

Ottawa County ALPACT



What is ALPACT ?

- Advocates and Leaders for Police and Community trust (ALPACT) is comprised of leaders and members of the community in Ottawa County, civil rights and civil liberties organizations, and law enforcement leaders from Ottawa County. The members meet regularly to look at and examine issues affecting police and community relations. ALPACT members work together to explore strategies to increase opportunities for community partnering and to build a stronger foundation for higher levels of community trust of law enforcement. ALPACT as an important tool can enhance efforts to produce a more trusting and positive community and law enforcement relationship in communities in Ottawa County.

ALPACT Initiative

- The original ALPACT initiative was established in 1998 in Detroit, Michigan. This ALPACT was formed by the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity & Inclusion and included four police chiefs and four prominent leaders who came together to discuss issues and community relations.

ALPACT Mission

- The mission of ALPACT will be accomplished by:
- Working with law enforcement, community and civil rights groups through meetings and forums to identify and address issues affecting police and community relations.
- Educating communities on the scope of the identified issues and the strategies needed to address these issues affecting police and community relations.
- Promoting training of local law enforcement officers on identified issues affecting police and community relations.

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- ALPACT in Ottawa County is a county-wide effort. ALPACT has brought together individuals, law enforcement, prosecutors, organizations, and disciplines from various communities to have open discussions related to law enforcement, the criminal justice system, community based programs and the community itself. The ALPACT group meets bi-monthly

Community Statement

- Sheriff Steve Kempker, “As a county-wide ALPACT initiative, we took an opportunity to look at other ALPACT initiatives around the state and what they stood for and how they operated. It was obvious that ALPACT is about community and how you develop and sustain law enforcement and community relationship while understanding both the needs of the community and the role of law enforcement. A clear understanding how the “system” impacts individual and communities is critical to our success.”

Gov. Synder Support ALPACT's

The Executive Recommendation maintains \$250,000 to Advocates and Leaders for Police and Community Trust (ALPACT), which brings state, federal, and local law enforcement leaders together with community and religious leaders to address trust issues between police and the communities they serve. The program is now active in eleven cities across the State of Michigan.



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Questions?



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