



*Improving the Lives of Older Adults and People with Disabilities
Through Services, Research, and Education*

September 12, 2022

The Honorable Mike DeWine
Governor of Ohio
1 Capitol Square
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Governor Mike DeWine:

I am pleased to inform you that the Ohio State Plan on Aging under the Older Americans Act for October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2026 has been approved.

The State Plan outlines significant activities that will serve as a guide for Ohio's aging service network during the next four years. Of particular note is your prioritization of improving community conditions, healthy living, and access to care for older adults and family caregivers.

The Administration for Community Living recognizes the on-going and difficult challenges faced by the Ohio Department of Aging during the current pandemic. I appreciate your commitment and dedication to ensure the continuity of quality services and am delighted to see that the Ohio Department of Aging continues to serve as an effective and visible advocate for older adults and family caregivers at a state level.

The Administration for Community Living looks forward to working with you and the Ohio Department of Aging in the implementation of the State Plan. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Amy Wiatr-Rodriguez, Regional Administrator, at 312-938-9858. I value your dedication and commitment toward improving the lives of older persons in Ohio.

Sincerely,

Alison Barkoff
Acting Administrator/Assistant Secretary for Aging

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Alice Kelsey, Deputy Director, Administration on Aging