Dear MVCDC Families,

Happily, we have no new COVID-19 cases to report! As it gets colder and we move indoors, it will be increasingly critical to keep our guards up. Please keep your entire family safe!

If you or someone you know is struggling to pay their rent or mortgage, financial help is available. Montgomery County is partnering with The HomeOwnership Center and the Miami Valley Community Action Partnership to help families with their housing needs. The HomeOwnership Center is taking applications for mortgage assistance, and the Miami Valley Community Action Partnership is processing applications for rental assistance. This help is only available until November 30 OR until the funding is gone.

To qualify for rental assistance, applicants must:

- Rent a residence in Montgomery County.
- Have had a loss of employment income after March 1, 2020, due to COVID-19, caused by layoff, reduced work hours, furlough, or reduction in pay.
- Be behind on rent on or after March 1, 2020.

To qualify for mortgage assistance, applicants must:

- Own a home in Montgomery County.
- Have had a loss of employment income after March 1, 2020, due to COVID-19, caused by layoff, reduced work hours, furlough, or reduction in pay.
- Be behind in a mortgage on or after March 1, 2020

Help paying for water, electric, gas, or bulk fuel bills also is available. Help with utility payments is being handled by the Miami Valley Community Action Partnership.

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VOTE by
Oct. 5!
olvr.ohiosos.gov

OR request absentee ballot

www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/absentee-ballot

Election is Nov. 3!!

Links to apply to these programs are at <u>www.mcohiocares.org</u>.

Our seats are filling up — especially for infants and toddlers. But we want to be there for all families. If you know someone who may want to use our early learning and child care help, tell them to call us! We can enroll them, get them on a waiting list or sign them up for our virtual learning program. Reach us at 937-226-5664 or enroll at MVCDC.org.

We have a new video on YouTube that talks about all that our amazing staff are doing to keep families and children safe! Thank you to all those who participated. Go to YouTube and search for "MVCDC and Starting Safe, Staying Safe." The video will pop right up!



Please don't forget to make your plan to vote this year. Monday, October 5 is the last day to register. You'll want to check your registration status if you've moved or not voted recently.

- Register online at olvr.ohiosos.gov
- To vote by mail, request an absentee ballot at this address: https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/absentee-ballot/

You will need to mail your completed ballot in plenty of time before the Nov. 3 election to ensure that it's counted! The envelope likely will need extra postage.

There's less than a week left to complete a Census form. Go to 2020census.gov — or you can call in your responses at 844-330-2020. The process takes less than 10 minutes! Our community needs everyone to respond so we get the tax dollars we deserve!

Ohio's travel advisory this week is for Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota and Wisconsin. If your child has traveled to any of these states, he or she child will need to quarantine at home for 14 days before returning.

Don't hesitate to contact me at (937) 226-5664, ext. 202 with questions or concerns.

Gratefully,

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