

HEALTHIER BUCKEYE INITIATIVE

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In context:

OJFS Office
of
Human Services Innovation

1. Comprehensive Case Management
2. Healthier Buckeye Initiative



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**What will you do to take what
you and your community are
doing to the next level using ...**

Healthier Buckeye?



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What do we mean by ...

Healthier Buckeye?



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What is this Initiative about?

- It grew out of ...
- Community centered
- Policy template ...



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Policy template focus:

- Peer leading and mentoring
- Volunteers; low cost; leverage existing resources
- Incentives to encourage healthy choices
- Build on proven programs

How do you move forward?

- Community leadership
- Identify partners
- County commissioners set the council
- An example ...



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Wayne County used: The Common Good

1. Anazao Community Partners
2. Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities
3. Community Action of Wayne/Medina
4. Goodwill Industries, Inc.
5. Mature Services Employment Training Solutions
6. Mental Health and Recovery Board of Wayne and Holmes Counties



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Wayne County used: The Common Good

7. Ohio Department of Ohio Means Jobs
8. The Counseling Center of Wayne and Holmes Counties
9. Adult & Community Education, Wayne County Schools Career Center
10. The Ohio State Agricultural & Technical Institute



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Wayne County used: The Common Good

- 11.The University of Akron – Wayne College
- 12. Wayne County Dept. of Job & Family Services/
Ohio Means Jobs
- 13.Wayne Economic Development Council, Inc.
- 14.Wayne County Public Library
- 15.Wayne Metropolitan Housing



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Leveraging existing resources

- Many services now
- Tighten cooperative focus on individuals
- Opportunity for RFPs
- \$5.5 million and \$6 million



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RFP scoring criteria ... in ORC

- Use of volunteers and peer supports (cost)
- Intensive case management
- Commitment to cooperative alignments
- Evidence of effectiveness

Healthier Buckeye target examples

- Foster youth
- Individuals in recovery
- Parents with unplanned pregnancy
- Criminally adjudicated



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Healthier Buckeye target examples

- SNAP recipients
- Scouts
- New hires
- Newly unemployed



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Healthier Buckeye target examples

- Church group projects
- Students recruited or advised



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Fully functional local council ...

- Peer participants
- Private sector employers
- Faith-based volunteers
- Education
- Justice system
- Education community



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Questions

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