

## OhioGuidestone, IFCI Support HHS Levy Issue 33

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Each day at [OhioGuidestone](#), we witness the incredible impact that health and social services can have on the lives of families and communities. This includes the remarkable strides of those on the pathway to recovery, homes with [more joy and improved parent/child relationships](#), and children thriving in quality early care and education settings. Therefore, we are proud supporters of [Cuyahoga County Health and Human Services Levy Issue 33](#).

We all stand to gain from a healthy and resilient local community. To that end, this levy helps to support an important safety net for residents. We undoubtedly are affected in numerous ways when our neighbors suffer, from abuse, neglect, substance use disorder, and other issues. Local funding is essential to fill gaps in service needs that would otherwise go unmet, likely leading to increased costs down the road. Furthermore, the levy is an important reminder that most of us will rely on support from our community at some point in our lives.

Due to changes in life circumstances or the additional help individuals often require as they age, research suggests that seeking health and social service support in times of need is commonplace. Supporting Issue 33 is an important step in ensuring that we maintain a robust network of quality services as a safeguard against the inevitable challenges we will all likely face.

The deep challenges facing our communities persist. And, therefore, we must persevere in our efforts to tackle them head-on. **[Our mission](#) is to enhance lives and build stronger communities for individuals at all stages of life.** We do this through [innovation](#), [research and evaluation](#), [professional training and development](#), and [advocacy](#). We know firsthand how critical levy support is for local residents of all ages. That's why we are enthusiastic to support the passage of Issue 33.

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