

HIGHLAND COUNTY OF COMMERCE
Chamber

April 26, 2022

Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
7954 Beechmont Ave.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45255

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

The Highland County Chamber of Commerce is proud to support Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County.

Our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for our members to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Regards,

Jamie M. Wheeler

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Executive Director

Greenfield Exempted Village School District

200 North Fifth Street

Greenfield, Ohio 45123

Quincey Gray
Superintendent

April 26, 2022

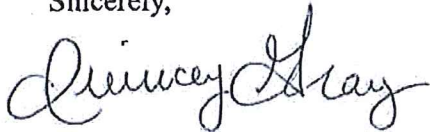
Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
7954 Beechmont Avenue
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Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of the Greenfield Exempted Village School District, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for those in the community to find employees because there are not enough flexible options for childcare, the high cost of childcare, and the general lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,



Quincey Gray, Superintendent

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District Director
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Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of Fairfield Local Schools, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

Tim Dettwiller
Superintendent
Fairfield Local Schools



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Alex Scharfetter
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Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,
On behalf of Highland County Emergency Management Agency, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

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David Bushelman
Director Highland County EMA

David Bushelman, Director

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Alex Scharfetter
District Director
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Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of Family Recovery Services, a provider of behavioral health services, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. The high cost of childcare together with minimal flexible options and a lack of access to affordable, reliable childcare often affect access to services for those we serve in our community. Additionally, it also creates a burden for staff members and potential employees that serve our community.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

Roger Cheesbro M.Ed., LPCC-S, LICDC-CS
Chief Executive Officer



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Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of FRS Transportation, a rural public transit provider, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. The high cost of childcare together with minimal flexible options and a lack of access to affordable, reliable childcare often creates a burden for staff members and potential employees that serve the transportation needs of our community.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Roger Cheesbro', is written over a circular stamp or seal.

Roger Cheesbro M.Ed., LPCC-S, LICDC-CS
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Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of South Central Ohio Transit, a contract provider of transportation services, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. The high cost of childcare together with minimal flexible options and a lack of access to affordable, reliable childcare often creates a burden for staff members and potential employees that serve the transportation needs of our community.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

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April 26, 2022

Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
7954 Beechmont Ave.

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of Highland County Health Department, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, high cost, and a lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Jared Warner, MEM, RS
Health Commissioner

HIGHLAND COUNTY
Family and Children First Council
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April 26, 2022

Alex Scharfetter
District Director
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7954 Beechmont Ave.

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

Greenfield, which is located in Highland County, Ohio, has no center-based childcare programs beside the Head Start preschool program, the First Presbyterian Church preschool program, and the public-school district preschool program. All of these childcare options service children ages 3-5 through a typical school day operation.

This represents an incredible need for services in this high-risk county. There are many families in Greenfield who would benefit from local childcare. Center-based services prepare children and their families for school.

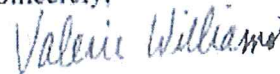
Childcare has been a top identified need throughout all of Highland County but must specifically in Greenfield. Recently, Highland County Community Action Organization purchased and renovated the building. The building houses all of the Head Start and Early Head Start children. Additional childcare would like to be pursued which could include 2nd and 3rd shift availability for families. Many families in this county struggle with employment, child care, housing, drug abuse, teen pregnancy, high school drop-outs and poverty.

Studies indicate early intervention is the key to success. This proposed childcare program would offer early intervention within families that are high risk. The program will provide these children with some of the tools to help them succeed in later years of schooling and life.

The proposed program would expand the availability of child care and school readiness to improve the quality of services being delivered to families in the communities. This would also guarantee children are being cared for in a safe and caring environment.

The Highland County Family and Children First Council is in support of this grant funding application. It would be a wonderful opportunity for our county to be able to provide more childcare options for families that are working or going to school.

Sincerely,



Valerie Williams
Highland County FCFC Coordinator



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April 25, 2022

Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
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Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of the Bucks Community Church, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for young families to find employment because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

J. Mark Current, Pastor



Greenfield
Medical Center

April 25, 2022

Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
7954 Beechmont Ave.

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of Adena Greenfield Medical Center, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

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Josh McCoy
Senior Operations Executive Officer
Adena Greenfield Medical Center



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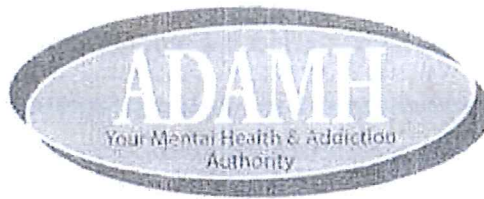
Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of Alternatives to Violence Center, our organization recognizes the **need for expanded childcare** options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

Dara Gullette
Director
Alternatives to Violence Center



April 26, 2022

Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
7954 Beechmont Ave, Suite 200
Cincinnati, OH 45255

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of the Paint Valley Alcohol, Drug Addiction, Mental Health Services Board (ADAMH), our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost of and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

Penny Dehner, Executive Director

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April 25, 2022

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District Director
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7954 Beechmont Ave.

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of the Bright Local School District, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

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Mike Bick, Superintendent

Bright Local Schools

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PROBATION DEPARTMENT**

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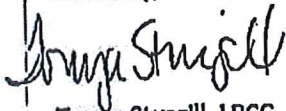
Alex Scharfetter
District Director
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7954 Beechmont Ave.

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of the Highland Co Probation Department, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,



Tonya Sturgill, LPCC
Highland County Probation
Program Director/Drug Court Coordinator



THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, OHIO

Justin Harsha, Mayor - Brianne Abbott, Safety & Service Director

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April 26, 2022

Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
7954 Beechmont Ave.

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of The City of Hillsboro, our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. It is pertinent to have accessible childcare facilities within the area as it plays a huge factor in keeping the children healthy and safe, as well as parents employed and businesses open.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

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Justin Harsha, Mayor

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April 25, 2022

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District Director
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7954 Beechmont Ave.

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

On behalf of Highland County Community Action Organization, Inc., our organization recognizes the need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County. Childcare accessibility directly impacts the organizations and businesses that employ working parents. It is often difficult for us to find employees because there are not enough flexible options, the high cost and lack of access to childcare. Access to stable, high – quality child care can help parents improve their labor productivity by increasing work hours, missing fewer work days and even pursuing further education or career training. It also enables mothers to enter the workforce which pays for itself through increases in family income.

While the workforce and families have changed dramatically, necessary steps need to be made to help support them. Readily available and affordable child care is paramount in finding a solution.

As the number of two working parents continues to increase, the demand for reliable and affordable child care will grow. The need for child care has never been greater because a tough economy demands both parents to work to keep their heads above water. Child care makes it possible for low income or sole support parents to take advantage of employment opportunities.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Highland County
Community Action
Organization, Inc. strives to empower
individuals and
families, through
opportunities and
support, to achieve
self-sufficiency.

Sincerely,

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Ruth Cutright, Human Resource Director

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April 27, 2022

Mr. Alex Scharfetter
District Director
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (OH-2)
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Cincinnati, OH 45255

Dear District Director Alex Scharfetter,

The need for expanded childcare options throughout Highland County has reached a critical level. Limited access to high-quality childcare is among the most often cited barriers to employment among those seeking employment and those aiming to fill vacancies. At Southern State Community College, the story is the same for individuals who want to pursue skilled training or education. Too often, a student's best-intentioned plans are hijacked when they face the added challenge of securing reliable and affordable care for their family. As a leading education and training provider in the region, Southern State supports any approach to expand and strengthen our childcare network across the county and region.

We encourage your support of Highland County Community Action Organization's efforts to expand the opportunity for additional and accessible childcare within Highland County. We ask that you encourage Congressman Wenstrup to include funding for this within his proposal for Congressional Directed Spending.

Thank you for your consideration of support. I am happy to expand on my comments if you wish. I can be reached at nroades@sscc.edu or 937-763-0198.

Sincerely,

Nicole Rodes, Ph.D.
Vice President of Academic Affairs

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