

# **BECAUSE** YOU MATTER

No matter what we look like or where we are from, everyone should have the resources we need to thrive and the opportunity to lead economically secure, safe, and healthy lives free from violence. The coronavirus pandemic has uprooted the lives of many Ohioans, but there are resources that can help.

We've created the following resource guide to keep you updated about the programs and resources available to Ohioans and families during the crisis: from food assistance to housing security, from health care to child care. This resource guide will be updated regularly.

### **RESOURCE GUIDE CONTENTS:**

- Food Assistance
- Housing Assistance
- Health Care
- Child Care
- Economic Support
- Domestic Violence Prevention and Services

Questions about COVID-19 in Ohio? During these uncertain times, we are all in this together. Protect your community by staying up-to-date on the coronavirus pandemic information.

> Visit <u>coronavirus.ohio.gov</u> or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634) 9 am - 8 pm on any day, including weekends.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP):

#### Apply for SNAP Food Assistance (by phone or online)

- Visit <u>www.benefits.ohio.gov</u> to apply online
- Call 1-844-640-6446 to apply over the phone through the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

#### Additional information and resources:

- What to Know When Applying for Food Assistance
- Frequently Asked Questions: Food and Cash Assistance in Ohio
- Information About SNAP for Workers Who Lost Hours or Jobs Due to COVID-19

#### WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC):

#### Apply for WIC (through application by mail or in person)

- Go online to access a WIC Program Application, which must be submitted to your local WIC office. <u>Visit https://odh.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odh/know-our-programs/women-infants-children/media/wic-program-application</u>
- To find your local WIC clinic and schedule a meeting, download the WIC Clinic Directory, call 1-800-755-GROW (4769), or visit signupwic.com

#### Additional information and resources:

- Frequently Asked Questions about WIC
- Ohio WIC Program Eligibility Information
- Ohio WIC Authorized Foods List

#### DIRECT FOOD ASSISTANCE FOR LOST SCHOOL MEALS DURING COVID-19

# Pandemic-Electronic Benefit Transfer Program (families should have received a letter in June through the mail with more details, more information is available online or by phone)

- Learn more about the program and whether your eligible, online at <u>http://ohiopebt.org/</u>
- Call the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services at 1-866-244-0071 for more information, or if you think your family is eligible but did not receive a letter in June

#### Summer Food Service Program (Find a Food Service Site Near You):

- Visit the Summer Food Service Clickable Map Online at: <u>http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/Coronavirus/Supporting-Whole-Child-Nutrition</u>
- Text FOOD to 877877 to get more information about Food Sites

#### Additional information and resources:

- More information about the P-EBT Program
- Frequently Asked Questions About P-EBT Program

#### **OHIO ASSOCIATION OF FOODBANKS:**

#### Find contact information for accessing food assistance in your county:

Emergency Food Assistance Contact Sheet: By County

#### **OHIO HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY**

• COVID-19 Information

#### COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING IN OHIO (COOHIO)

<u>COVID-19 Resource Guide for Homeless Services Programs</u>

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING (HUD)

- NOTE: Renters living in a HUD Multifamily Assisted or FHA-insured property are covered by a temporary eviction moratorium. Call 877-542-9723 to speak with a HUD housing counselor at our Disaster Response Network
- Homelessness Assistance: Find a Shelter Near You
- HUD COVID-19 Resources for Renters, Homeowners, Public Housing Agencies, and More

### **HEALTH CARE**

#### **MEDICAID**

#### Apply for Medicaid (online or by phone)

- Visit <u>www.benefits.ohio.gov</u> to apply online
- Call 800-324-8680 to apply through the Ohio Medicaid Consumer Hotline

#### Additional information and resources:

- <u>Check Medicaid Eligibility</u>
- Manage Your Medicaid Benefits
- More information about Ohio Medicaid programs

#### **REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE**

# <u>Ohio Department of Health: Reproductive Health and Wellness Program</u> (services funded through Federal Title X of the Public Health Service Act, Maternal and Child Health Block Grant, and general revenue funds)

• To find out what a visit might cost, call the health center of your choice and discuss the cost of the service. Fees for services are based on family size and income and no one is denied services if they cannot pay. There is no requirement that a person live in the area in order to receive services.

#### Planned Parenthood: How do I get sexual health services during the COVID-19 pandemic?

#### **OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

- Find your local health department
- <u>COVID-19 Testing and Community Health Centers (interactive map)</u>
- Up-to-date COVID-19 Information

## **CHILD CARE**

#### OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

- <u>Child Care Assistance</u> (apply for benefits online or through application by mail)
  - Visit ssp.benefits.ohio.gov/apspssp/index.jsp to apply online
  - Visit <u>http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/num/JFS%2001138</u> to print off an application form
- Frequently Asked Questions About Child Care Assistance
- Information on Transitional Pandemic Childcare
- Interactive Map Based Search of Child Care Centers in Ohio
- <u>County Agency Contact Information</u>
- What Parents Should Know
- Approved Day Camps in Ohio (opened as of June 19)
- Search for Early Care and Education Programs

## **ECONOMIC SUPPORT**

#### **COVID-19 PAID SICK AND PAID LEAVE BENEFITS**

- <u>Chart: Who has access to emergency paid sick and paid leave benefits?</u> (Innovation Ohio, Policy Matters Ohio, PL+US, and The Ohio Women's Public Policy Network)
- <u>Know Your Rights: Emergency Paid Sick Days and Paid Leave for Child Care and Coronavirus</u> (The National Partnership for Women & Families)

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

- Apply for new and expanded COVID-19 unemployment benefits (online or by phone)
- Visit <u>https://unemploymenthelp.ohio.gov/</u> to file a claim online 24 hours/day, 7 days a week.
- File a claim by calling toll-free 1-877-644-6562 or TTY 1-614-387-8408 (EXTENDED CALL CENTER HOURS: Agents are available to assist with PIN resets and take initial applications Monday through Friday 7:00 am - 7:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, and Sunday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.)
- <u>Frequently Asked Questions: Expanded Eligibility</u> (Ohio Department of Jobs & Family Services)
- Employee Resource Hub (ODJFS)
- <u>Unemployment How To Videos (ODJFS)</u>
- <u>COVID-19, Unemployment, and Paid Leave Flow Chart</u> (NELP and Family Values @ Work)

### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES:**

#### **OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK**

- <u>COVID-19 Updates, including shelter/program guidance and legal resources</u>
- Request for Survivor Emergency Financial or Safety Assistance
- Tenant Rights of Domestic Violence Survivors During COVID-19 (National Housing Law Project)

#### **OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

• Resources and Publications on Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Prevention

Questions about additional services and benefits offered by the state of Ohio? Visit <u>https://benefits.ohio.gov/</u>

# THESE SERVICES MATTER,

# **BECAUSE YOU MATTER.**

## The COVID-19 pandemic has underscored just how important a complete and accurate census is for the future of our communities.

The U.S. Census determines how money and power are assigned by counting how many people there are to serve in each community, city, and state. **Public health and safety are even more critical at this moment of uncertainty.** Accurate census data can help ensure that Ohio has adequate resources to continue to serve our families and our communities during this crisis and beyond.

Every person has the right to make their voice heard and ensure that their families, their neighbors, and their communities have the resources they need. The 2020 Census will determine funding provided in Ohio for programs like Medicaid and SNAP, which are foundational to the health, safety, and economic security of women and families - especially as the health and economic consequences of the coronavirus pandemic continue to impact our communities.

Census participation is power: By taking the census, you are helping the services you care about get the funding they need. Completing the census is secure, safe, and easy - and it can be done from your home without having to meet someone in person.

# Make Your Voice Count: Take the 2020 Census Today

### Visit <u>www.womenspublicpolicynetwork.org/census</u> OR Text PLEDGE to 614-295-9592

THE OHIO WOMEN'S

#### ABOUT US:

The Ohio Women's Public Policy Network is a coalition of nearly 40 organizations working collaboratively to advocate for public policy solutions that build economic opportunity for women and families.

For more information, visit our website:

www.womenspublicpolicynetwork.org

#### STAFF CONTACT:

Erin Ryan

Managing Director, The Ohio Women's Public Policy Network

Phone: (614) 220-0150 Email: ryan@innovationohio.org