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## Patrick Bravo appointed to Summit County Children Services Board of Trustees

**AKRON, OH – September 2021** – Summit County Children Services (SCCS) announces its newly appointed Board of Trustee member, Mr. Patrick Bravo. Mr. Bravo joins the distinguished members of the Board of Trustees consisting of individuals from diverse professional and personal backgrounds who are committed to the mission of the agency and meeting the requirements of child welfare mandates. Through its mission, SCCS is committed to the safety, permanency and well-being of all children served, in partnership with families and the community.

Mr. Bravo is the Executive Director of the Summit County Land Bank. The Summit County Land Bank is a nonprofit community improvement corporation created to address the challenges of abandoned, vacant, and blighted property in Summit County.

As an Akron School Board member, Mr. Bravo is the Finance and Capital Management Committee Chair; Equity Committee Member; and Kenmore-Garfield and Ward 9 Liaison. He has served the school board since 2012 and was sworn in as board president in January 2017 and continued as board president in 2018 and again in 2020.

Mr. Bravo received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Justice Studies & Psychology from Kent State University. He also received from the University of Akron a Master of Public Administration & Urban Studies and a Law degree (J.D). In addition, Mr. Bravo has completed coursework for a Ph.D. from the University of Akron.

Mr. Bravo was nominated for the SCCS Board of Trustees by the Summit County Executive, Ms. Ilene Shapiro on August 11, 2021. On August 16, Summit County Council approved his appointment which commenced that day and will expire on December 31, 2022. Mr. Bravo will be the 11th member of the SCCS Board of Trustees, replacing Nancy Holland, who was recently selected to fill Akron's Ward 1 council vacancy.

For more information about SCCS, please visit their website at www.summitkids.org.