



## OHIO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE STATEMENT ON STATE OPERATING BUDGET

The Ohio Municipal League would like to express our appreciation for Governor DeWine and the members of the 134th General Assembly for their time and dedication in crafting the two-year state operating budget. Although there remain significant challenges for Ohio's municipalities, the final budget addressed many priority issues for municipalities, such as investing in Brownfield remediation, broadband expansion, affordable housing, support for law enforcement and our first responder community, and many more. We remain deeply concerned about the inclusion of language making changes made to the income tax withholding provision and the preemption of municipalities to exercise local control when protecting the environment and working with the business community to regulate single-use plastic products.

The state's investment in Ohio's hometowns is critical to the recovery of our state as we emerge from the pandemic. We look forward to continuing to partner together with the legislature and the DeWine Administration ensure a bright future for all Ohioans.