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**MHRB Welcomes New Board Member  
*Lauren Ross to represent Clark County***

SPRINGFIELD, OH (Mar. 17, 2021) – Tues., Mar. 16, Mental Health Recovery Board of Clark, Greene & Madison Counties (MHRB) welcomed Lauren Ross as its newest board member.

Ross, who represents Clark County was appointed by Clark County Commissioners. She previously served as a MHRB board member from 2010 to 2018, and as Board Chair from 2016-2018.

“I’m excited to again be a member of MHRB. The need for coherent mental health and substance abuse services has become even greater as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and the Board is well positioned to influence and fund new and effective ways of dealing with these important public health challenges,” said Ross.

MHRB’s board must include 18 members that serve as public officials, 10 of whom are appointed by county commissioners and eight of whom are appointed by the director of the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services. The number of board members per county are proportional to that county’s population compared to the population of the entire Board region.

MHRB has just one board member slot left, which is designated for someone in recovery from gambling addiction or their family member. To learn more about becoming an MHRB board member, visit [www.mhrb.org/about](http://www.mhrb.org/about) or contact Michelle Humphrey at [michelle@mhrb.org](mailto:michelle@mhrb.org).

**ABOUT MHRB**

Mental Health Recovery Board of Clark, Greene & Madison Counties (MHRB) assists partners, stakeholders, residents, and anyone at risk of mental health or substance use concerns in our three-county area, providing pathways to mental health and addiction services. In collaboration with more than 20 care providers, the board advocates for the mental health needs and facilitates delivery of quality care for all ages, regardless of income or ability to pay.

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