

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



*2-1-1 updates for the week of February 7th, 2021*

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**Every year on the 11th of February— 2-11— we celebrate 2-1-1 Day!**

This special day helps us spread the word about the 2-1-1 Ashtabula County Information & Referral Service.

**Celebrating 2-1-1 Day!**



**From Hello to Help, 2-1-1 is Here!**

2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember, three-digit telephone number which can be dialed anywhere in Ashtabula County to connect people in need with community, social, health and human service programs and resources.



### Upcoming Mobile Food Pantries

The mobile food pantry program provides a produce give away in multiple places in the county. For more information please call 2-1-1 for your local food pantry information.

There are no mobile food pantries this week.

### Easter Dinner

Lake Erie Cremation and Funeral Services is providing a hot, to-go Easter dinner. The dinner will be available to be picked up on April 2, 2021 from 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm. Pick up will be at 1500 Harpersfield Road, Geneva, Ohio.

Those interested can call 440-361-2273 to reserve meals for themselves and their family.

The meal will consist of sliced ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cinnamon apples, and a roll with butter.

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

### \*\*\*\*\*Warming Shelter

Due to the freezing temperatures this coming week, the First Community Church of God is holding a warming shelter from Sunday, February 7th at 4pm until Sunday, February 14th at 8am.

Doors will be open 24/7 for those in need of shelter from the cold. Sandwiches and coffee will be provided.

The church is located at **1910 South Ridge Road West, Ashtabula, Ohio**. For more information call Debbie Hunt at 789-7011.

### Blood Drive Locations

You can schedule your blood drive appointment at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or by calling 1-800-733-2767. Masks are required.

#### Monday, Feb. 8th

Eagleville Bible Church  
1981 State Route 45  
Rock Creek, Ohio  
1 pm - 7 pm

#### Friday, Feb. 12th

SPIRE, Building #1  
5201 Spire Circle,  
Geneva, Ohio  
10 am - 3 pm

#### Sunday Feb. 14th

People's Church  
300 South Ridge East  
Geneva, Ohio  
12 pm - 5 pm



# Country Neighbor's "Farmers to Families" FREE PRODUCE & DAIRY DISTRIBUTION

**Friday, February 12th  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
(or until out, whichever occurs first)**



**Eagleville Church  
1981 State Route 45  
Rock Creek, Ohio 44084**



**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.**

**Eligibility is income base at 230% of poverty, please refer to the  
Income Eligibility Guideline Chart below:**

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	INCOME		
	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK
1	\$28,727	\$2,394	\$552
2	\$38,893	\$3,242	\$748
3	\$49,059	\$4,089	\$943
4	\$59,225	\$4,936	\$1,139
5	\$69,391	\$5,783	\$1,334
6	\$79,557	\$6,630	\$1,530
7	\$89,723	\$7,477	\$1,725
8	\$99,889	\$8,325	\$1,921
9	\$110,055	\$9,173	\$2,116
10	\$120,221	\$10,021	\$2,312
FOR EACH ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBER ADD	\$10,166	\$848	\$196

**For More Information, please call Diane at County Neighbor, 440-437-6311**

Food distribution made possible by Country Neighbor, Ashtabula Foundation,  
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Job and Family Services

Mike DeWine, Governor  
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January 27, 2021

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## **ODJFS Finalizing System Updates to Allow More than 95,000 Additional Ohioans to Begin Claiming Unemployment Benefits This Weekend**

COLUMBUS, OHIO – The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) is finalizing system updates that will allow more than 95,000 additional Ohioans to begin claiming unemployment benefits this weekend. Programming updates for the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program will be complete on January 31.

The federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, signed on December 27, extends and amends many of the federal pandemic unemployment programs made possible by the CARES Act, with new complexities that are taking all states time to implement. ODJFS and its Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) vendor partner, Deloitte, expect to implement the following provisions on the dates below:

### **January 31 – Additional 11 weeks of PEUC**

As a result, more than 95,000 additional Ohioans will be eligible to receive these benefits, including many of those who formerly received Federal-State Extended Benefits. Eligible individuals also will receive the \$300 FPUC payments. The CARES Act provided up to 13 weeks of PEUC benefits for Ohioans who exhausted their maximum 26 weeks of regular unemployment benefits, through December 26. The new legislation provides an additional 11 weeks of PEUC, but new programming is necessary to make them available to claim.

### **February 6 – New PUA Applications, Payment Fix**

As a result, Ohioans new to PUA will be able to apply, claim weeks and receive benefits. In addition, an estimated 155,453 PUA claimants who had balances on their accounts of up to 7 weeks can again be paid, provided they have no other issues holding their claims. Eligible individuals also will receive the \$300 FPUC payments.

ODJFS is currently paying unemployment benefits to more than 245,000 Ohioans. This includes nearly 98,000 who are receiving a form of traditional unemployment benefits and more than 144,000 who are receiving Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA). All claimants eligible for these programs between December 27 and March 13 also will receive the supplemental \$300 Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) payments.

ODJFS is posting updates with target implementation dates at [jfs.ohio.gov/caa](https://jfs.ohio.gov/caa), frequently asked questions at [unemployment.ohio.gov](https://unemployment.ohio.gov), and an [infographic](#) showing all the available unemployment programs.

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### Keys to Community

Ashtabula County Community Action Agency asks you to please join us for our virtual “Keys to Community” event!

At the event you can earn more about the 2-1-1 Ashtabula County Information & Referral program and hear from four featured guest speakers. Join us for this FREE informational presentation. The presentation begins Thursday, February 11th 2021 (2-1-1 Day!) from 9:30 am-11 am.

The first part of the program is the "The 101 of 2-1-1". This is from 9:30-10 am. Attendees can learn about our 2-1-1 Ashtabula County Information & Referral service and how it can benefit their agency and clients. Topics include a national look at 2-1-1, as well as an in-depth look at our own 2-1-1 program here in Ashtabula County - such as top referrals, what to expect when calling, and outreach

initiatives. We will also share updates with how 2-1-1 has been affected and what we are doing to keep people connected to resources during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The second part of the program is "Resource Info Sharing". This is from 10 am -11 am. Attendees will hear directly from featured guests about their programs. This quarter we are pleased to present the following featured guest speakers: The Ashtabula County Emergency Management Agency (EMA), Beatitude House, The Alliance for Working Together, and Community Action’s Home Weatherization Program (HWAP).

We hope you can join us!

RSVP to Alissa at [aholdson@accaa.org](mailto:aholdson@accaa.org) to get the virtual meeting link.



*Cordially invites you to attend...*

**Thursday, Feb. 11th, 2021 (2-1-1 Day!) Part 1- 9:30 am**

Not familiar with 2-1-1? Attend this introduction to our 24 hour information and referral service, and how it can benefit your agency and clients.

**Virtual “Keys to Community”**

**“The 101 of 2-1-1”**  
Part 1-Learn About 2-1-1 Ashtabula County



**Part 2– 10:00 am**

Please RSVP to Alissa at [aholdson@accaa.org](mailto:aholdson@accaa.org) to receive the GoToMeeting link!



Part 2 is our Community Resource Spotlight, this quarter we will feature:

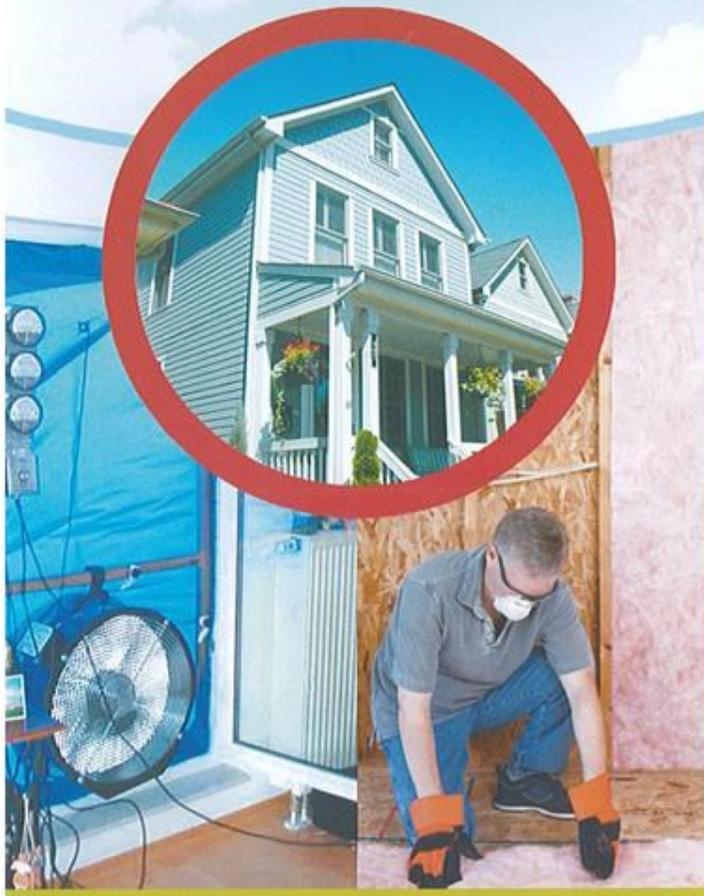
- The Ashtabula County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)
- Beatitude House
- The Alliance for Working Together
- Community Action’s Home Weatherization Program (HWAP)

*A service of Ashtabula County Community Action Agency*

**FREE**  
for Eligible  
Households

Let us make your home safe,  
warm, and energy efficient!

## Home Weatherization Assistance Program



### WHAT WE DO...

#### Energy Audit

We perform a complete Energy Audit to determine the energy use of your home, find areas where it is losing energy, and identify energy saving measures to help make your home safe and energy efficient.

#### Health & Safety Measures

All combustion appliances will be tested for safety, based on the results it may include repairing or replacing the heating system or hot water heater. We also will install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms when needed.

#### Air Sealing

Cracks and openings allow outside air in and let conditioned inside air out. A cost effective way to help save energy, make your home more comfortable, and increase air quality is to reduce air leaks.

#### Insulation

Properly insulating your home will help stop the heat flow that occurs when air moves from warmer to cooler. So your house can maintain its heat in winter and its air conditioning in summer.

#### Ventilation

Adequate ventilation is key to ensuring adequate indoor air quality and reducing indoor air pollutants, as well as reducing mold and moisture issues.

**Ashtabula County Community Action Agency**

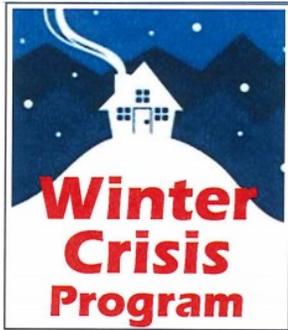
**FREE** for eligible households! Call today to see if you qualify!

For more information or an application call...  
440-997-5957 ext. 553 or 554  
or 1-800-252-5249 or visit [www.accaa.org](http://www.accaa.org)



**Apply Now!**  
**No Waiting!**

### The Winter Crisis Program Continues



The Winter Crisis Program is a utility assistance program provided through Ashtabula County Community Action Agency. The program can provide income eligible households with

once per heating season assistance with their main heating source.

The program began November 2nd and ends March 31st, 2021.

Due to Covid-19 things will be different this year from previous years. **The first big change is that there won't be any walk-ins or in-person appointments.** Instead all appointments will be over the phone. All applicants will need to have all of their required documentation in before their appointment time. They can do this in three ways.

1. They can fax all of their information to 440-997-6022.
2. They can email their information.
3. They can get copies made/ drop off copies at 6920 Austinburg Rd, Ashtabula.

The documents needed are much the same as previous years. They will need:

- A photo ID
- Proof of Income for the last 30 days (or 12 months if self employed or seasonally employed)
- Social security cards for all household members
- All pages of their current utility bill
- If renting they will also need the landlord's name, address, phone and rent amount

After they have collected and turned in all of their documentation they can call the appointment line at 440-381-8230 to set up their over-the-phone appointment.

To be eligible for the Winter Crisis Program the client must be an Ashtabula County resident and the household income must be at or below 175% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The account must be in the name of an adult household member. They must also meet at least one additional eligibility criteria: the account must be in disconnect status, have been shut off, need new service, need transfer of service, or have 25% (or less) bulk fuel supply remaining OR they have a household member that was diagnosed with Covid-19 in 2020.

Household /Family Size	50%	*100%*	175%
1	532	\$1,063	1,861
2	718	\$1,437	2,514
3	905	\$1,810	3,168
4	1,092	\$2,183	3,821
5	1,278	\$2,557	4,474
6	1,465	\$2,930	5,128
7	1,652	\$3,303	5,781
8	1,838	\$3,677	6,434
9	2,025	\$4,050	7,088
10	2,212	\$4,423	7,741



## Ashtabula County COVID-19 Guidelines

Ashtabula County is still red. Continue to follow the guidelines as instructed in Level 1 and Level 2:

- 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.
- **Additional Guidelines for red, or Level 3:**
- **Decrease in-person interactions with others.**
- **Consider necessary travel only.**
- **Limit attending gatherings of any number.**

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**By: Samantha Dragon**

**Have something you want featured?**

**Email [sdragon@accaa.org](mailto:sdragon@accaa.org) or call 440-990-1719**

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## COVID-19 Vaccine Update

Local Health Departments and healthcare centers have begun registration for the COVID-19 vaccine. According to the governors office, starting on the week of January 18th, Vaccine providers will begin receiving their first allotment of vaccines for those ages 80 and older. Every week after they will expand the age limit by five years. The week of January 25th vaccinations will be expanded to 75 and up, then the week of February 1st they will include those 70 and up, then on the week of February 8th they will expand to those 65 and up.

Individuals with severe congenital, developmental, or early-onset medical disorders, will be able to start getting vaccinated on the 25th of January. K-12 school employees can get the vaccine starting on the 1st of February.

Locations you can register for the vaccine are as follows:

- Ashtabula County Health Dept.— to Pre-Register call 440-576-3023 or go to [ashtabulacountyhealth.com](http://ashtabulacountyhealth.com)
- Ashtabula City Health Dept.— The scheduling hotline number is 440-992-7188. You may need to leave a message.
- Conneaut City Health Dept.— register online at [http://conneautohio.gov/news\\_detail\\_T5\\_R16.php](http://conneautohio.gov/news_detail_T5_R16.php) or call the health department at 440-593-3087.
- APMC— register by calling 440-994-2675.
- Signature Health— Information is available by calling 440-578-8203 or by visiting their website at [www.signaturehealthinc.org/locations/ashtabula](http://www.signaturehealthinc.org/locations/ashtabula).
- Giant Eagle— Ashtabula 440-992-6165 Geneva 440-466-3005.
- Discount Drugmart— Ashtabula 440-998-0663 Jefferson 440-576-3111.

**This is only a short highlight of some of the timely 2-1-1 resources, please contact 2-1-1 for more information.**