

The 4-1-1 on 2-1-1

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www.211ashtabula.org/newsletters

What Am I Reading?

Welcome to our 2-1-1 newsletter, "The 4-1-1 on 2-1-1"!

Now more than ever access to available resources is vital. We started this newsletter to highlight new and/or timely community updates. This is just a small highlight and may not contain all the information you need.

For more resources and for up-to-date information, please remember to contact us at 2-1-1 Ashtabula County! Just Dial 2-1-1.





Farmer's to Families

Farmers to Families is back this month! Farmers to Families is a free produce and dairy distribution. For more information, call Country Neighbor, 440-437-6311 (Barb).

This week's upcoming Farmers to Families will be held on:

Thursday Oct. 22nd
Eagleville Church
1981 State Route 45
Rock Creek, Ohio

11:00 am-2:00 pm (or until out, whichever occurs first)

Distribution will be set up in a drive thru, no contact format. Food will be placed in the trunk of vehicles. Individuals must be Ashtabula County residents and be below 230% of poverty guidelines. Proof of income will be self-declare.

Food Preservation Webinars

The local Ohio State University Extension is holding online webinars to teach about food preservation. Webinars are being held every Tuesday until November, 10th. Participants are welcome to go to all of the ones that are available or to go to only the ones that interest them.

Dates and topics are:

October 13th, 4-5 pm, Preserving Apples
October 20th, 4-5 pm, Canning Soup
October 27th, 4-5pm, Canning Meat
November 3rd, 4-5 pm, Making Jerky
November 10th, 4-5 pm, Making Sauerkraut

Register for these programs at:

<https://go.osu.edu/fall2020foodpreservationseries>

Food For Friends Food Box Giveaway

TV Land MX and Spokes of Hope have partnered to provide 1000 food boxes to those in need.

They will be distributing food on the 22nd, and the 29th of October starting at 11 AM. They ask that participants do not show up early. The drive-through distribution will be held at 773 State Road 7, Pierpont, Ohio 44082. Follow the flags at TV Land MX.

Upcoming Mobile Food Pantry

The mobile food pantry program provides a produce give away in multiple places in the county. For more information please call 211 for your local food pantry information.

Monday, Oct. 19th

G.O. Ministries
3703 Station Avenue
Ashtabula, Ohio
10:00 am—12:00 pm

Monday, Oct. 19th

Plymouth Untied Methodist
970 Plymouth Road
Ashtabula, Ohio
3:30 until gone—do not line up early

Friday, Oct. 23rd

Andover First United Methodist Church
181 South Man Street
Andover, Ohio
10:00 am—12:00 pm

Looking for your local food pantry? Need to know where you can go for a hot meal? Call 2-1-1 .

Art Wellness Workshop Series

8 Week Series

Wednesdays at 10:00– 11:30 am

Starting October 21 st

Has COVID-19 Got You Stressed?

This workshop series is designed to use art as a way to find greater wellness in the midst of this pandemic.

About the Series...

- ◆ Limited spots available, if you apply please plan on attending all 8 weeks
- ◆ Pre-registration required
- ◆ All materials will be provided
- ◆ Classes are led by a professional Art Facilitator– Heather Denning, MA, ATR-BC, ATCS, LSW
- ◆ Transportation supports may be available
- ◆ COVID-19 safety protocols will be observed

Location... Ashtabula Arts Center

- ◆ 2928 West 13th St, Ashtabula, OH 44004

Apply Now...



- ◆ snap the QR code,
- ◆ visit www.accaa.org, or,
- ◆ call Allison 440-990-1734



Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time.

Thomas Merton



Sponsored by...



Catholic Charities' HALO Christmas Program

Catholic Charities' HALO program is now accepting applications. The HALO program assists those that qualify with food and toys for Christmas.

This year applications are completely online. You can find the application at <https://fs10.formsite.com/XhJosz/v6kr2pvonf/index.html> or by scanning the QR code below.

If individuals are unable to apply online they can call Catholic Charities to schedule an appointment to apply. No walk-ins please. **Applications will be taken until Nov. 20th at 5PM.**

To be eligible you must be below 133% of the federal poverty guidelines. To apply you will need:

- Email address (to apply online)
- Photo ID
- Proof of income for the past 30 days.

	100%	133%
1	\$1,063	\$1,414
2	\$1,437	\$1,911
3	\$1,810	\$2,407
4	\$2,183	\$2,904
5	\$2,557	\$3,400
6	\$2,930	\$3,897
7	\$3,303	\$4,393
8	\$3,677	\$4,890



Country Neighbor's Christmas Program

The Country Neighbor Christmas program is now taking applications. Individuals who want to apply can do so by phone. Call 440-437-6311 and ask for Melissa. She is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

They are also looking for volunteers. Those who are interested in volunteering can call the same number.



Ashtabula County

Access to Homeless Assistance



Brought to you by:
Ashtabula County Housing Continuum of Care (COC)

Ashtabula County Access Points

Ashtabula County Community Action Agency

4200 State Road, Ashtabula, OH 44004
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004
8:30am-4:30pm
440-997-6005 or 211

Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County

4200 Park Avenue, 3rd Floor
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004
8:30am-5:00pm
440-992-2121

Samaritan House

4125 Station Avenue
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004
7:00am-3:00pm
440-992-3178

For Veterans Only Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Frontline Services

270 E. Main St. Suite 210
Painesville, Ohio 44077
9:00am-5:00pm
440-381-8347 Ext 6901



After a household has entered the emergency shelter system, completion of an assessment helps determine the level of need of the household experiencing homelessness and helps inform referral decisions to connect them to the most appropriate housing or service intervention to end homelessness quickly.

For more information, just dial...



Services are available to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, disability, actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

The Ashtabula County Housing Continuum of Care is a member of The Ohio Balance of State Continuum of Care (BOSCO) Region 5 which includes Continuum of Care from Ashtabula, Geauga, Lake, Portage and Trumbull counties.

Under HUD, Ashtabula County is required to have a coordinated system to ensure that individuals who are experiencing homelessness know where to contact for shelter. Ashtabula County has four (4) access points into the homeless system.

Ashtabula County Community Action Agency



New Hope Program

The New Hope program can help you to get back on your feet and stabilize your housing situation. The program provides rental subsidy and case coordination to homeless individuals and families to help them get re-established.

Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County



Homeless Crisis Response Program

The Homeless Crisis Response Program (HCRP) is designed to provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless (homelessness prevention), or to help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized (rapid re-housing).

Samaritan House



The Samaritan House is the only homeless shelter in Ashtabula County. Our county residents can stay with us up to 30 days. During that time, the staff connects residents to area agencies that can help them with employment, housing, food, medicine or whatever they need to get back on their feet again.

Veterans Assistance Frontline Service



Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)

Rapid Re-housing assistance, eviction prevention and shelter diversion for at-risk veterans.

Mail-In / Absentee Voting

The deadline to request a mail-in /absentee ballot is **Saturday Oct. 31, 2020**, although earlier is better. You can contact your local board of elections at 440-576-6915 to request an absentee ballot request form. You can also go to: https://www.ohiosos.gov/globalassets/elections/forms/11-a_english.pdf and print the form out. Once you complete the form you can mail it to: 8 West Walnut Street Jefferson, OH 44047, or return it in person.

If you have questions about your absentee ballot request, you should call the board of elections. You can track the status of your ballot request as well as your voted absentee ballot through the Voter Toolkit at <https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/>.

Ballots are being sent out now. Once you receive the ballot, and have filled it out, you can return it in-person, or mail it to the board of elections. If you return your absentee ballot by mail, it must be postmarked no later than the day before Election Day and received by your county board of elections no later than 10 days after the election. By state law, a postmark does not include a date marked by a postage evidence system such as a postage meter.

The U.S. Postal Service (USPS) estimates that it may take two to five days for your voted absentee ballot to be delivered to your board of elections by mail.

If you return your ballot to the board in-person, or if a near relative (a spouse or close family member) delivers it for you, the board of elections must receive your ballot no later than 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.

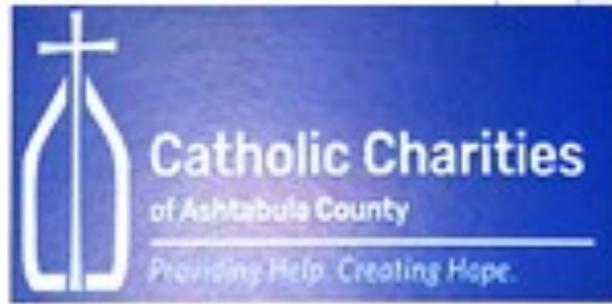


Early In-Person Voting

If you don't want to do an absentee ballot, you can also vote in-person during early voting. Early voting will begin Oct. 6, 2020 and will continue until Nov. 2, 2020. Instead of holding early voting at the Board of Elections (BoE) office this year, it will be held at an early voting center, located at 71 North Chestnut Street in Jefferson.

The early voting center will be open from
 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Oct. 19-23,
 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 26-30.
 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 24 and 31
 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Oct 25 and Nov. 1
 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Nov. 2, the day before election day, according to the BoE website.





Alcance De Hispanos

Servicios de administración de casos de alcance que ayudan a personas y / o familias hispana en el condado de Ashtabula

- Apoyo y recursos en la comunidad
- Referencias a programas de asistencia para necesidades básicas como vivienda, servicios públicos, recetas, asistencias con pañales / fórmula y otras necesidades especiales
- Interactuar con los sistemas de soporte en nombre de los clientes
- Servir de enlace para la comunidad hispana
- Proporciona servicios de traducción
- Se conecta a los servicios de inmigración legal en la Diócesis

Para mas informacion, Contacte a:

Violeta Aguirre (Vi)
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doy.org

Nuestra Misión:

Brindar servicio a las persona necesitadas, abogar por la justicia en las estructuras sociales y llamar a todo la Iglesia y a otras personas de Buena voluntad a hacer lo mismo.

Hispanic Outreach

Outreach case management services assisting Hispanic individuals and/or families in Ashtabula County.

- Support and resources in the community.
- Referrals to basic needs assistance programs like housing , utility prescriptions, diapers/formula assistance and other special needs.
- Interacting with support systems on behalf of clients.
- Serve as liaison and advocate for the Hispanic Community
- Provides translation services.
- Connects to Legal Immigration services at the Diocese

For more information, Contact:

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Our Mission:

To provide service to people in need, to advocate for justice in social structures and to call the entire Church and other people of good will to do the same.

Ashtabula County Still Level 2

On Thursday, Oct. 15th, Governor DeWine updated the Ohio Public Health Advisory System. This system shows that we are at the orange, or level 2 advisory, once again.

The Public Health advisory system uses seven different indicators to measure the spread of the coronavirus throughout the state.

Ashtabula County is meeting indicator 2 for having a sustained increase in new Covid-19 positive cases and indicator 3 for having the majority of our cases be from non-congregate settings.

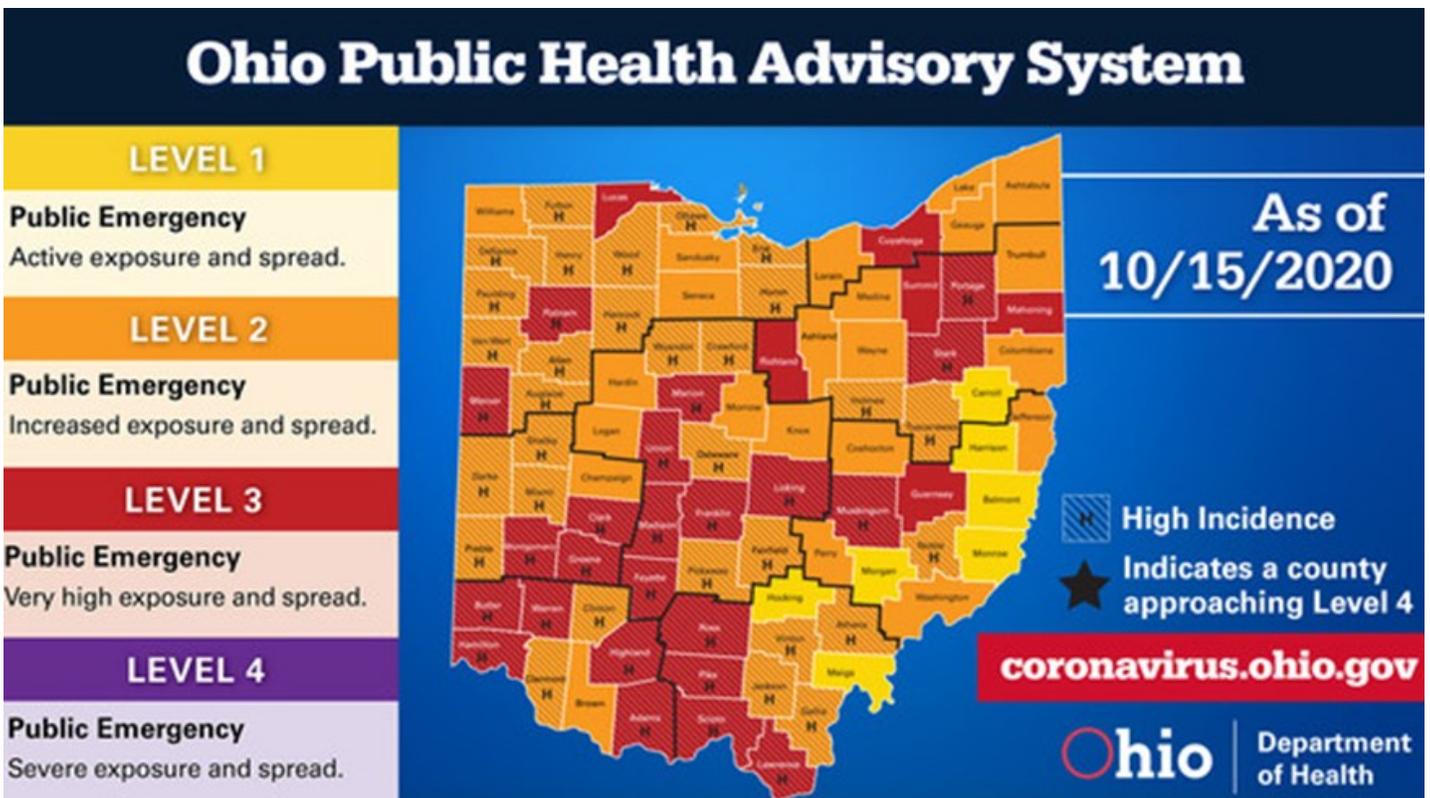
This means that we are at an increased level of exposure and spread of Covid-19 that we were only a few short weeks ago.

During his press conference on Thursday, Governor DeWine encouraged Ohioans to remember to continue following the suggestions and rules that will keep us safe.

“The only way, the only way we can beat this virus back is to follow the prevention methods we have been talking about since the beginning of the pandemic,” said Governor DeWine. “Stay home when you are sick. Social distance. Wear a mask. Always.”

Here are the suggested precautions for individuals in counties that have been moved up to orange, or level 2:

- Same guidelines as in Level 1:
 - ◇ Conduct a daily health/symptom self-evaluation and stay at home if symptomatic.
 - ◇ Maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from non-household members.
 - ◇ Wear face coverings in public.
 - ◇ Increase caution when interacting with others not practicing social distancing or wearing face covers.
 - ◇ Avoid traveling to high-risk areas.
 - ◇ Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
 - ◇ Use hand sanitizer frequently.
 - ◇ Avoid touching your face.
 - ◇ Cover coughs or sneezes (e.g., into a tissue, or elbow).
- Avoid contact with anyone who is considered high-risk. And high-risk individuals should take extra care to follow precautions.
- Decrease in-person interactions outside household.
- Seek medical care as needed, but avoid unnecessary visits to hospitals, nursing homes, and residential care facilities to see others as much as possible.





PERSON TO PERSON HELPLINE

If you are struggling emotionally or
worried about someone you love,
please call or text to connect with someone who can help:

Call or Text: 440-855-0214

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Census Over

As of Oct. 16th the 2020 census has been officially ended. Thank you to everyone who filled out the census and made Ashtabula count!

Stimulus Filing Extended

The IRS has stated that people have until November 21st, rather than until October 15th, to receive their stimulus check.

This is for individuals who never received their check and normally do not file taxes. If that applies to you can fill out the non-filer tool, or check the status of your stimulus payment at [irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov).

**“In three words I
can sum up every-
thing I've learned
about life:
it goes on.”
— Robert Frost**

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Have something you want featured?
Email sdragon@accaa.org or call 440-990-1719

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