## Join township Open House Sunday, October 13

Join the Bloomfield Township police and fire departments this Sunday, October 13, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for an Open House at the Bloomfield Township campus, 4200 Telegraph Road just south of Long Lake Road, where everyone can learn all about first responders.

Held throughout the Bloomfield Township campus, kids of all ages will get to enjoy police car rides, climb on fire trucks and DPW heavy machinery such as snow plows, live fire truck safety demonstrations, a smoke house, studio tours at Bloomfield Community TV – and lots more. A popular event, the township Open House is expected to draw large crowds as families join township employees to see everything Bloomfield Township offers on full display.

Celebrated in conjunction with National Fire Prevention Week, the Bloomfield Township Fire Department will have plenty of offerings at the Central Fire Station. This year's campaign works to educate everyone about fire safety in the kitchen. A smokehouse demonstration will take place to educate everyone about fire safety.

The police department will provide important public safety information and demonstrations – and offer activities, including a dunk tank to benefit the Special Olympics.

This is a chance to meet the first responders who serve your community and see what they do. Township Hall, the senior center, animal shelter, and Bloomfield Community Television will also be open for tours. Want to build a dog house, get temporary tattoos and register to vote? It'll all be available, as will an impaired driving simulator, a dunk tank benefitting the Special Olympics, a bounce house, a lego building table, rock climbing tower, department tours, and even an animal adoption event at the police station, from the township's animal shelter.

This year will also see the return of "Passport to Fun," coordinated by the Clerk's Office. This activity provides kids with their own passport that they are encouraged to have stamped at each township department. Once passports are complete with 10 stamps, residents can enter into a raffle for prizes that include dinner with BTFD and lunch with BTPD.

Be sure to also check out a new Open House experience this year at the BCTV Performance Stage. Local artists will perform throughout the event. This stage will be a showcase for talent, both local and beyond township borders. Attendees will be able to enjoy dance troupes, musicians, as well as the return of the Bloomfield Hills High School Marching Band. The stage will be emceed by township resident and recent star of "47 Chairs," Ziggy Klett.

Food trucks will also be on site providing lunch for purchase during the event.