



County News Now

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Cuyahoga County Resources, Services and Information for You



Stay at Home Advisory

On November 18, County Executive Armond Budish, Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson and County Board of Health Commissioner Terry Allan announced a Stay at Home Advisory effective immediately through December 17. The Advisory encourages residents to stay home to the greatest extent possible due to the rapid rise of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations in the county. This Advisory aligns with all orders set forth by Governor Mike DeWine and the Ohio Department of Health. Governor DeWine also established a statewide curfew that went into effect Thursday, November 19.

[Read the Advisory Resolution](#)



Small Business Stabilization Program Round 3

\$4 million is now available for local businesses through Round 3 of the Small Business Stabilization Fund. Business owners can receive up to \$10,000 in grants to help with rent, utilities and other business expenses. Applications open Monday, November 23 and close December 3, and grants will be distributed shortly after. Cleveland Neighborhood Progress will administer the third round of grant deployment.

[Apply for Funding](#)



Utility Assistance Available NOW

Cuyahoga County has implemented a new program to help eligible residents with utility payments. CHN Housing Partners will administer the \$2 million funded by the County. You can now apply to receive utility assistance to help pay for your sewer, water, wastewater, electric and gas services. Besides rent, paying utility bills is one of the biggest struggles for working families during the pandemic.

[Apply for Utility Assistance](#)



Mental Health and Addiction Diversion Center Coming in Early 2021

The Cuyahoga County Mental Health and Addiction Diversion Center will be the first-of-its-kind in Ohio, offering a solution to manage the twin problems of a rising jail population and the growing number of inmates with mental health disorders and addiction issues. This innovative approach will ensure those who need treatment receive it and lowers the inmate population safely by working with law enforcement and the justice system to redirect individuals better off in the care and environment of community health professionals.

[Learn About the Innovative Diversion Center](#)