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ODJFS to Provide Up to $25 Million in CARES Act Grants to Nonprofit Agencies

COLUMBUS, OHIO – The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) today announced the process for nonprofit organizations that serve low-income and at-risk Ohioans to apply for federal CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act grants. Up to $25 million will be awarded.

"Those who were in need prior to this pandemic are even more vulnerable now, and many of the organizations assisting them have been struggling, as well," said ODJFS Director Kimberly Hall. "We are pleased to be able to provide this assistance to organizations that have accumulated unemployment debt as a result of the pandemic and are devoted to helping Ohioans during difficult times."

Organizations that receive funding can use it to apply to their unemployment debt or bolster their workforces by rehiring staff they may have had to lay off.

Applications will be accepted until Nov. 27 at jfs.ohio.gov/nonprofitgrants.

The grants are part of a larger package of more than $419.5 million in CARES Act funding developed by Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, Lt. Governor Jon Husted and the General Assembly to provide funding for small businesses, restaurants and bars, hospitals, higher education, arts, nonprofits, and low-income Ohioans impacted financially by the pandemic.

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The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services manages vital programs that strengthen Ohio families. These include job training and employment services, unemployment insurance, cash and food assistance, child care, child and adult protective services, adoption, and child support services.