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Cuyahoga County Resources, Services and Information for You



Governor's Order and Hotline

On July 8, the Ohio Department of Health issued an order requiring face coverings in all Ohio counties designated as a Red Alert Level 3 Public Health Emergency or higher. Days before the state issued the mask order, the Ohio Public Advisory Health System categorized the situation in Cuyahoga County as a Level 3 Public Emergency citing "very high exposure and spread" and declared that the county met the first four of seven indicators laid out by the new system. On July 10, Executive Budish announced the creation of a phone line for mask compliance feedback, questions and concerns. You may call the hotline at 216-698-5050 or fill out the online survey.



Greater Cleveland Digital Equity Fund

The County has partnered with The Cleveland Foundation, The George Gund Foundation and T-Mobile to create the Greater Cleveland Digital Equity Fund, which will be used to address the digital divide throughout Greater Cleveland. More than 1 in 5 households in the county have no internet access, with more than half of Cleveland households that make less than \$20,000 completely disconnected from the digital world. Local organizations PCs for People and RET3 will provide up to 10,000 computers and/or ongoing support to students in public schools and partner charter schools in Greater Cleveland--but this project is just the beginning of ongoing efforts to decrease the digital divide.



Human Rights Commission Now Accepting Complaints

The Human Rights Commission was established in tandem with an ordinance passed in 2018 ensuring all people in the county have equal access and opportunity to employment, housing and public accommodations and provides citizens with civil rights protections against discriminatory practices. The Commission will therefore receive and resolve complaints alleging discrimination based on protected traits such as sexual orientation and gender identity.

[File a Complaint](#)

Invest in Children Solidifies Commitment

It is a saddened reality that racial and ethnic disparity affects all ages. Invest In Children (IIC) of our Office of Early Childhood is recommitted to our mission to eliminate racial/ethnic disparities in young children and families in our community and put together a message for families and residents.

[Learn About Invest in Children](#)