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## ***FREE screening of Mully to be featured at AMC Forum 30***

*Oakland Family Services offering tickets for inspirational film*

**Pontiac, Mich. (Sept. 20, 2017)** – Oakland Family Services is hosting a FREE screening of *Mully*, the story of how one person changed the world one child at a time, 7 p.m. Oct. 5 at AMC Forum 30 in Sterling Heights.

Producer and Southfield native Paul Blavin is sponsoring this special event. *Mully*, which is being released for a one-time-only showing in October at select theaters nationwide, is the inspiring true story of an orphan-turned millionaire who risked everything to follow God's calling and save thousands of orphaned children from the streets he once called home. The film attempts to engage moviegoers to foster, adopt, mentor or in some other way support kids in foster care in their local community.

“*Mully* is the most inspirational, true story that I have ever seen,” said Blavin, who attended the University of Michigan. “It literally changed my life by showing me the power of love, faith and hope to change the world, one child at a time. My sacred mission is to share this story with the world. I am 100% certain that *Mully* will deeply impact and improve the life of every single person who sees it. PLEASE come see *Mully*. For your sake!”

After the screening, Oakland Family Services President & CEO Jaimie Clayton will hold a brief discussion about foster care and adoption which, alongside foster home training and licensing, are services provided by the nonprofit organization. Every day, Oakland Family Services receives placement requests statewide from individuals looking for temporary or permanent foster and adoptive homes for children. The agency’s 93 licensed foster homes currently are caring for 114 children, so some even have multiple foster children.

“Just during one day this week, we received requests to place 18 children in foster homes,” said Clayton. “The continuing need for foster parents who can offer a loving home for these children is so great. We hope this event can help spread the word about how life-altering this service is for children and how rewarding it can be for parents. We are so grateful for the support of Paul and his wife, Amy, in this mission.”

Seating is limited. Tickets must be reserved in advance. To secure your seat, visit [www.oaklandfamilyservices.org/blog](http://www.oaklandfamilyservices.org/blog). Reserved tickets can be picked up at AMC Forum 30, 44681 Mound Road, 6:30 p.m. Oct. 5. Call (248) 858-7766, ext. 1236 for more information.

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**About Paul Blavin**

The founder of the FOR GOOD production company, Blavin is an executive producer of *The Hunting Ground* — a documentary on the subject of college campus rape, from the makers of the Academy Award-nominated film *Invisible War*. He also is the executive producer of Lady Gaga’s “Til It Happens to You,” a Grammy-Emmy-and Oscar-nominated original song written by Lady Gaga and Diane Warren for *The Hunting Ground*.

Blavin and his wife, Amy, are founders of the Blavin Scholars programs at the University of Michigan and Northern Arizona University, which presently support 50 youth who have experienced foster care and help them achieve their dreams of a post-secondary education and a better life.

In addition to graduating *Phi Beta Kappa* with high distinction from the University of Michigan, Blavin earned an MBA at Harvard Business School. The Blavins reside in California.

*Oakland Family Services is a private, nonprofit 501 (c) (3) serving the community since 1921 and dedicated to providing individuals and families the opportunity to build brighter futures. The agency’s prevention, education and treatment services touch the lives of more than 40,000 individuals throughout southeastern Michigan. The agency has offices in Pontiac, Berkley, Rochester Hills and Walled Lake. For more information, go to [www.oaklandfamilyservices.org](http://www.oaklandfamilyservices.org).*

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