Boost mental health funds

I n response to the editorial on Monday titled "Funding mental health":

I am a strong proponent of an earmarked county levy for mental health and addiction services. The county's two existing levies have never been sufficient. County officials are confronted with multiple grave needs, all underfunded. Boosting the existing levy amounts would help somewhat. Comparable Ohio counties with earmarked levies for mental health and addiction services provide double the amount of money available for Cuyahoga County.

Support a special levy and let the voters decide.

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