



**NEWS from the Shelby County Mayor's Office**

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**SHELBY COUNTY MAYOR LEE HARRIS AND JUVENILE COURT JUDGE DAN  
MICHAEL TO DISCUSS DOUBLING THE NUMBER OF YOUTH COUNSELORS IN  
POLICE PRECINCTS**

*The expanded Youth Counselor Precinct Liaison Program will reach more families and  
provide more resources to help youth and reduce crime.*

**WHO:** Shelby County Mayor Lee Harris and Shelby County Juvenile Court Judge  
Dan Michael  
**WHAT:** Media Preview on Youth Counselor Precinct Reform  
**WHEN:** Tuesday, February 22, 2022, 11:00 a.m.  
**WHERE:** Zoom (Media can register here):  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_Mw-sgt1-  
Qou68NsPv0yT3w](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Mw-sgt1-Qou68NsPv0yT3w)

**Shelby County, TN** – Shelby County Mayor Lee Harris and Shelby County Juvenile Court Judge Dan Michael will be available on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 to preview new legislation to expand the placement of youth counselors in police precincts. The proposed resolution will go before the Shelby County Board of Commissioners' Law Enforcement, Corrections, and Courts committee on Wednesday, February 23, 2022.

Currently, the Youth Counselor Precinct Liaison Program has youth counselors embedded in three precincts. This new legislation would double that number. The counselors provide referrals to services, partner with other agencies, participate in outreach, and respond to the needs of the community. In 2021, they helped over 600 families. With this reform, they hope to at least double the number of youth and families served across Shelby County.

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