



*Mike DeWine, Governor*  
*Lori Criss, Director, OhioMHAS*

# **DeWine-Husted SFY 24-25 Budget**

## **Overview of Behavioral Health Priorities**

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# Today's Agenda

- Review of Governor Mike DeWine's budget priorities
- Highlights of OhioMHAS proposed budget
- Q&A



# Governor DeWine

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“We must not accept that mental illness and addiction are inevitable.

Or that some of these illnesses can’t be prevented.

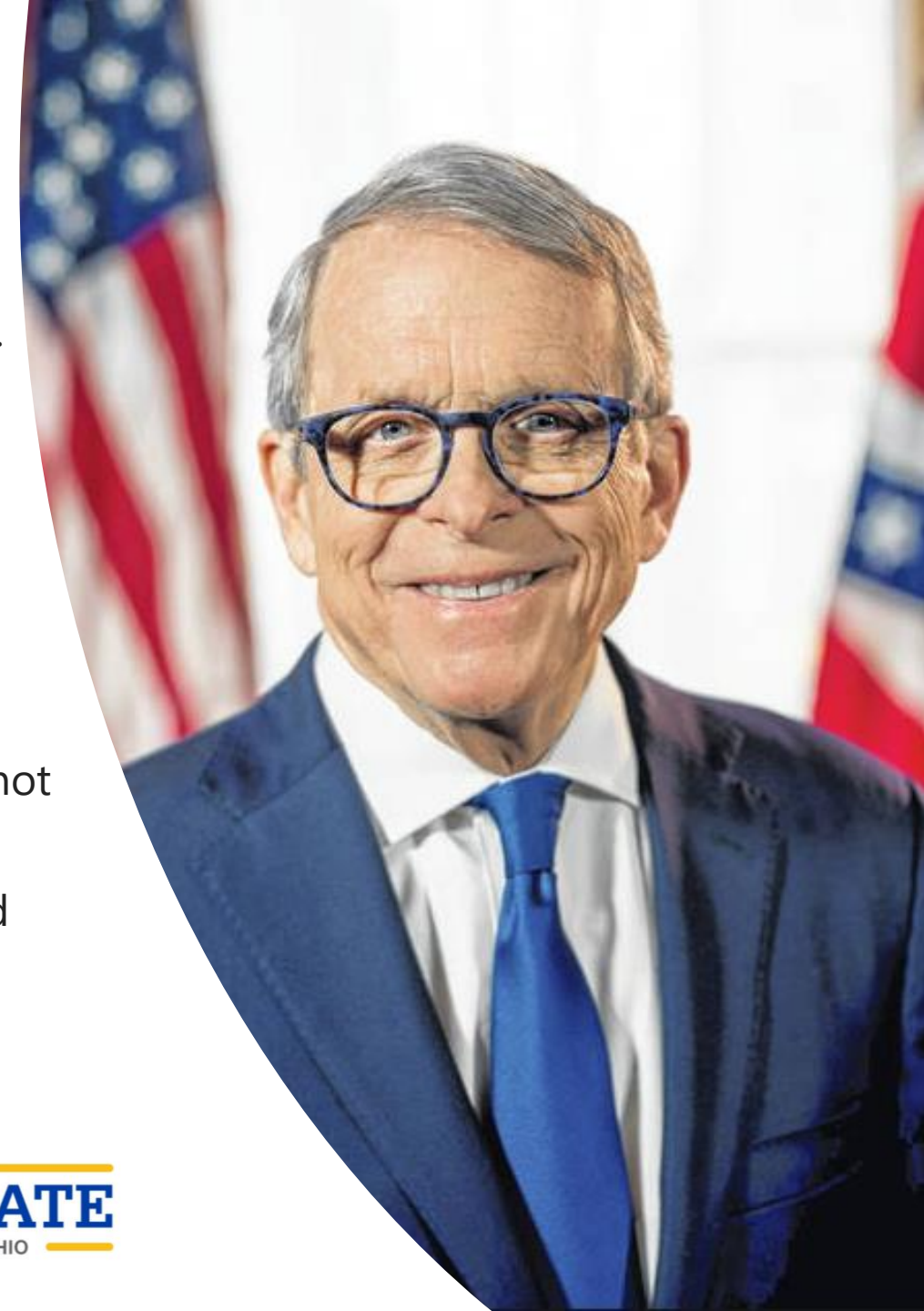
Or that we have advanced treatment as far as it will go.

Or that recovery is only for the few and the lucky.

None of these things are true.

What instead is true is that Ohioans know how to impact change. Ohioans don’t wait for others to solve our problems. That’s not who we are. It’s not in our DNA.

What IS in our DNA is a great passion for and history of research and innovation.... when we have a problem, we figure out solutions, and then the rest of the world FOLLOWS Ohio!”





**Bold Beginnings**

**Healthy People**

**Renewed Communities**

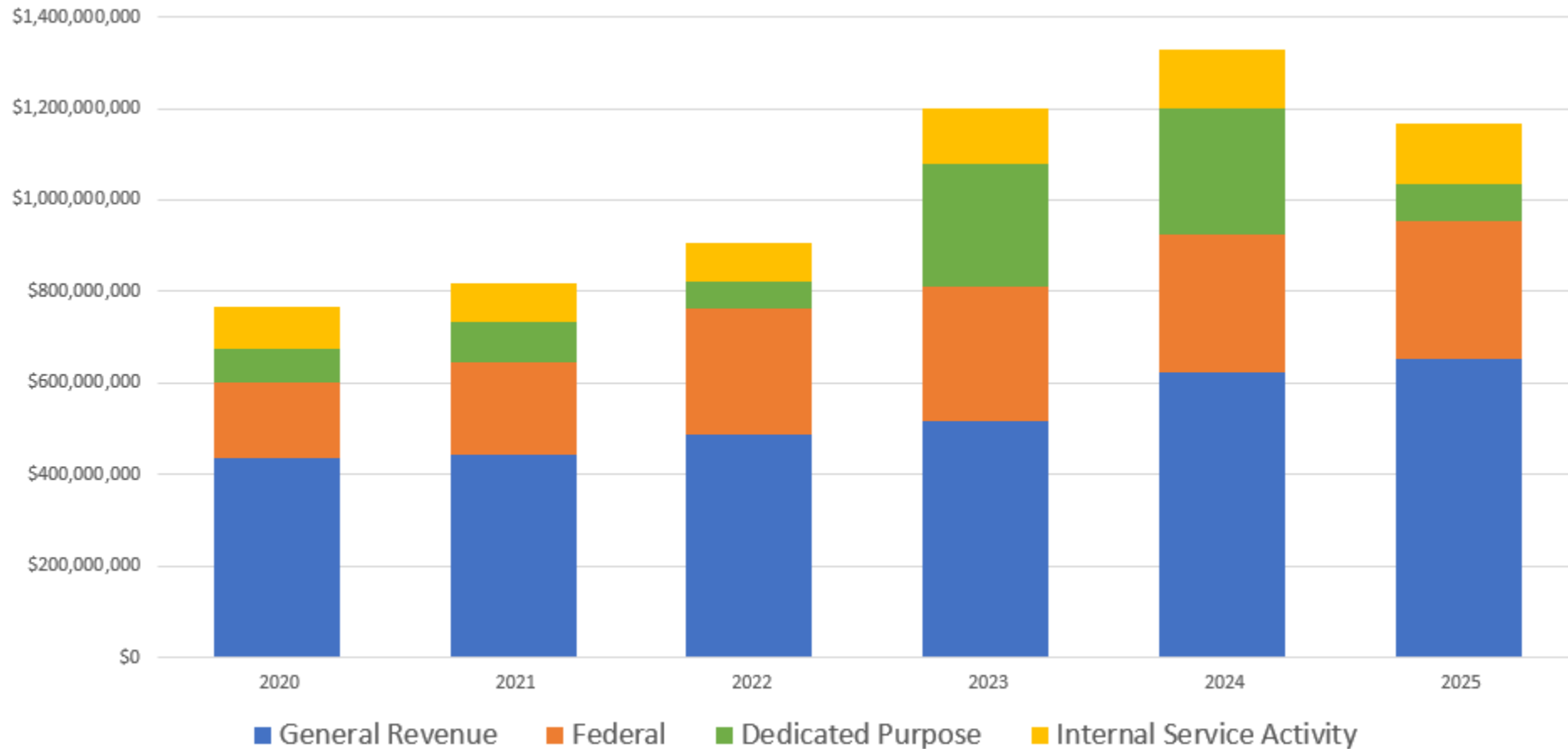
**Thriving Economy**

# OhioMHAS Budget Priorities: **OhioTHRIVES**

- Continued Focus on Prevention and Early Identification for Children, Youth, and Families
- Strengthening Focus on Adults with Serious Mental Illness
- Protecting Community Funding for a Full Continuum of Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Supports
- Growing Ohio's Crisis Continuum: Connect, Respond, Stabilize, and Thrive
- Meeting the Needs of Criminal Justice-Involved Ohioans
- Supporting the State's Regional Psychiatric Hospitals Safety Net
- Growing a Strong and Supported Workforce



# OhioMHAS Budget by Fund Group



**FY2025 Note:** Our agency's Dedicated Purpose Funds in fiscal years 2023 and 2024 contain almost \$400 million in up-front funding for new and expanded programs. The budget bill contains authority to carry that funding forward through the new biennium as we accomplish that work.



# Supporting Healthy People in **All** of Ohio's Communities

## Supporting Healthy People in the Community Expanding Ohio's Continuum of Care



### GROW COMMUNITY CAPACITY



Independent Housing



Permanent Supportive Housing/Adult Care Facility/Recovery Housing



Short-term Residential for Hospital Diversion or Step-Down

Prevention • Housing • Employment • Day Services • Outpatient Treatment  
Short-term residential treatment and step down centers to reduce hospital stays

### SUSTAIN



Public and Private Psychiatric Hospitals for Civil and Forensic Patients

Acute inpatient clinical care

988/Crisis Line • Mobile Crisis Teams



Crisis Stabilization Centers • Post-crisis Wraparound

### WORKFORCE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

Ohioans will benefit from expanded community-based outpatient treatment and supports; added housing options; more residential treatment options; and increased capacity for crisis response. Investments in these areas allow for care, treatment, and recovery to occur at home and in the community, instead of in institutions.







# At the Center of This Work: **Ohioans.**









# What does it take to THRIVE?

Prevention

Treatment

Recovery

	 Health	 Home	 Purpose	 Community
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prevention education and mental health promotion for Ohioans of all ages at home, school, work, and in the community.</li> <li>Screenings and early intervention in childcare, pediatric, and primary care.</li> <li>Suicide prevention.</li> <li>Gambling disorder prevention.</li> <li>Stigma reduction.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced safety and quality of permanent supportive housing, recovery housing, subsidized independent living.</li> <li>Increased residential support supplement (RSS) for at-risk Ohioans.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>After school programs.</li> <li>School attendance and degree attainment.</li> <li>Career education and training attainment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student Wellness and Success Funds.</li> <li>Student Assistance Programs in schools.</li> <li>Community Coalitions.</li> <li>Mental Health First Aid.</li> <li>Crisis Intervention Training.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>988 and crisis services.</li> <li>Overdose prevention.</li> <li>Expanded access to integrated care.</li> <li>Expanded outpatient treatment.</li> <li>Increased hospital access.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue quality initiatives (social, employment, peer, and medical supports) in group living for adults with mental illness.</li> <li>More step-down residential options and housing choices for Ohioans recovering from mental illness and substance use disorders.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Employment.</li> <li>Supported employment.</li> <li>Peer support.</li> <li>Clubhouse expansion.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leveraging technology.</li> <li>Specialized dockets.</li> <li>Enhanced behavioral health services and recovery supports in jails and prisons.</li> <li>Better collaboration with hospitals for discharge planning and with jails and prisons for community reentry.</li> <li>Expanded forensic center capacity.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stigma reduction.</li> <li>Support and navigation to promote treatment engagement.</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer Run Organizations, Recovery Community Organizations, Consumer Operated Services.</li> <li>Clubhouse expansion.</li> </ul>

Workforce | Infrastructure | Innovation



# OhioMHAS SFY24-25 Budget Priorities for Ohio's Youth and Families

Growing Coordinated  
Systems of Care

Enhancing Peer Support  
Services

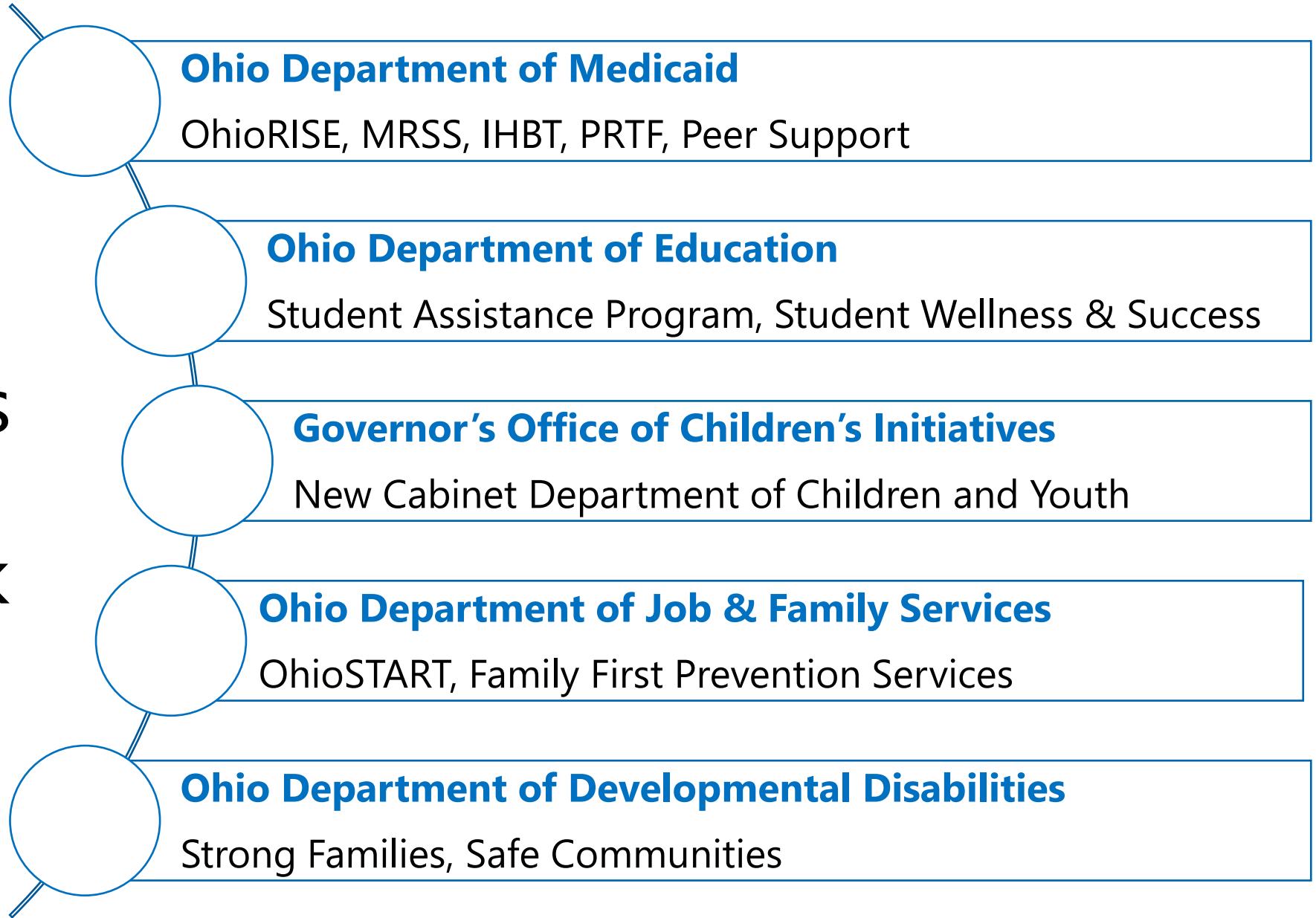
Increasing Early  
Childhood Intervention  
and Maternal Supports

Building Resiliency and  
Protective Factors

Developing Partnerships  
with Primary Pediatric  
Care

Crisis Services and 988

# Key Partnerships in Youth & Family Work





## Building Resiliency through Prevention and Early Identification

*\$66.2M across the biennium*



### **PRIORITY**

Promote mental health awareness and resiliency to help Ohioans of all ages achieve their full potential through:

- Prevention, early intervention, and suicide prevention priorities of Ohio's 2020 Suicide Prevention Plan, to increase the number of screenings and Ohioans trained to recognize warning signs and promote protective factors, resiliency, and stigma-reduction, specifically for at-risk populations (\$23.2M).
- Early childhood intervention and maternal supports, giving children and their parents and caregivers the necessary resources for a healthy and successful start to life (\$43M; moved to the newly proposed Department of Children and Youth).



### **REAL RESULTS FOR OHIOANS**

- Over 10,200 children in Ohio have received services with an Early Childhood Mental Health consultant.

# Improving Older Adults' Health: Need for Cross-System Training



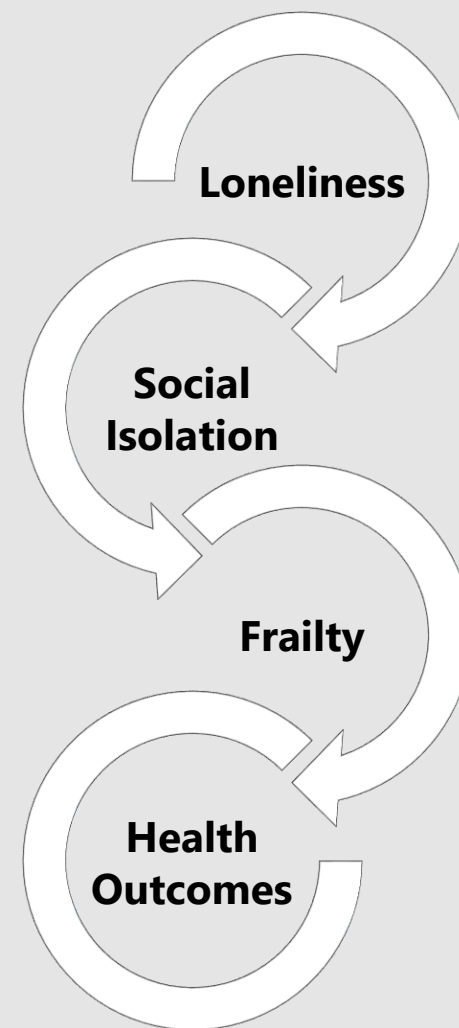
INTERSECTIONALITY WITH  
PRIMARY CARE AND  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH



DECLINING HEALTH RELATES  
TO SOCIAL ISOLATION AND  
LONELINESS



Loneliness is linked to morbidity and mortality in older adults.



# OhioMHAS SFY24-25 Budget Priorities for Ohio Adults with Serious Mental Illness

**600K**  
Ohio Adults with Serious Mental Illness

Growing Access to Wellness and Coordinated Systems of Care

Recovery Services Expansion

Expanded Inpatient Access

Expanded Criminal Justice and Forensic Services

Increased Housing Options and Enhanced Quality

**Crisis Services and 988**

**1.4 Million**

Ohio Adults **with** a Mental Health Diagnosis

**7.2 Million**

Ohio Adults **without** a Mental Health Diagnosis

*\*All numbers based on prevalence estimates*

# Growing Access to Wellness, Coordinated Systems of Care, and Recovery Supports

*\$25.5M across the biennium*



## **PRIORITY**

Continue to grow coordinated recovery supports with the goal of achieving wellness and reducing costly hospital admissions and jail stays.

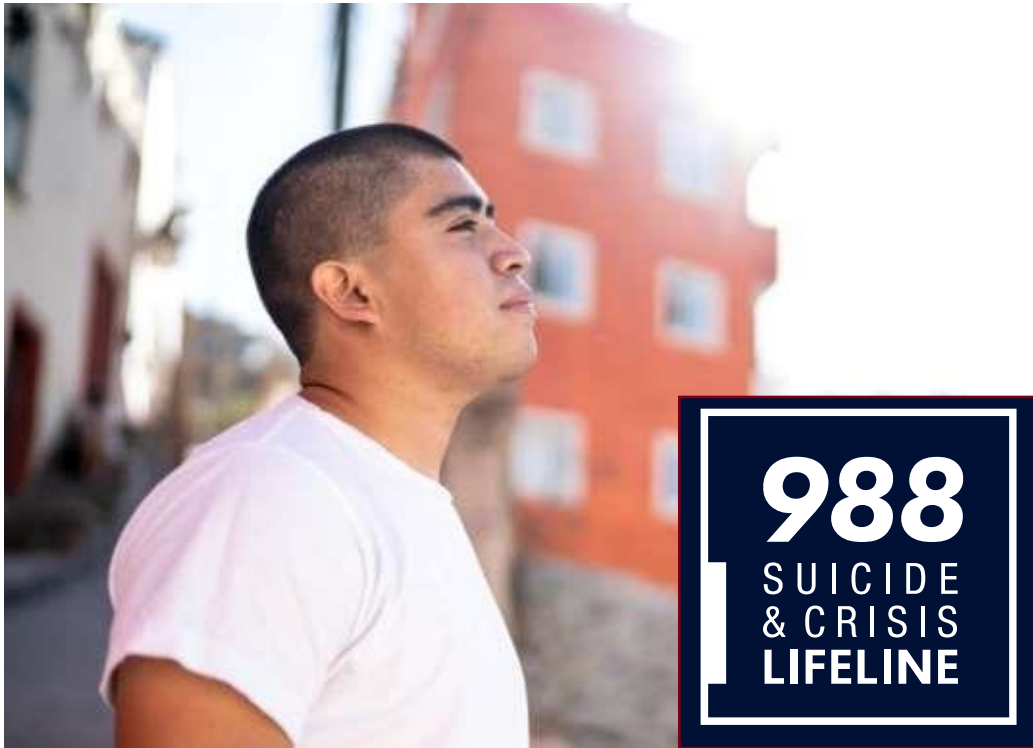
- Grow *Access to Wellness* (formerly Multi-System Adult project) to connect Ohioans with SMI with needed resources like housing, transportation, medication, and employment supports (\$18M).
- Support expansion of the Clubhouse model to offer meaningful activities like employment supports, life skills training, and social connectedness (\$2.5M).
- Grow peer recovery centers and family support (\$5M).



## **REAL RESULTS FOR OHIOANS**

### **Access to Wellness (MSA pilot)**

- Over 1,000 Ohioans served since beginning of the pilot. 79% of participants did not experience hospitalization and 90% were not incarcerated (July-Dec 2022).



## Growing Crisis Services and 988

*\$86.5M across the biennium*



### **PRIORITY**

Provide Ohioans in crisis with an appropriate behavioral health care response, connect them to needed supports close to home, and reduce the burden on local law enforcement and emergency departments through:

- Supporting the ongoing operations of 988 in Ohio (\$46.5M).
- Continued flexible funding to help grow Ohio's local crisis services and infrastructure through locally identified needs and gaps that provide Ohioans with an appropriate response and safe place to have their crisis needs met (\$40M).



### **REAL RESULTS FOR OHIOANS**

- 988 Lifeline Centers receive over 10,000 calls, chats, and texts each month from Ohioans seeking help.



# Increasing Housing Options and Enhancing Quality

*\$62M across the biennium*



## **PRIORITY**

Support quality housing options for Ohioans living with and recovering from mental health and substance use disorders by:

- Increasing the Residential State Supplement (\$48M).
- Providing grants for enhancing residential quality (\$2M) and landlord incentives (\$2M).
- Continued support to help people with mental illness and substance use disorders successfully reenter their community upon release from Ohio's prisons (\$10M).



## **REAL RESULTS FOR OHIOANS**

### **Community Transition Rapid Rehousing**

- CTP has assisted nearly 1,200 people in successfully obtaining housing upon their release from prison. In FY22, fewer than 3% of those helped returned to prison.



# Expanded Criminal Justice and Forensic Services

*\$72.6M across the biennium*



## **PRIORITY**

Help criminal-justice-involved Ohioans connect with treatment and recovery supports through:

- Enhancing forensic center capacity for court-ordered evaluations and monitoring (\$18.58M).
- Continued support for specialty courts (\$24.5M).
- Improving the ability of jails to offer addiction services, psychotropic medications, and re-entry programs to help these Ohioans receive the care they need with the goal of reducing recidivism and increasing public safety (\$29.5M).



## **REAL RESULTS FOR OHIOANS**

### **Specialty Courts**

- These courts helped over 7,400 Ohioans, resulting in a 2% recidivism rate at Ohio's prisons and less than 2% rate at juvenile facilities (FY22).



# Expanded Inpatient Access for Acute Level Care

*\$32M across the biennium*



## **PRIORITY**

Expand state hospital bed capacity, ensure patient and hospital staff safety, and alleviate stress placed on adjacent systems, such as local jails and courts through:

- Growing State Hospital capacity by more than 75 beds and added staffing support (\$18M).
- Leveraging the availability of beds at private psychiatric hospitals (\$14M).



## **REAL RESULTS FOR OHIOANS**

### **Hospital Access Program**

- By leveraging available private hospital beds in communities across Ohio, over 3,000 vulnerable Ohioans have received timely access to inpatient care.

# Growing a Strong and Supported Workforce

*\$14.5M across the biennium*



## **PRIORITY**

In conjunction with federal funding allocated for workforce initiatives, the MHAS budget contains funding to support the contemporary practice needs of behavioral health professionals through:

- Continued support for Ohio's Centers of Excellence, OCAM, and a Technical Assistance Center to provide educational and training opportunities around evidence-based best practices, data sharing, and learning collaboratives (\$14.5M).
- Reimbursement strategies that support Ohio's families, workforce, and economy.



## **REAL RESULTS FOR OHIOANS**

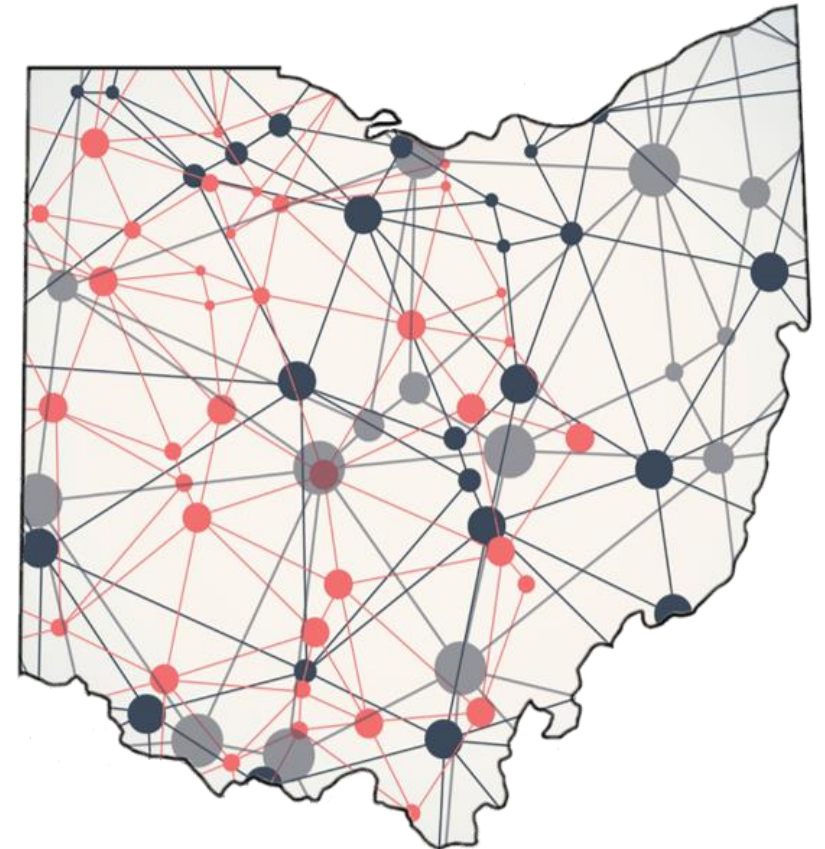
### **Growing Ohio's Peer Specialist Network**

- Ohio now offers three types of Peer Supporter certifications, and nearly 6,000 Ohioans have successfully completed Peer Supporter training.



# Investing in Innovation and Research: State of Ohio Action for Resiliency Network (SOAR)

- Get to the root causes of mental illness and addiction.
- Uncover biological and environmental aspects of resiliency in the face of adversity.
- Develop new ways of preventing and treating mental illness and addiction.
- Train Ohio's behavioral health workforce in cutting edge practices.
- Improve outcomes for Ohio's diverse people and communities.



# Continuing the Fight Against Addiction

- **Harnessing State Opioid and Stimulant (SOS) Federal Funds**  
Since 2019, nearly 32,000 Ohioans have been served through the SOR grant programs, and Ohio is performing consistently or above national outcomes.

Healthy Behavior	U.S. Change at 6-mos	Ohio Change at 6 mos.
Did not use illegal drugs or alcohol	Increased 36.2%	Increased 34.1%
No arrests in 30 days	Increased 3.4%	Increased 8.0%
Currently employed or in school	Increased 46.6%	Increased 61.8%
Socially connected	Increased 4.4%	Increased 0.6%
Permanent place to live	Increased 21.9%	Increased 30.9%
No alcohol or illegal drug-related health, behavioral, or social consequences in last 30 days	Increased 26.3%	Increased 24.9%



Source: SPARS data extracted 04.24.2022. Analysis by SAMHSA



# Continuing the Fight Against Addiction

- Maternal Opiate Medical Supports (MOMS)
- Recovery Housing supports
- Increasing access to Medication Assisted Treatment and Mobile MAT pilot
- Addiction Treatment Program



# Key Policy Initiatives

## 1. **Promote the safety and well-being of people served by OhioMHAS regulated hospitals, providers, and residential facilities.**

- by requiring applicants for licensure or certification to be in good standing in Ohio and all other jurisdictions where the applicant operates,
- by requiring national accreditation for all certifiable services and supports by the bill's effective date for initial applications and by Oct. 1, 2025, for renewal applications, and
- by requiring all mental health, alcohol, and addiction treatment providers to be certified by OhioMHAS unless exempt under state law.

# Key Policy Initiatives

## **2. Providing flexibility to counties.**

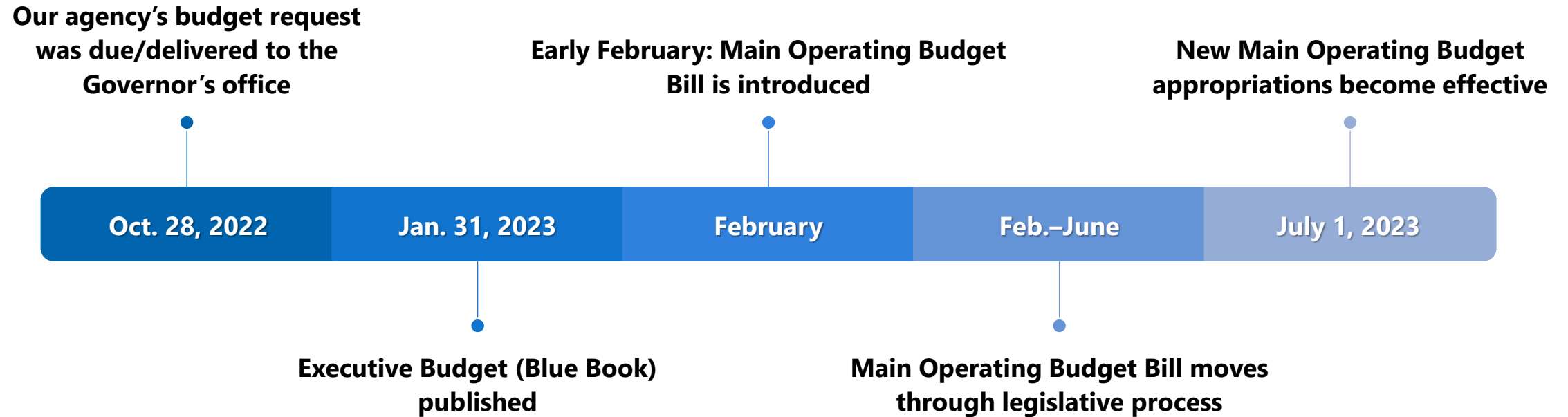
- by giving county courts cash management authority to manage their indigent driver alcohol treatment funds, and
- by combining the Psychotropic Drug Reimbursement program and the Jail MAT reimbursement program into the Behavioral Health Drug Reimbursement Program to provide more flexibility to counties for treating people in county jails.

# Key Policy Initiatives

## **3. Ensuring the quality of Recovery Housing in communities all around the state.**

- by requiring OhioMHAS to either certify recovery housing residences or accept accreditation or its equivalent of the service of recovery housing from the National Alliance for Recovery Residences (NARR), Oxford House, or any other organization designated by OhioMHAS beginning Jan. 1, 2025.

# Budget Timeline





# Budget Resources and Contacts

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