sheriff

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On June 20th, 2011 the Lake County ADAMHS Board presented Sheriff Daniel Dunlap, and the Lake County Sheriff's Office, with the Advocate/Volunteer Award.



Established by Ohio statute, the ADAMHS (Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services) Board is responsible for planning, funding, and evaluating Lake County's mental health and recovery services. Its mission is to improve and promote mental health, to assist in the process of recovering from mental illness and chemical dependency, and to help prevent the abuse of Alcohol and other drugs.

Sheriff Dunlap has been a longtime advocate in Lake County to further the cause of mental health, as well as drug and alcohol dependency wellness. Sheriff Dunlap was instrumental in creating the 1st of its kind in-house drug and alcohol treatment program in the Lake County jail in 1993. Since its inception, the program has achieved a nearly 70% success ration in rehabilitating drug and alcohol dependent inmates. Further, the Sheriff joined with Judge John Trebets in creating the first mental health court in Lake County to address the growing problem of mental illness in the criminal justice system.



Sheriff Dunlap was quick to reflect that he was honored to receive such an award, but that he was accepting the award on behalf of all of the members of the Lake County Sheriff's office who work so diligently every day to address the issues of mental health and drug addiction in our communities. *"From the deputies who meet these issues on the street, to the Correction officers who deal with these addictions in the inmates they work with every day in the jail system, to the mental health counselors and medical professionals who treat these addictions, to the various courts in Lake County at every level, the award recognizes their efforts and hard work in making Lake County a better place for its citizens."*

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Sheriff Dunlap was recognized on making good of his promise to *“Return inmates back to society better than when they first arrived at doors of our criminal justice system”*.
Congratulations to Sheriff Dan Dunlap!