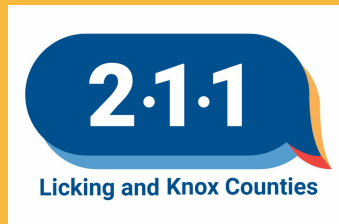


## November 2025 Community Report



The federal government shutdown may impact your benefits, including food benefits through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Ohio Department of Job and Family Services are continuing to monitor the situation and will share further information as the federal government provides updates.

### Local Resources:

#### Licking County-

Food Pantry Network of Licking County

<https://www.foodpantrynetwork.net/get-food>

#### Knox County-

**ACTS Center** 740-397-1065  
474 Wooster Road, Mount Vernon  
Thursdays 12pm-2:45pm; Closed 5th Thursday  
**Center of Hope** 740-200-0689  
25821 New Guilford Road, Bladensburg  
Limited walk-in urgent assistance

**First Nazarene Church (Father's Table)**  
740-392-8466  
807 Coshocton Avenue, Mount Vernon  
Fourth Saturday, 9am-11am  
**Interchurch Social Services** (call for

Call to schedule an appointment

**Central Christian Church**

**740-397-1840**

17833 Gambier Road

Third Saturday, 8am-10am (Apr-Oct)

**CHOMP Ministries Produce Market**

**740-393-2576**

205 North Mulberry Street, Mount Vernon

Third Saturday, 11:30am-12:30pm

**Church on The Rise Food Pantry**

**740-397-9022**

7512 Newark Road, Mount Vernon

Third Saturday, Apr-Oct 8:30am-10:30am

Must pick up ticket at 8:30am with return time

**Covenant Church**

**740-392-3152**

13360 New Delaware Road

Second Saturday, 10am-12pm (call Intake for first visit)

appointment)

/SS Centerburg—56 Johnsville Road

**740-625-5940**

Tue-Fri, 9am-2pm

/SS Danville—304 1/2 South Market Street

**740-599-5673**

Mon-Thu 10am-3pm

/SS Fredericktown—69 North Main Street

**740-694-8110**

Mon-Thu 10am-4pm,

/SS Mount Vernon—306 West Gambier

**740-397-4825**

Mon-Fri 9:30am-11:30am and 12:30pm-3:30pm **Jacque's**

**Cordle Children's Fund**

**740-625-5736**

12 West Main Street, Centerburg

Mon 5pm-6pm; Thu & Fri 10am-12pm

After hours Emergency, call 419-560-5991

Centerburg School District families only

**Salvation Army of Mount Vernon**

**740-392-8716**

206 East Ohio Avenue, Mount Vernon

Mon, Wed 10am-12pm and 1pm-3pm; Fri 10am-12pm

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## Local Agency Updates:

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### Licking County Updates:

#### New Hours Pataskala Branch Licking County Health Department

Licking County Health Department  
Pataskala branch now open 5 days!  
Hours are 9am-4pm Mon-Fri (closed  
from 12pm-1pm)

Provided services include:

- Birth and Death Certificates
- Environmental Health Services and Permits
- Childhood and Adult Immunizations
- Naloxone Distribution
- Free Car Seats
- Free Cribs

The Pataskala Branch can be  
contacted at 740-755-4520.



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### Knox County Updates:



**Drive to Succeed**  
Scholarship Program



Knox Public Health is excited to announce the Drive to Succeed Scholarship Program is now open to 18-20 year-olds. The program is designed to expand access to driver's education for income eligible teenagers by providing scholarships for driver's education training. Applications are being accepted now through June 2026 or until funds have been exhausted.

To obtain an application visit [knoxhealth.com](http://knoxhealth.com). For questions contact Mike Whitaker, Program Coordinator, at [mwhitaker@knoxhealth.com](mailto:mwhitaker@knoxhealth.com) or 740-392-2200 ext.2233.

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## Current Events

### Happy Veterans Day

Veterans Day is the day set aside to thank and honor all those who served honorably in the military during wartime and peacetime. Veterans Day is observed officially on November 11. One way we can support veterans is through free, confidential crisis support for them and those who support them.

Free, 24/7, confidential support is a call away. The Veterans Crisis Line can help even if you're not enrolled in VA benefits or health care. Just dial 988 and select option 1.

If you are a Veteran, service member, or any person concerned about one who is hard of hearing, you can connect with professional, caring VA responders through *online chat* and text message (838255). For TTY users: Use your preferred relay service or dial 711 then 988.

#### Calling from Overseas?

NORTHCOM: *Dial 988 then Press 1*

PACOM: Call +1 844-702-5493 (off base) or DSN 988 (on base)

EUCOM: Call +1 844-702-5495 (off base) or DSN 988 (on base)

CENTCOM: Call +1 855-422-7719 (off base) or DSN 988 (on base)

AFRICOM: Call +1 888-482-6054 (off base) or DSN 988 (on base)

SOUTHCOM: Call +1 866-989-9599 (off base) or DSN 988 (on base)



#### Local Resources:

Licking County Veterans' Service Office  
Mon-Fri 8am-4pm.  
740-670-5430  
935 Buckeye Avenue  
Newark, OH 43055

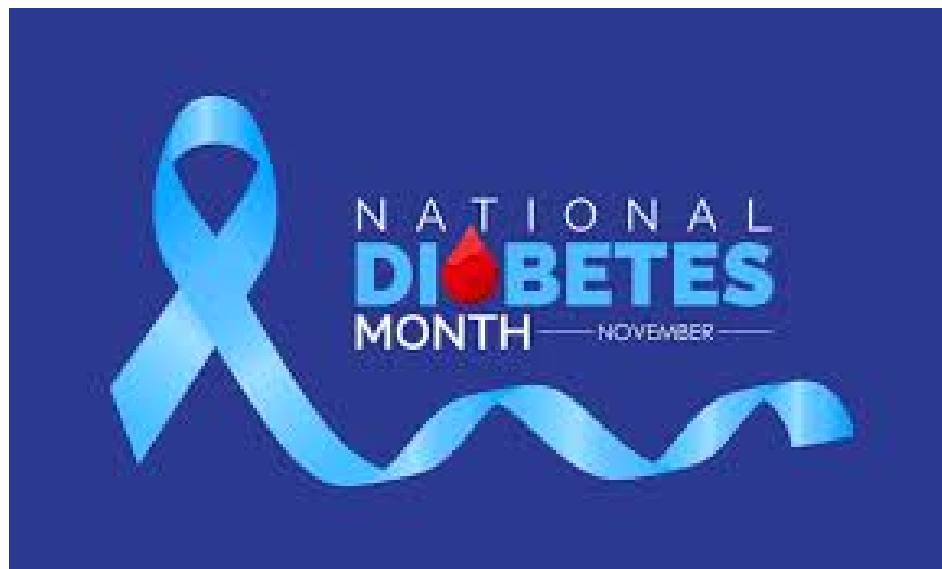
[lickingcounty.gov/depts/veterans/default.htm](http://lickingcounty.gov/depts/veterans/default.htm)

Knox County Veterans Services  
Mon-Fri 8am-4pm.  
740-393-6742  
105 East Chestnut Street  
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

[kcvso.com](http://kcvso.com)

Veterans Care Network  
Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm.  
614-328-9314  
470 West Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

[veterans-care.net](http://veterans-care.net)



## November is National Diabetes Awareness Month

According to the Ohio Department of Health, nearly 1 million Ohio adults have been diagnosed with diabetes. Diabetes is the eighth leading cause of death in Ohio (Source: Ohio Bureau of Vital Statistics).

Some tools and resources available include:

American Diabetes Association (ADA).

- [American Diabetes Association - Home.](#)

Local Ohio Diabetes Associations.

- [American Diabetes Association - Find a Local Chapter.](#)
- [Central Ohio Diabetes Association/LifeCare Alliance.](#)

World Diabetes Day is November 14, 2025. The theme for 2025 is diabetes and wellbeing with the campaign focus on that day being diabetes in the workplace. According to the International Diabetes Federation, 7 in 10 people of working age are living with diabetes and 3 in 4 people living with diabetes have experienced anxiety, depression or another mental health condition because of their diabetes.

### Local Resources:

#### *Knox County -*

Diabetes Care Team

740.393.9970

[We.Care@KCH.org](mailto:We.Care@KCH.org)

The Living with

Diabetes program is

presented by Knox

Community Hospital's

Diabetes Care Team,

which includes:

- Registered Nurse
- Dietitian

The American Association

of Diabetes Care and

Education Specialists

accredits this program.

#### *Licking County -*

[Ohio State - Licking](#)

[County Extension](#)

Join by Zoom each

Tuesday in November

from 12pm to 12:30 pm

to learn more about

diabetes.

Sessions are FREE but

you will still need to

register:

**To register and get the link,**

**visit [go.osu.edu/diabetesseries](https://go.osu.edu/diabetesseries)**





### **Funding Updates/Agency Updates!**

Funding cuts are impacting vital services across the community, leaving many individuals and families without the support they rely on. As resources shift or shrink, it's more important than ever to keep 211 informed. If your organization provides services, please ensure your 211 listing is current—so those in need can still find help when it matters most. Update your information today to help us connect people with the resources that remain available.

If you don't know your login/password (sent with Web Survey Request email (at the very bottom of the message), click the Request Password button to request a user name and password. You should receive a reply within 24 business hours. You can also reach out to our Resource Database Manager, Michaela Paulik to request your login/password directly. You can email her at [mpaulik@pathwaysco.org](mailto:mpaulik@pathwaysco.org)



### **Holiday Food and Gift Assistance:**

If your agency is offering help with holiday toys/gifts and or food/meals for the community, contact Lyn at [lromano@pathwaysco.org](mailto:lromano@pathwaysco.org) or Sara at [sgigliotti@pathwaysco.org](mailto:sgigliotti@pathwaysco.org) for your programs details to be included in our database.



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**Knox and Licking County Call Totals for the Past 12 Months**

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|                                 | Oct 24 | Nov 24 | Dec 24 | Jan 25 | Feb 25 | Mar 25 | Apr 25 | May 25 | Jun 25 | Jul 25 | Aug 25 | Sep 25 | Oct 25 |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| <b>Total Calls w/Follow Ups</b> | 1371   | 1197   | 1351   | 1514   | 1269   | 1473   | 1533   | 1581   | 1684   | 1859   | 1607   | 1720   | 1943   |
| <b>Knox</b>                     | 270    | 230    | 284    | 260    | 194    | 244    | 238    | 259    | 330    | 352    | 265    | 300    | 261    |
| <b>Licking</b>                  | 1101   | 967    | 1067   | 1254   | 932    | 1130   | 1177   | 1212   | 1194   | 1335   | 1342   | 1260   | 1505   |

For more detailed monthly reports on calls to our 211/988 Crisis Hotline, visit [pathways.211counts.org/](http://pathways.211counts.org/)

### October Unmet Needs from Call Stats

#### *Licking County*

Gas Money

Dental Care

#### *Knox County*

Emergency Shelter

Local Transportation



## Unmet Needs; Why they matter to 211 and to you!

"Unmet needs" refer to requests for help that 211 cannot fulfill due to a lack of available resources, services, or program capacity in the community. These can include things like housing, transportation, childcare, or utility assistance that callers urgently need but cannot access.

Tracking unmet needs is critical for a 211 agency. It helps identify service gaps, highlight emerging trends, and inform local agencies and funders about where more support or investment is needed. Understanding what needs go unmet empowers local agencies to advocate for systemic solutions, support community planning, and ultimately, help close those gaps to better serve individuals and families in crisis.

### 2025 Agency Updates

Did you know that you can login to the 211 database at any time to review your agency and service information? Just click the 211 Online Resource Directory button to the right, scroll down and click Service Provider Tools.



If you don't know your login/password (sent with Web Survey Request email (at the very bottom of the message), click the Request Password button to request a user name and password. You should receive a reply within

*Updating your agency listing is vital to keeping our database current!*

24 business hours.

Don't forget to check your email for the 2025 Agency Update Request from Michaela Paulik, RD Manager at [mpaulik@pathwaysco.org](mailto:mpaulik@pathwaysco.org). Please check your Spam/Junk Mail folder, also. Requests are sent out annually to agencies that have given us a current email address.

*Thank you for your help in providing the most accurate information for our callers !!*

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**For anyone in need, the 211/988 Crisis Hotline is available 24/7/365.**

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**Help Promote 211 and 988 in Licking and Knox Counties!**

Pathways has supplies of 211 and 988 cards, rack cards, magnets and posters for distribution in the community. Help us spread the word about these numbers to connect your neighbors to local resources.

Call 740-345-6166 x322 or email your request to [mpaulik@pathwaysco.org](mailto:mpaulik@pathwaysco.org).

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**Pathways Facebook page**

Join our 1,300 followers by liking us on Facebook and keep up with current news and information in our communities!

Click the logo to go to our page. >>>

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The 211 Community Monthly Report provides statistics regarding calls received and data on unmet needs in Licking and Knox Counties. New or important agency information and/or highlights of special programs and services available in Licking and Knox Counties are included.

If you have questions about this report or would like to suggest a program for us to highlight, please contact Michaela Paulik at [mpaulik@pathwaysco.org](mailto:mpaulik@pathwaysco.org) or 740-345-6166 x322.

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There are 3 ways to contact us for free, confidential assistance:

CALL 211, 345-HELP, 1-800-544-1601

TEXT your zip code to 898211

VISIT [211pathways.org](https://211pathways.org)



211/988 Crisis Hotline Program Director, Michaela Paulik, is available to answer questions and provide public awareness to your organization about the 211/Crisis Hotline and the services provided.

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Michaela Paulik, MS  
740-345-6166 ext. 229  
[mpaulik@pathwaysco.org](mailto:mpaulik@pathwaysco.org)



211/Crisis Hotline Resource Database Assistant, Sara Gigliotti, works alongside our Database Curator to keep the service and program listings updated in the Resource Database. Call or email her when you need assistance.

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Sara Gigliotti, RDA  
740-345-6166 ext. 306



211/Crisis Hotline Certified Resource Database Curator, Lyn Romano, works alongside our Database Assistant to keep the service and program listings updated in the Resource Database. Call or email her when you need assistance.

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Lyn Romano, CRS-DC  
740-345-6166 ext. 200





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