Advocates for Ohio’s Future
Political and Field Call

Featuring:

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Cindy Farson, Director of Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (COAAA)

Nora Nees, Director of Child and Senior Nutrition of the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks (OASHF)
Today’s Agenda

- 10:00-10:05 Introductions and Purpose - Will Petrik
- 10:05-10:15 Margaret Hulbert - News conference debrief, philanthropic perspective, new revenue discussion
- 10:15-10:30 Gayle Channing Tenenbaum - Mental health, Child welfare, Early Care & Education, DD asks
- 10:30-10:38 Cindy Farson - HB 153 and Aging Community
- 10:38-10:46 Nora Nees - Growing poverty, food and fuel costs, need for emergency food assistance
- 10:46-10:50 Will - Key dates, Action Alert, social media
- 10:50-11:00 Q and A
Sub HB 153 (State Budget, FY 2012-2013)

Margaret Hulbert

Strategic Resources & Public Policy, United Way of Greater Cincinnati and co-Chair of Advocates for Ohio’s Future
Philanthropic community cannot fill the funding gap

- Nationally, charitable giving dropped an estimated 3.6% in 2009
- In Ohio, similar story:
  - Over ½ of foundations reported ↓ in funding and ↑ in number of grant requests
- Philanthropic community needs the support of government
- Ohio’s safety net services and the role of private, non-profit and government support
Additional Revenue?

- Additional revenue likely to become available
- Where should the money go?
  - Rainy Day fund?
  - More tax breaks?
- Additional revenue should be prioritized for basic needs including health, human services and early care & education
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Mental Health asks

• Invest additional $13.5 million per year for ODADAS 401 line item supporting non-Medicaid addiction treatment, prevention and education community services

• Invest additional $45 million per year for ODMH 501 line item Medicaid services for adults with serious mental illnesses and children with severe emotional disorders

• Invest additional $12.5 million per year for ODMH line item 505

• Invest $3.8 million for the early childhood mental health consultation program
Child Welfare asks

• $4 million for Kinship Permancy Incentive Program

• $7 million for Adoption Assistance Program
Early Care & Education asks

- Help Me Grow
- $3 million request in Help Me Grow GRF line item
People with Disabilities asks

• 27,000 persons with Developmental Disabilities are waiting for home and community based services.

• Ohio should extend the Home First law to people with disabilities under 60
  • people in danger of institutionalization will benefit from waiver services
  • would add to the savings realized by the state.

• Money should follow the person - what would have been spent on institutionalization should be utilized to provide home and community based services.
The Aging Network:
What is in HB 153 for Aging?

Cindy Farson, Director
Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (o4a)
Amended Sub HB 153
2012-13 Biennium Budget

• Creates Unified Budget – Aging Medicaid waivers are in the ODJFS budget line 600 525

• Embraces the concept of balancing Medicaid long-term care budget

• Increases the number of people served in HCBS waivers 15%
The Budget Doesn’t Add Up for Waivers

(↓Provider rates ↓3% - $38 Million)

+ (↓Care Plan -- ↓8% and ↓15% - $98 million)

+ (↓AAA Staff ↓15% - $24 Million)

+ (↑Growth ↑15%)

+ (Current Operating Rules)

= Unrealistic Deliverables ($160 Million Reduced Expenditures*)

*Source: LSC Redbook
Requesting Amendments

• $57 million (state GRF) needed to keep program at current levels

• Rule and waiver changes that can reduce costs in a thoughtful way

• Stakeholder and legislative input on planned combined unified waiver including aging and under 60 physically disabled waivers
More Cuts to the Aging Network

- Adult Protective Services have taken a 10% cut from an already critically underfunded line – propose $50 funeral fee to generate $5.4 million and guarantee staff for each county.
- Senior Community Services Block Grant, Alzheimer’s funding, LTC Ombudsman are cut an additional 10%
- The second year of the biennium is open to changing Medicaid delivery without reference to stakeholder or legislative input.
THANK YOU!

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Growing poverty, underemployment and wage stagnation plague Ohio.

The bottom 5th of earners (median income $9,846.00) spend 35.6% of their income on food and 9.4% of their income on gas.

 Hits those on fixed and low incomes hardest.
Income


Median Earnings for Ohio Workers

$28,200.00

$28,000.00

$27,800.00

$27,600.00

$27,400.00

$27,200.00

$27,000.00

$26,800.00
Food Costs

Market Basket Prices, BLS Consumer Price Index

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Diesel and Gas Costs

Diesel Fuel Avg. Cost - 4 years
Data thru 05/16/2011
Rising Need for Emergency Food

Support OASHF request: support an amendment to provide an additional $4.5 million per year ($9 million over 2012/2013)
Key Upcoming Dates

- Thursday, May 26 - Amendments are due to the Senate Finance Committee
- Wednesday, June 1 - expect to see Senate Sub-Bill
- June 2-3 - Testimony on Senate Sub-Bill
- June 6-10 week (early) - Omnibus amendt to Senate Floor that week for passage
- On to Conference Committee
  - where, if there is additional revenue, it will be distributed or not
Learn More and Stay Involved

- **HHS news and Information:** [http://www.advocatesforohio.org/health-human-services-news](http://www.advocatesforohio.org/health-human-services-news)


- **Next Field and Political Webinar:** Tues, June 14 3-4:00 p.m.

  Register Here:
  - [http://www.anymeeting.com/PIID=E951DF87844A](http://www.anymeeting.com/PIID=E951DF87844A)
Take Action:

• Call the office of Senator Chris Widener (Chairman of Senate Finance); 614-466-3780

Please send the following message:

• Any new revenue must be prioritized for health, human services, and early care & education programs

• Send an email to your senator and Senator Widener through an Advocates for Ohio’s Future action alert:
  • http://go.advocatesforohio.org/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=6825
How Organizations Can Help

- **Endorse** Advocates for Ohio’s Future
- Educate your board, staff, volunteers, and clients
- **Recruit** other agencies and organizations to endorse
- Invite AOF to community meetings to educate and build support
- Meet with elected officials
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