

Statement from Mayors and Municipal Leaders in Solidarity with the Jewish Community Following the Attack in West Bloomfield, Michigan

Earlier today, Temple Israel in West Bloomfield, Michigan was the site of a violent and deeply alarming attack when an armed suspect drove a vehicle into the synagogue, breaching the building, with the intent to kill Jews. We, the mayors, councilmembers and municipal leaders of the Combat Antisemitism Movement (CAM) coalition, are horrified by this targeted act of violence. An attack on a house of worship is an attack on the very foundations of our communities.

By signing this statement, mayors and municipal leaders across North America are reaffirming a shared commitment to stand in solidarity with the Jewish community and lead with clarity and resolve in the face of antisemitic violence. Jewish residents must be able to gather, pray, educate their children, and celebrate their faith without fear.

We are grateful to the municipal leadership, law enforcement officers, security personnel, and first responders who acted quickly and decisively to protect lives and secure the scene. Their vigilance and professionalism remind us how essential strong partnerships between local government, community institutions, and law enforcement are in moments like this.

This incident is also a sobering reminder that the threat of antisemitism and violence directed at Jewish institutions remains real. Cities have a responsibility to confront that threat directly.

As municipal leaders, we stand firmly against antisemitism and extremism. Today, we also stand with the Jewish community in West Bloomfield and with Jewish communities everywhere. Your safety, dignity, and freedom to live openly as Jews must never be in question.

In leadership and solidarity,

CAM Mayor and Municipal Network