

**THE BOARD OF ATHENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**, met in regular session, with Lenny Eliason presiding, Chris Chmiel and Charlie Adkins in attendance.

**Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the following agenda:

Athens County Board of County Commissioners

Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, June 24, 2025 Convenes at 9:00 a.m.

Approve Agenda

Approve Minutes June 12, 2025

Approve Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes, Then & Nows, & Bills

9:00 Tom Campanella- Health RFQ  
9:30 Antal Vegh- Edward Jones  
9:45 DJFS Dir Jean Demosky - weekly updates  
10:00 Planner - Grant App with Health Dept - Tenn Gas Pipeline Easement  
10:15 SOPEC -electricity rate updates  
10:45 Theresa Lackey- Senior program at Federal Valley Resource Center  
11:30 LUNCH

**Agenda Items**

Utility Permits  
Assigned Counsel Report from Auditors Office  
Community Corrections Grant Agreement  
ARC Broadband- Amesville Progress Reports  
USPS New Marshfield Lease  
Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates

**~TRAVEL**

Auditor Jill Davidson & Brandi Sanders; Ohio GFOA Conference, Columbus OH; 09/16-09/19/25

**ADJOURNMENT**

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the minutes of June 12, 2025.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes, Then & Nows, & Bills**

A motion was made by Mr Adkins and seconded by Mr Chmiel approving the Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes and approving the payment of the required County Bills, which are included in the Auditor's Office INVOICE TRACKING REPORT - From: 06/12/2025 To: 06/17/2025, INVOICE TRACKING REPORT - From: 06/17/2025 To: 06/20/2025, INVOICE TRACKING REPORT - From: 06/19/2025 To: 06/24/2025 and the bills are hereby the same and authorize the County Auditor to issue warrants on the County Treasurer for payment in the same. Complete list of bills maintained in the Auditor's office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Health Insurance RFQ - Tom Campanella**

Tom Campanella provided an update on the Health Insurance RFQ (refer to back of page 207). Commissioner Adkins reiterated his strong opposition to any reduction in employee benefits and questioned how cost savings could be achieved without altering the current benefit structure. Commissioner Eliason recommended that the cost of the RFQ be distributed among all insured departments rather than being solely funded by the general fund. He will develop a cost-sharing proposal. Commissioners Adkins and Eliason intend to make a final decision by next Tuesday.

Rating 1 – 5

(1 being the lowest, 5 the highest)

NFP is the recommended consultant for the RFP Process

I. References/Experience working with County Governments especially in Ohio. Ability/experience in dissecting funding arrangements such as what currently exists with CEBCO to determine the current value to Athens County of this existing relationship. (Scoring 5 out of 5)

- A. NFP is an AON Company located at 6450 Rockside Woods Blvd S., Suite 250 Cleveland, Ohio 44131
- B. NFP manages several aggregate purchasing pools, focusing on the public sector.
- C. NFP pioneered innovative public entity purchasing methods and have a team of experienced professionals specializing in these models.
- D. Their local team serves over 100 public sector clients across Ohio both in and outside of aggregate purchasing pools.
- E. Some of the counties and public sector clients of NFP include the following:
  - 1. Lako County
  - 2. Summit County
  - 3. Fairfield County
  - 4. City of Gahanna
- F. Consortium — NFP created a health alliance with the State of Ohio Department of Insurance for all non-profits that offered direct service to the aging population. In 2021, we expanded the Aging and Disabilities Health Alliance to allow non-profits to join the captive program.
- G. NFP has the ability and experience to work with all clients, including Athens County in various funding arrangements including fully insured, level-premium, and self-insured models.
- H. For NFP they can utilize their robust RFP database to effectively draw from a wide variety of benefit lines and carrier-specific questionnaires and scorecards to begin the process, and they are independent from all insurance carriers, our process includes the following:
  - Select benefit line and carrier-specific RFP from our database and customize it to meet client needs.

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- Utilize industry experience and client feedback to determine the list of vendors that will receive the RFP
- Aggressively manage the RFP process and hold carriers to firm deadlines.
- Aggregate data and prepare a scorecard, which is designed to weigh different elements of the RFP according to the client's desires and our counsel.
- Utilize market leverage, plan analysis, and in-house underwriting to negotiate the most competitive offering.
- Perform contract and carrier due diligence (client site meetings and/or carrier site meetings)
- Evaluate and select a provider with the client and prepare for implementation.

- I. Based on client priorities, NFP will present the results of their RFP to Athens County in a clear, concise, and easy-to-understand manner. This allows NFP to discuss the pros and cons of each alternative with respect to several critical factors:
  - Administration
  - Service
  - Brand Recognition
  - Network Access
  - Financial Rating PLAN DESIGN
  - Technology
  - Comparable Clients
  - Value-added resources (wellbeing, disease management, etc.)
  - Client Compatibility
  - Communication

II. Financial — Fee for RFP process, scope of services provided for fee including fee services, cost of ad hoc reporting requests, ability to offset RFP fee against ongoing fee related to a potential longer-term relationship. Is Athens County their sole source of compensation? (Scoring 4 out of 5)

- A. INCLUDED SERVICES - NFP agrees to include all services listed in the Athens County RFQ for Employee Benefits Consultant/Broker Services in the Scope of Services
- B. NFP proposes the following Cost of Services
  - 1. RFP Services only: \$24,000

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- B. NFP's Transparent Pricing & Network Analysis (TPNet) tool allows NFP to utilize data to benchmark providers/physicians, hospitals/facilities, and insurance carriers. For NFP, employers will have the most complete view of the cost of their healthcare offering and be able to compare negotiated pricing across the universal healthcare landscape.
- C. The NFP Rx Solutions team will assist the Athens County account team by developing ideas and recommendations to manage expenses and utilization. Rx Solutions manages prescription drug benefits costs through vendor selection, pharmacy plan audits, clinical management, plan design, and sophisticated analytics. The team of pharmacists, managed care veterans, and data analysts are experienced in designing and implementing successful strategies.
- D. If Athens County decides to continue with NFP in 2026, we would have the benefit of utilizing NFP web-based decision support system to provide a more comprehensive and ongoing evaluation specifically targeting the underlying cost drivers. This data analytics tool allows NFP to drill down by disease state, member type, and more to target engagement levels and project future cost drivers within your benefits program and together with Athens County proactively address these cost drivers.

V. Direct contracting and negotiation capability relating to carve-outs drug/stop-loss, providers, ability to maximize value from PBM relationship including rebates, specialty drugs, etc. Ability to do apples to apples competitive comparisons between vendors including the utilization of repricing of claims, etc. (Scoring 5 out of 5)

- A. Carve-out pharmacy services are a specialty of NFP. NFP are experts in pharmacy contract language and negotiating pharmacy benefits, as well as pharmacy analysis and clinical program management.
- B. NFP is very active in the Stop-loss market. They approach a panel of over 25 carriers (all at least A-rated) and several different stop-loss General Agencies, including the NFP Stop-Loss Center of Excellence (COE) if it is a fit for the client.
- C. NFP not only has a great deal of experience in negotiating direct contracts with hospital providers, but we have done so specifically with our public sector clients. The Lake County Board of Commissioners have held a direct contract with the Lake Health system for several years to gain deeper claims discounts for the County and lower copays for the employees. Furthermore, when the Lake Health system was recently

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purchased by the University Hospitals, NFP led negotiations to maintain, and even expand, that same direct contract with University Hospitals.

- D. NFP negotiated with Summa Health to provide a direct contracting opportunity for the County of Summit. This contract was put in place for the same reason Lake Health was put in place with Lake County Board of Commissioners. The intent is to reduce costs not only for the County through deeper claims discounts, but also for their employees by using a benefit plan that reduced the employees' out of pocket expenses. NFP would certainly encourage Athens County to utilize our experience in negotiating and our expertise in the market to lead negotiations with your current or upcoming contracts.
- E. Once negotiations begin as it relates to medical, drug, stop-loss, and ancillary services, the extensive underwriting, financial, and analytical ability of NFP's staff enables them to identify opportunities and challenges.
- F. NFP has the ability to dive into the financial components driving a rate and intelligently negotiate it to the best possible price.
- G. NFP has a proprietary tool called TPNet to assist with network comparison and analysis of potential provider disruption.

VII. Experience with engaging employees in wellness programs, managing and proactively addressing chronic diseases. (Scoring 5 out of 5)

- A. NFP has a robust wellbeing consulting platform. Their mission is to provide a suite of integrated health management programs and resources to their clients and their employees that promote a culture of health and wellbeing.
- B. This culture leads to positive lifestyle behavior changes, heightened personal performance, and reduced health expenditures, creating a healthy long-term work/life balance.
- C. NFP will support Athens County well-being initiative, at no additional cost.
- D. NFP will support both HR and employee education, training, and resources centered around helping Athens County's workforce thrive in every area of their life.

VII. Timeline for RFP Project

- A. NFP is confident that they can complete the RFP process in a timely manner to meet Athens County requirement needs as stated in the RFQ.

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2. RFP Services contract period will be 7-1-2025 through 12-31-2025.

- C. Ongoing consulting services beyond the scope of this RFP will depend on the services contracted and the fee structure. Our fees for full consulting services for the period 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2026 will range from \$17 to \$20 PERM. If selected for RFP services and full consulting services, NFP will apply a \$2,000 monthly invoice credit (\$24,000 total) for the consulting year 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2026.
- D. NFP reports are customized and designed to meet each client's specific needs. There are no additional fees for these customization or ad hoc reports.

III. Professionalism — ability to connect with the needs of Athens County. Being a trusted partner with Athens County, responsiveness to the specific information required in the RFQ, on-site staff assigned to Athens County, customer service capabilities. Quality of answers to specific questions directed to them during the interview process. (Scoring 5 out of 5)

- A. Athens County's Health Benefits Committee was impressed with the NFP in-person presentation on June 17, 2025.
  - 1. Dave Leszcz, Senior VP — Very impressive, great experience, and client focused.
  - 2. Jill Jennings, AVP, Consultant — Strong analytical skills.
  - 3. June James, AVP, Large Market Team leader who has previously been employed by carriers as well as Summit County.
- B. The Athens County Benefits Committee was impressed by all of the NFP personnel and believe they will be a good partner.

IV. Unique/value-added technology, skill set, relationships, data analytics capabilities, patient advocacy, user-friendly provider/services price transparency capabilities, benefit design assistance. (Scoring 5 out of 5)

- A. NFP manages several aggregate purchasing pools, focusing on the public sector, including notable Regionalization programs. NFP pioneered innovative public entity purchasing methods and have a team of experienced professionals specializing in these models.

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## VIII. References

- A. Athens County Commissioner Chris Chmiel checked NFP's county references.
- D. Per Chris Chmiel, both Fairfield and Summit Counties highly recommended NFP as a consultant, highlighting their responsiveness and innovative solutions for cost savings.

## IX. NFP's relationship with AON

- A. Since NFP is part of AON and AON has a relationship with CEBCO, the Healthcare Benefits Committee asked for a non-conflict statement from AON.
- B. The following is a communication to Dave Leszcz, SVP of NFP from Tony Roberts, SVP of AON and consultant to CEBCO.

Hi Dave and to whom it may concern:

We recognize and appreciate that Dave Leszcz of NFP has a fiduciary responsibility to Athens County to provide due diligence through an RFP and facilitate changes in the best interest of Athens County. If the County chooses to move coverages away from CEBCO, Aon will not prevent or create any barriers for Dave Leszcz from fulfilling his fiduciary responsibility to facilitate the move away from CEBCO.

Regards,

Tony Roberts

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**Edward Jones - Antal Vegh**

Antal Vegh from Edward Jones presented a proposal to offer financial guidance to county employees by setting up informational sessions in a county conference room. He emphasized that he is not selling products, but simply offering financial education and answering questions. Commissioner Eliason expressed concern about allowing individual businesses to use county facilities, noting it could set a precedent. He stated he is not in favor of the proposal but is open to further discussion. The board will revisit the topic next week.

**DJFS Dir Jean Demosky - Weekly Updates**

**1. Program and Event Announcements**

- \* "Building Bonds and Bird Feeders" Program:
  - \* Scheduled for Thursday at the Athens Community Cares Resource Center. Openings still available. Target audience: dads/father figures and children.
- \* Mobile Career Center Events:
  - \* Will visit Glouster in the morning and The Plains in the afternoon on Monday.
  - \* Services include free resume help, guided job searches, and interview prep.
  - \* July schedule includes visits to United Lane, Albany Marathon, and others.
  - \* They also collaborate with businesses hiring multiple people and provide support onsite (e.g., resume checks, interview tips).
- \* JFS on Wheels:
  - \* Starting July 1st at Canal Carry-Out.
  - \* Assists with benefits checks, applications, and referrals to external agencies (utilities, housing, etc.).
  - \* Distributes hygiene kits and food/lunches.
- \* Glouster Community Day of Hope:
  - \* Scheduled for July 31st.
  - \* This will be the 5th annual event, and JFS will be present.

**2. Title XX Services Plan**

- \* Plan shared by Tracy was reviewed.
- \* Approval not formally required but was provided for submission purposes.

**3. PRC Plan Update**

- \* This is the PRC (Prevention, Retention, Contingency) year.
- \* Dir. Demosky mentioned the PRC Plan is being updated and will be brought before the Athens County Family Services Planning Committee for review and recommendation.

**4. Transportation Contracts**

- \* Discussion on how many providers can receive contracts:
- \* Scoring matrix and review committee determine eligibility.
- \* Multiple providers can receive contracts if they meet criteria; contracts are scaled based on capacity (e.g., number of vehicles, types like ambulettes).
- \* Reimbursement Notes:
  - \* These are billed against Medicaid, with full reimbursement.
  - \* Providers must have a contract with JFS to bill Medicaid for NET transportation, with exceptions like EMS services.

**5. MOU with Athens County Children's Services**

- \* Memorandum of Understanding for two office spaces in the Nelsonville building.
  - \* Period: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026
  - \* Cost: \$1,462.10/month

**6. Contract Review and Reduction**

- \* Dir. Demosky mentioned an initiative to reduce or eliminate external contracts and bring services in-house.
- \* A 30-day notice clause is present in all contracts.
- \* A standard notice letter was developed by Keith for discontinuing contracts.
- \* Commissioners requested to be copied on discontinuation letters going forward.

**7. Facilities and Staffing**

- \* Unusual Incident:
  - \* A hospital-bound individual was dropped off by police at 5:10 a.m. – Gene is investigating the matter.
- \* Staff Schedule Survey Results:
  - \* Interest poll sent out regarding reduced schedules.
  - \* Majority prefer full-time work, though some are open to reductions if benefits remain.
  - \* One staff member responded enthusiastically about their job.
- \* Union Discussion:
  - \* Scheduled to further discuss schedule changes.

\* Internal Transportation Resource Use:

- \* Instead of relying solely on contracts, JFS will assign internal staff to drive JFS vehicles when possible, especially when regular drivers are on leave.
- \* Preference will be given to staff of equal or higher classification.
- \* Maintenance staff not currently included unless reclassified.

**DJFS - Title XX**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the Title XX Plan and allow for its submission as recommended by Dir. Demosky.

Copy of Title XX Plan available in the Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**DJFS NET Contracts**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the Five (5) NET contracts as recommended by Dir. Demosky:

Name of Contract Organization: COAD, Sponsor of RSVP  
 Total \$ Value: \$100,000.00  
 Contract Period: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026  
 Acct & Code to be charged: Medicaid NET 850/510050  
 Title XX 735/510050  
 Billing Procedure: Submits bi-monthly invoices, Payment made within 30 days

Name of Contract Organization: 59 Green LTD. DbA Green Cab  
 Total \$ Value: \$100,000.00  
 Contract Period: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026  
 Acct & Code to be charged: Medicaid NET 850/510050  
 Title XX 735/510050  
 Billing Procedure: Submits bi-monthly invoices, Payment made within 30 days

Name of Contract Organization: 59 Green LTD. DbA Green Cab  
 Total \$ Value: \$100,000.00  
 Contract Period: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026  
 Acct & Code to be charged: Medicaid NET - Ambulette 850/510050  
 Title XX - Ambulette 723/510050  
 Billing Procedure: Submits monthly invoices, Payment made within 30 days

Name of Contract Organization: Deputy's Transportation, LLC  
 Total \$ Value: \$100,000.00  
 Contract Period: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026  
 Acct & Code to be charged: Medicaid NET 850/510050  
 Title XX 735/510050  
 Billing Procedure: Deputy's submits monthly invoices, Payment made within 30 days

Name of Contract Organization: Deputy's Transportation, LLC  
 Total \$ Value: \$65,000.00  
 Contract Period: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026  
 Acct & Code to be charged: Medicaid NET - Ambulette 850/510050  
 Title XX - Ambulette 723/510050  
 Billing Procedure: Submits monthly invoices, Payment made within 30 days

Full Contracts available on file in the Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**DJFS MOU**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the MOU for Cost Sharing at Athens County Community Cares Resource Center with Athens County Children Services:

Period of Agreement: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026  
Invoicing: 15<sup>th</sup> of each month, \$1,462.10

Full MOU is available on file in the Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Great Application with Health Department**

Planner Connor LaVelle and Health Department Meredith Erlewine discussed applying for the U.S. Department of Transportation's "Safe Streets and Roads for All" grant, with a focus on supplemental planning and demonstration projects to enhance roadway and pedestrian safety. The proposed project has two main components:

1. Supplemental Planning:
  - \* Conduct a roadway safety audit in The Plains, covering both Dover and Athens Township.
  - \* Perform a systematic safety analysis to evaluate street safety amid increased development and traffic in the area.
2. Demonstration Projects:
  - \* Deploy temporary "Quick Curb" barriers to physically separate pedestrian and vehicular traffic in key areas such as Route 78 in Gloucester and Bechtel.
  - \* These will help test safety improvements and collect community feedback.
  - \* Possible future deployment on Johnson Road, especially with new apartment developments and concerns about increased traffic and pedestrian safety.

**Grant Details:**

- \* Total funding requested: \$640,500
- \* Federal share: \$505,500
- \* \$135,000 in-kind match provided over five years via county and health department staff time, vehicle use, and planning efforts.

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to authorize submission of the grant application as provided by Planner LaVelle and Health Dept Meredith Erlewine. See back of page 210 for documents.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Invisible Ground Flooding - Planner Connor LaVelle**

Planner LaVelle provided the following information:

Athens County is applying for a \$12,000 mini grant from the Central Appalachian Network for community resiliency efforts, with no required match. The grant proposal includes two key components:

1. Flood Routing and Community Input:
  - \* Collaboratively developed with EMA, Solid Waste Authority, Rural Action's watershed team, and county officials.
  - \* The goal is to hold meetings with rural communities (e.g., Guysville, Chauncey) to identify local knowledge of safe flood routes during high water events.
  - \* This information will be used to create educational materials and road signage, helping residents better navigate during floods.
2. Invisible Ground Flood Education Project:
  - \* In partnership with Invisible Ground, a group that creates interactive historical markers.
  - \* The aim is to translate local flood history into public education, showing how high water has reached in places like Nelsonville and Amesville.
  - \* \$1,500 of Planner LaVelle's own budget will be used to kickstart the Amesville project, which is the only form of match (though optional and self-funded).

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the proposal and the \$1,500.00 contribution coming from Planner LaVelle's budget. See document on back of page 210.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Supplemental Planning and Demonstration Application

Safety Context

In September 2024, Athens County released an Active Transportation Plan (ATP), which not only aligns with the SS4A program, but also provides the framework for Athens County where projects, no matter where they are and no matter their age, can safely get where they need to go by walking, biking, or taking a bus. The plan has several goals including: identifying gaps and opportunities in current infrastructure, exploring potential funding opportunities and how to become funding candidates, prioritize key projects, and increase safe active transportation options in the county.

The ATP identified 7 corridors with projects ranging from infrastructure and non-infrastructure, including policy related recommendations. Needs and opportunities were also identified for implementation as well as funding sources. Community feedback was critical to the process and resulted in a Walk Audit, Experimental Bike Lane, a survey, and a work group project events. The feedback identified barriers to active transportation, including driver's lack of training, and specific locations of concern. To align with those priorities outlined in our final ATP, we are seeking \$500,000 in federal funds (80/20/00 total project cost) to get started improving safety with some of the actions in the ATP.

Supplemental Planning

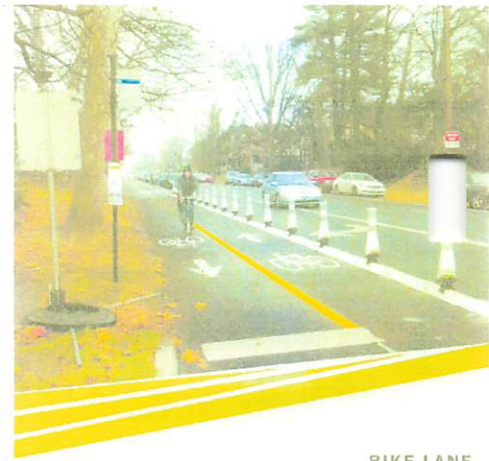
**Road Safety Audit in The Plains IRSA** - As identified in the ATP, The Plains is of particular interest of safety concerns, known for its history of Native American trail routes and regional routes. The Plains is undergoing considerable development within the 2.3 square miles of land it encompasses. This area has two large development projects underway to develop low-income housing, one for seniors, that is going to add a residential structure of density to the community area. The RSA will focus on approximately 0.3 miles of any portion of these developments. It will include a driver analysis, stakeholder interviews, a walk audit and a road safety audit, and a technical memo summarizing the results and recommendations. For the road segments outside of the key corridor and intersections a high-level analysis will take place and general recommendations will be made. Additional guidance for remaining roadway segments within the same geographic area will also supplement the analysis.

Demonstration

**Systemic Quick Build Demonstration Projects:** As outlined in the letters attached to our application, we already have agreements with local communities within the county and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to install and evaluate systemic demonstration projects across throughout the county. Based on feedback from ODOT, there are three demonstration projects will be necessary to provide, in particular Quick Build and park-to-credit safer pedestrian facilities. Evaluations for these demonstration will be based primarily from community feedback and the data analysis conducted as part of the development of the ATP. Activities will be spread throughout different communities within the county. Evaluations will focus on two things: 1) feasibility of using temporary materials (e.g. temporary, approximately throughout the county, and 2) community feedback on the establishment and timing of development of those build projects, with emphasis on local business and events located in areas impacted by the demonstration.

Update ATP for Alignment with SS4A Program

**Update ATP:** The plan was not developed with SS4A in mind, however it required the start of the SS4A program of using a community informed Safe System Approach to transportation safety. We would like to request funding to complete the gaps in the plan to align with SS4A requirements, particularly with changes in 2024. This funding will allow us to conduct a more comprehensive safety analysis of the county, including the development of a High Priority Network, as well as make the necessary updates due to the Road Safety Audit and evaluation of our demonstration activities.



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- 3" Wide
- 3" Deep
- 3" High
- 3" Wide
- 3" Deep

**When the OWICK KURB® continuous curb and channelizing system is used to create bike lanes, sidewalks, and crosswalks, the demonstrated lane driving and pedestrian safety and performance are:**

- USED EXTENSIVELY IN THE HARDEST ENVIRONMENTS:** OWICK KURB® Channelizing Systems with Plastic or Rubber can be used for over 20 years with minimal maintenance. Popular for all types of weather conditions, offering the highest level of night visibility. In addition, the channelizer can be used in areas with temperatures that range from 100 degrees Fahrenheit to below zero.
- SYSTEM CAN WITHSTAND TRAFFIC IMPACTS:** Each channelizer is made of heavy-duty, high-strength plastic or rubber. The curb is made of heavy-duty, high-strength plastic or rubber. The curb is made of heavy-duty, high-strength plastic or rubber. The curb is made of heavy-duty, high-strength plastic or rubber.
- MAINTENANCE-FREE, CONTEXT SENSITIVE DESIGN:** OWICK KURB® Channelizing Systems are designed to be installed and removed in minutes. They are easy to install and remove, and they are easy to maintain. They are also easy to store and transport.

**THE CHANNELIZER DESIGNED FOR ALL WEATHER PERFORMANCE**

- Weathering Continuous Curb:** The continuous curb has a unique design that allows it to withstand harsh weather conditions. It is made of heavy-duty plastic or rubber, which is resistant to UV rays, salt, and other environmental factors.
- The Strongest Bar:** The continuous curb is made of heavy-duty plastic or rubber, which is stronger than other materials. It is designed to withstand impact from vehicles and other objects.
- 3.5 Inches High, 3" Wide:** The curb is 3.5 inches high and 3 inches wide, which provides a clear and visible barrier for drivers and pedestrians.
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Invisible Ground Flooding in Athens County

**Deliverables**  
 The Invisible Ground sites at Anseville (two separate sites), Nelsonville's Public Square, and Nelsonville Brick Kilns would all contain augmented reality historic images of significant flooding. In addition to the flood-related photos, these sites will have numerous Invasive Species Marker Images. In total you will have a part of 4 site markers (2 in Anseville, 1 in Nelsonville Public Square, 1 in Nelsonville Brick Kilns).

In Anseville there will be 3 marker images of floods: showing historic flooding in 1907 at the intersection of 550 and 320, and two more recent examples of flooding in 1987 (I believe) at the historic bank building and the restaurant.

There would be 1-2 marker images showing historic flooding at Nelsonville's Historic Public Square.

There would be 1-2 marker images showing historic flooding at Nelsonville Brick Kilns.

Possibility of future work on Gloucester and Burr Oak (which is in very very early production) for 2028

**Timeline**  
 Anseville (late July 2025)  
 Nelsonville Public Square (November 2025)  
 Nelsonville Brick Kilns (November 2025)  
 Gloucester and Burr Oak (Spring/Summer 2028)

**Sponsorship and Collaboration**  
 Logos on physical signage  
 Mention in Invisible Ground app  
 Public openings and tours  
 Social media posting on flood photos and collaboration specifically  
 Postcards to promote these specific markers

**Request for Funding**  
 \$5,000 total for Anseville, Nelsonville Public Square, Nelsonville Brick Kiln sites

A possible future commitment of some funding toward for Gloucester and Burr Oak sites, and/or a continued conversation going forward of good sites for a collaboration.

**Tennessee Gas Pipeline Easement**

Planner Connor LaVelle provided the following:

Athens County received a new easement agreement request from Tennessee Gas Pipeline, involving a slight modification to an existing easement. The easement covers land near The Plains Water and Sewer Plant and the Eclipse Company Town, specifically running underneath the bike path in that area.

- \* Tennessee Gas has already completed most of the pipeline installation, but this easement secures rights for any future maintenance or work.
- \* The company will pay the county \$1,500 and agrees to restore the property to its original condition after any future work.
- \* Minor administrative updates are needed, such as correcting the date on the document from April.

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Easement pending approval by the Prosecutor.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**SOPEC**

SOPEC Community Liaison Erin Stevens and Regional Director Jessica Arnold provided the following SOPEC Update:

- \* **New Rate Announcement:** The new rate for aggregation participants is 9.756 cents/kWh, which is below the current "price to compare" of approximately 9.997 cents/kWh. This rate is also lower than what residents paid over the past two years and is fixed for a year.
- \* **Program Eligibility & Enrollment:** The aggregation is an opt-out program, meaning eligible residents and small businesses are automatically enrolled unless they choose to opt out. Individuals in private supply contracts or on income-based assistance programs like PIP are ineligible until their contracts or statuses change.
- \* **Switching Confusion & "Slamming":** Some residents have been confused or upset about being switched into or out of suppliers. SOPEC clarified that:
  - \* They do not door-knock or switch customers without consent.
  - \* "Slamming" (unauthorized switching) is typically done by third-party marketers and should be reported to the Ohio Consumers' Counsel.
  - \* Any high bills are often due to private contracts with variable rates that expire unnoticed, not SOPEC actions.
- \* **Benefits of Opt-Out Aggregation:** Opt-out enables bulk purchasing, helping secure lower rates. If the program required opt-in, participation would drop and so would bargaining power.
- \* **Transmission & Distribution Costs:** These are separate from SOPEC's generation supply services. AEP Ohio handles those and has increased fees, including a \$10/month increase for every 1,000 kWh used. More rate hikes may be pending approval.
- \* **Communication & Support:** SOPEC encouraged anyone with concerns to contact them directly. Their information is on their website, and support is available for resolving individual billing or eligibility issues.
- \* **Community Impact:** Part of the aggregation fees fund local grants, like installing solar panels on public buildings (e.g., 911 center). Consumers can also opt down to a lower rate (9.4 cents/kWh) if they forgo green energy RECs.
- \* **Next Steps:** Officials emphasized the need for public education workshops to help residents understand their energy bills and choices, especially amid rising utility costs.

Overall, the meeting highlighted that SOPEC's program is currently beneficial to Athens County residents, but better public awareness and customer support are needed to reduce confusion.

**Utility Permit**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the following Utility Permit:

Permit No. 25-607  
 From: AEP TRC Companies  
 88 North Plains Rd, Ste 101  
 The Plains, OH 45780

We hereby request permission to install utility lines within public right-of-way limits.

Location of work: Co Rd # CR-57, Co Rd Name: N. Rodehaver Rd  
 Description of Work: Electric  
 Type of Installation: Overhead Line Crossing Road  
 Estimated Project Schedule: 07/14/2025 - 02/14/2026  
 Agreed to by: /s/Kody Sinisgalli, AEP  
 Athens County Commissioners

/s/ Lenny Eliason  
/s/ Chris Chmiel  
/s/ Charlie Adkins  
/s/Jeff Maiden, Athens County Engineer

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Community Corrections Grant Agreement**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to acknowledge receipt and sign the Community Corrections Grant Agreement as requested by Athens County Common Pleas:

Purpose: To assist local government in community-based corrections program services  
Funding: \$83,790.00

See back of page 212 for full document.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**ARC Broadband - Amesville Progress Reports**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to ratify Mr. Eliason's signature on the ARC Broadband - Amesville Progress Reports.

See page 214 through back of page 215 for full document.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**USPS New Marshfield Lease**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the lease agreement for the USPS New Marshfield:

Term: 2027 - 2032  
Annual Rate: \$3,600  
Location: Waterloo  
Intended Users: Waterloo Senior Citizens

\* The agreement involves usage of a lot and associated sewer system services.

June 25, 2025

Jamie Katerberg  
USPS  
PO Box 27497  
Greensboro, NC 27498

Dear Ms. Katerberg,

The Board of Commissioners voted to extend the existing ground lease, originally established in May 2007, for the New Marshfield Main Office located at 3996 Old State Route 56, New Marshfield, Ohio. The lease has been extended for an additional five years, from July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2032.

If you need anything further, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

/s/JoAnn Rockhold, Administrator

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND CORRECTION

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT AGREEMENT

THIS GRANT AGREEMENT (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), is made and entered into by and between the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, Division of Parole and Community Services, Bureau of Community Services, (hereinafter referred to as "Grantor") located at P.O. Box 430, Columbus, Ohio, 43216 and ATHENS COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS (hereinafter referred to as "Grantee"), located at 1 SOUTH COURT STREET, ATHENS, OHIO 45701. The Grantor and the Grantee are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties" and separately known as the "Party".

WHEREAS, the Grantor has submitted a grant application to the Grantee; WHEREAS, the Grantor has authority pursuant to section 5149.30 of the Ohio Revised Code ("ORC"), to determine and award grants to assist local governments in community-based law enforcement services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, and agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. Terms: This Agreement is effective as of the date indicated on the grant approval letter which is incorporated herein by reference. As the current Ohio General Assembly cannot commit a future General Assembly to expenditure, this Agreement shall expire on June 30, 2027. Prior to the expiration of the initial term or any renewed term, Grantee may give written notice to the Grantor that this Agreement is being renewed and amended under the same terms and conditions subject to an award of grant funds pursuant to Grantee's next grant cycle application. Such renewal shall begin upon the expiration of the initial term or any renewed term, as applicable, and expire as set forth in its amendment to this Agreement.
2. Program Services: During the term of this agreement, the Grantee shall implement and be responsible for the program services set forth in the attached exhibit(s) CCA Exhibit A.
3. Program Evaluation: Pursuant to R.C. 5149.31, the Grantee shall evaluate the Program Services and establish means of measuring their effectiveness. Therefore, the Grantee shall prepare and submit to the Grantor the following reports:
A. Statistical records in the format and frequency as established by the Grantor. To determine if the Grantee is achieving its stated goal and objectives, the Grantee agrees to submit, within fourteen calendar days, to the Grantor, intake and termination data for each individual being served. The Grantor shall maintain internet access for the data collection, reporting, and transmission into the Grantor's management information systems. The Grantee shall make available all necessary records for validation and audit of this data. It is agreed that the Grantee shall be provided with the results of the Grantor's review of the intake and termination data at intervals determined by the Grantor. This section does not apply to PSI services, if applicable.
B. Bi-annual and final expenditure reports shall include financial information for expenditures that relate to Program Services as set forth in paragraph C of OAC 5120.1-5-05 and be submitted thirty (30) days after the end of each quarter. The final report shall include financial information for expenditures that relate to services for the entire grant period and is due by January 30, 2028.

- 16. Compliance with Laws: Grantee, in the execution of duties and obligations under this Agreement, agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, including any related administrative rules promulgated after the signing of this agreement.
17. Drug Free Workplace: Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws regarding smoke-free and drug-free workplaces and shall make a good faith effort to ensure that none of its employees or permitted subcontractors engaged in the work being performed hereunder purchase, transfer, use, or possess illegal drugs or alcohol, or abuse prescription drugs in any way.
18. Campaign Contributions: Grantee hereby certifies that all applicable parties listed in Divisions RC 5117.13 are in full compliance.
19. Entire Agreement or Waiver: This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties and shall not be modified, amended or supplemented, or any rights herein waived, unless specifically agreed upon in writing by the Parties hereto. This Agreement supersedes any and all previous agreements, whether written or oral, between the Parties. A waiver by any Party of any breach or default by the other Party under this Agreement shall not constitute a continuing waiver by such Party of any subsequent act in breach of or in default hereunder.
20. Notices: All notices, consents, and communications hereunder shall be given in writing, shall be deemed to be given upon receipt thereof, and shall be sent to the address first set forth above.
21. Headings: The headings in this Agreement have been inserted for convenient reference only and shall not be considered in any questions of interpretation or construction of this Agreement.
22. Severability: The provisions of this Agreement are severable and independent, and if any provision shall be determined to be unenforceable in whole or in part, the remaining provisions and any partially enforceable provision shall, to the extent enforceable in its entirety, nevertheless be binding and enforceable.
23. Controlling Law: This Agreement and the rights of the Parties hereunder shall be governed, construed, and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio and only Ohio courts shall have jurisdiction over any action or proceeding concerning this Agreement and/or performance hereunder.
24. Successors and Assigns: Neither this Agreement nor any rights, duties, or obligations hereunder may be assigned or transferred in whole or in part by Grantee, without the prior written consent of Grantor.
25. Prison Rape Elimination Act: If the Program Services are residential services, the Grantee shall adopt and comply with the Prison Rape Elimination Act, National Standards to Prevent, Detect, and Respond to Prison Rape (28 C.F.R. Part 115). The Grantor shall monitor Grantee to ensure such compliance. The Grantee shall ensure that Grantee has been trained on their responsibilities under Grantor's Policy on sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection and response.
26. Executions: This Agreement is not binding upon Grantor unless executed in full.
27. Equal Employment Opportunity: Grantee agrees that it is in compliance with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 123.111.
28. Liability: To the extent allowable by law, each party agrees to be responsible for any liability, suits, losses, judgments, damages, or other demands brought as a result of its own negligent actions or omissions in the performance of this Agreement.
29. Civil Rights Assurance: The parties hereby agree that they will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq.) and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.).

- b. All completed PSI reports must be emailed, within 30 days of the sentencing/disposition date, to the email account provided by the Grantor for uploading into the Grantor's PSI portal. An ORAS shall be completed for each PSI offender and placed into the ORAS.
c. All Grantees receiving PSI funding must make completed PSI reports available to all courts and law enforcement agencies within the State of Ohio upon request.

- 4. Program Reporting: The Grantee shall prepare and submit to the Grantor the following reports:
A. Expenditure Reporting: Expenditure reports shall be completed in accordance with the CCA 2.0 Grant Financial guidelines.
1. Expenditure Report: Bi-annual expenditure reports shall be completed in installments by the Grantee and submitted thirty (30) days after the end of each bi-annual period per the CCA 2.0 financial guidelines. Grantee shall provide supporting documentation of expenditures in the report if requested by the Grantor.
2. Final Expenditure Report: The final expenditure report shall be completed in installments, reporting all grant funds expended during the grant period. The final expenditure report shall be submitted by January 30, 2028.
B. Performance Reporting: Performance reports shall be completed in accordance with the ODCRC Community Corrections grant manual.
1. Performance Reports: Bi-annual performance reports shall be completed in installments by the Grantee and submitted thirty (30) days after the end of each bi-annual period per the ODCRC Community Corrections grant manual. Performance reports shall indicate the measurable progress made toward achieving the established performance outcomes/goals approved in the FY2027 grant application. The established performance-based standards for scheduled community corrections act programs are in accordance with OAC 5120.1-5-04.
The Grantee's level of achievement of those goals at the end of each performance period is a factor in determining if the Grantor will renew this Agreement in the next grant cycle. The Grantee shall cooperate with and provide any additional information as may be required by the Grantor in carrying out an evaluation of the Program Services.

- 7. Standards: The Grantee shall comply with the laws and rules for subsidy awards to municipal corporations and counties as set forth in RC 5149.31, RC 5149.36, and OAC rule 5120.1-5-06. In accordance with paragraphs (C) and (D) of OAC rule 5120.1-5-06, the intensive supervision probation deviation cap shall be ten percent during the term of this Agreement and if said cap is impermissibly exceeded then funds shall be reduced.
8. The Grantee shall identify a Program Director for each site. The Program Director should have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in a criminal justice or social science field, or a minimum of five (5) years of full-time experience working with offenders. The Program Director shall be responsible for the following:
a. Input into the hiring of direct service delivery staff
b. Engaged and involved in the delivery of direct services to offenders.

- C. Grantee shall cooperate with Grantor and provide any additional information as may be required by Grantor in implementing the grant program. Failure to comply with any of these report requirements or providing instructions or requests for relevant information by the Grantor may result in the withholding of Funds until such time as Grantee so complies.
4. Funding: During the term of this agreement, Grantor shall provide funding as set forth in the attached exhibit(s). The total amount of funding for this agreement is \$83,799.00.
5. Termination and Reduction of Funds: Grantor may terminate Agreement only upon giving written notice of termination to Grantee by certified US Mail that includes a resolution to the same effect. The effective date of the termination shall be at the end of the state fiscal biennium, June 30, 2027. Upon termination, Grantee shall refund to the Grantor any Funds awarded to the Grantee which represents funding for Program Services not yet received and return equipment, supplies, or other tangible property, as determined by a financial close-out audit completed by the Grantor.

Grantor may terminate this Agreement or reduce Funds upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the Grantee. Grantee shall have ten (10) days following the receipt of said notice to present a petition for reconsideration to the Grantor's Managing Director of Court and Community. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this petition, the Managing Director shall respond, in writing, either approving the petition by continuing Funds or disapproving the petition and stating the reason(s) for the disapproval. Upon disapproval of a petition, termination of this Agreement shall be effective as of the date of the disapproval notification writing.

Furthermore, the Funds may be reduced, or the Agreement terminated by the Grantor if one or both of the following circumstances apply:

- A. The quality and extent of the Program Services has materially changed from the level proposed in the Grantee's grant application.
B. There is a financial or fiscal audit disclosure involving misuse of Funds.
6. Staffing: None of the persons who will staff and operate the Program Services, including those who receive a portion or the entirety of their salaries out of the Funds are employees or to be considered as employees of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction.
7. Workers' Compensation: Grantee shall provide their own workers' compensation coverage throughout the duration of the Agreement and any extensions thereof. Grantee is hereby released from any and all liability for injury received by the Grantee, its employees or agent while performing tasks, duties, work, or responsibilities as a result of the Program Services under this Agreement.
8. Dispute Resolution: The Grantor's Bureau of Community Services shall monitor Program Services during the term of this Agreement. The Grantor and the Chief of the Bureau of Community Services will attempt to settle any dispute which arises out of or relates to this Agreement, or any breach of this Agreement. If not settled, the Grantee may engage the Grantor's Deputy Director of Parole and Community Services for dispute resolution.
9. Grant Manual: The Grantee agrees to manage and account for Funds in accordance with the guidelines in the attached exhibit(s). The Grantor's Director of Program Services or designee shall be the final sign-off on behalf of the Grantor and be responsible for fiscal oversight including monitoring and reviewing the expenditures of Funds each quarter. Purchases made with the Funds shall be in accordance with county/municipal competitive solicitation requirements.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers, of the day and year first above written.

FOR THE GRANTOR:

Matthew Morris

Matthew Morris, Chief Bureau of Community Services

Roger D. Wilson

Roger Wilson, Deputy Director Director of Parole & Community Services

FOR THE GRANTEE (if Commissioner, County Executive or Mayor or Manager):

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 6-24-25

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 6-24-25

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 6-24-25

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 6-24-25

County Commissioner Date Mayor/City Manager Date

- 18. Compliance: All expenditures of Funds made by the Grantee shall be governed by the laws of the State of Ohio, including OAC Chapter 5149.31, RC 5149.32, RC 5149.33, and RC 5149.36. The Grantee shall comply with the rules of OAC Chapter 5120.1-5 (Community Based Corrections Program) which are applicable under this Agreement. If Grantee fails to so comply, the Grantor shall give the Grantee a reasonable period of time to come into such compliance. Grantee's failure to timely comply may be cause for the Grantor to terminate this Agreement or reduce Funds.
19. Estimates of Expenditures: Period: Expenditure period is 30 months. Grantor may extend the expenditure period if a large amount of funds remains unspent at the end of the fiscal year due to unforeseeable circumstances. Unforeseeable circumstances include, but is not limited to, insurrection, riot, statewide health emergencies or depleted work force that is not caused by other party. Extension of the expenditure period will be communicated in a manner determined by Grantor.

12. Conflicts of Interest and Ethics Compliance: No personnel of Grantee or member of the governing body of any locality or other public official or employee of any such locality in which, or relating to which, the work under this Agreement is being carried out, and who exercise any functions or responsibilities in connection with the review or approval of this Agreement or carrying out of any such work, shall, prior to the completion of said work, voluntarily acquire any personal interest, direct or indirect, which is incompatible or in conflict with the discharge and fulfillment of his or her functions and responsibilities with respect to the carrying out of said work.

Any such person who acquires an incompatible or conflicting personal interest, on or after the effective date of this Agreement, or who involuntarily acquires any such incompatible or conflicting personal interest, shall immediately disclose his or her interest to Grantor in writing. Thereafter, he or she shall not participate in any action affecting the work under this Agreement, unless Grantor shall determine in its sole discretion that, in the light of the personal interest disclosed, his or her participation in any such action would not be contrary to the public interest.

Grantee certifies that by executing this Agreement, it has reviewed, knows and understands the State of Ohio's ethics and conflict of interest laws. Grantee further agrees that it will not engage in any action(s) inconsistent with Ohio ethics laws or any Executive Orders.

13. Contract: All contracts by the Grantor for Program Services must be in writing, contain performance criteria, have itemized service costs, indicate responsibility of parties involved, state conditions for termination of the contract and be approved by the appropriate county officials before their implementation. A copy of such contract(s) shall be forwarded to the Chief of the Bureau of Community Services.

14. Funding for Recovery: The Grantee warrants that it is not subject to an "unresolved" finding for recovery under RC 9.24, or that it has taken the appropriate remedial steps required under R.C. 9.24 and otherwise qualifies under that section. If the warranty is deemed to be false, this Agreement is void ab initio and the Grantee must immediately repay any Funds to the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, or the Ohio Attorney General if the collection is so referred.

15. Certification of Funds: It is expressly understood and agreed by the Parties that some of the rights, duties, and obligations described in this Agreement shall be binding on either Party until all relevant statutory provisions of the Ohio Revised Code, including, but not limited to, RC 126.67, have been complied with, and until such time as all necessary Funds are available or encumbered and, when required, such expenditure of Funds is approved by the Controlling Board of the State of Ohio, and further, until such time that Grantor gives the Grantee the appropriate letter that such Funds are available to Grantee.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ACT 2.0 GRANT

EXHIBIT A

1. Purpose: The Grantor is authorized pursuant to RC 5149.31, RC 5149.32, and RC 5149.36 to determine and award grant funds to assist local governments in community-based corrections program services that are designed to reduce or divert the number of persons committed to state penal institutions and/or detained in and/or committed to local corrections agencies.

2. Funding: The Grantor awards to the Grantee a maximum amount of Eighty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Dollars and Zero Cents dollars (\$83,799.00) (hereinafter referred to as "Funds"), to be paid in quarterly installments for the period beginning with the effective date of this agreement and ending June 30, 2027, subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement. The Grantor will make payments of Funds by electronic fund transfer to the Grantee's designee. Such payments will be made during the first month of each quarter of the Grantor's fiscal year until the Funds have been expended.

Program's tax identification number is 31-4409963

Fund Agency designated to act on behalf of the Grantee:

Agency Name: ATHENS COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE

Agency Contact: RIC WASSERMAN

- 3. Local Funds: RC 5149.33 prohibits a Grantee from reducing local funds if expends for services provided by the Grantor. Grant funding shall not be expended for services in excess of those being made from local funds. Grant funding shall not be used to make capital investments. If Grantee violates this paragraph, the Grantee may discontinue funds to the Grantee, pursuant to the process set forth in paragraph D of OAC 5120.1-5-07.
4. Program Services: The Grantee shall implement and be responsible for the program services as set forth in Grantee's application (hereinafter referred to as Program Services) in response to Grantor's Community Correction Act Grant which are incorporated herein by reference, in order to obtain Funds available through the Community Non-Residential Programs Subsidy. Any significant change or reduction in Program Services requires the prior written approval of the Grantor. In the event such change, or such reduction is approved, the Grantor may make appropriate changes in the Funds.
5. Pre-Sentence Investigations (PSI) Services: If Pre-Sentence Investigation (PSI) services are applicable, then the following requirements apply to PSI services:
a. The Funds can be used to hire an employee(s) or independent contractor(s) to conduct PSI reports that meet the requirements of RC 2951.03. The employee(s) or independent contractor(s) shall only perform duties for the Grantee related to the completion of PSI reports and shall receive training and be certified for using the Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS).

- 9. The Grantee must demonstrate support and value by criminal justice and local community stakeholders.
16. The Grantee should ensure at least seventy-five percent (75%) of staff providing case management or programming to offenders have an Associate's degree or higher in a criminal justice or social science field.
11. The Grantee shall have a written code of ethics, which is communicated to staff. Violations of the code of ethics shall be addressed according to organizational policy.
12. The Grantee shall ensure a minimum of 70% of the programming, referrals, and services offered target criminogenic need.
13. The Grantee shall maintain detailed treatment manuals, utilized by facilitators, containing goals and content of the group, teaching methods, lesson plans, exercises, activities and assignments.
14. The Grantee shall retain all offender records for a minimum of three (3) years from the date of offender termination from the organization.
15. The Grantee's policy manual shall include but is not limited to the following:
a. A policy outlining the retention and disposal of all grant purchased equipment and corresponding inventory list according to grant guidelines.
b. Fiscal policies and procedures, including but not limited to: internal controls, petty cash, bonding, and signature control on checks, client funds, and employee expense reimbursements.
c. A policy requiring all CCA fiscal records are readily accessible and provide verification of grant expenditures.
d. A policy requiring fiscal oversight by the Program Director or designee, including monitoring and reviewing the expenditures of budgeted funds and tracking of grant expenditures.

**Federal Valley Resource Center Senior Program - Theresa Lackey**

Theresa Lackey from the Federal Valley Resource Center in Stewart presented an update on their senior programming and requested \$14,000 in funding to continue operations. Highlights included:

- \* Weekly senior day programs every Wednesday, including chair yoga, crafts, and healthy aging activities.
- \* Daily activities available such as pickleball, exercise room access, music performances, and a bluegrass jam (95% senior participation).
- \* A focus on social connection, Appalachian arts, and multi-week art workshops.
- \* The program is entirely volunteer-run and serves as a vital community resource for engagement, health, and leadership among seniors.
- \* Last year's \$4,000 grant helped cover supplies and instructors; additional funding is now needed due to the end of Healthy Aging grants and rising operating costs.
- \* The program supports independence and leadership among seniors and has documented high participation and impact.
- \* Commissioners acknowledged the importance of the program and noted the upcoming review of senior-related funding allocations.

**Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the amounts and tax rates as established by the Budget Commission for various funds.

See back of page 213 for Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Travel**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to approve the following travel:

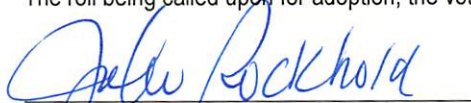
Auditor Jill Davidson & Brandi Sanders; Ohio GFOA Conference, Columbus OH; 09/16-09/19/25

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

**Adjourn**

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Chmiel to adjourn the above meeting.

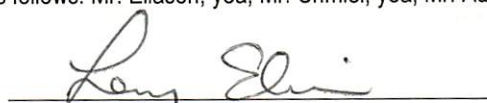
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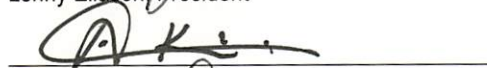
JoAnn Rockhold, Administrator



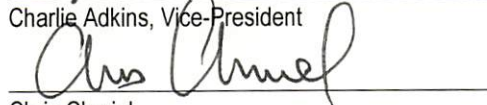
Alison Pierson, Clerk



Lenny Eliason, President



Charlie Adkins, Vice-President



Chris Chmiel



Form SF-270

Pending ARC Approval For OH-28238-A

Reimbursement Amount: \$0.00
Advance Payment Amount: \$0.00
Total Payment Amount: \$0.00
Project Coordinator Name: Barnes, Elizabeth
Author Name:
Date of Action:
Project Coordinator Comments:

Form SF-270: REQUEST FOR ADVANCE OR REIMBURSEMENT. Includes sections for Agency Information, Recipient Organization, Financial Summary, and Certification. Signature of Leary Elmer, Athens County Coordinator.

OH-28238

Form SF-278

Financial Report #2

Pending ARC Approval For OH-28238

Reimbursement Amount: \$0.00
Advance Payment Amount: \$0.00
Total Payment Amount: \$0.00
Project Coordinator Name: Barnes, Elizabeth
Author Name:
Date of Action:
Project Coordinator Comments:


Form SF-278: REQUEST FOR ADVANCE OR REIMBURSEMENT. Includes sections for Agency Information, Recipient Organization, Financial Summary, and Certification. Signature of Leary Elmer, Athens County Coordinator.

## Financial Report #1

Pending  
ARC Approval for OH-2253

Reimbursement Amount \$0.00  
 Advance Payment Amount \$0.00  
 Total Payment Amount \$0.00  
 Project Coordinator Name: Danner, Elizabeth  
 Action Taken:  
 Date of Action:  
 Project Coordinator Comments:

Form SF-270

| 1. TYPE OF PAYMENT REQUESTED  |                | Reimbursement  | 2. BASIS OF REQUEST                                      |        |
|---|----------------|--|--|--------|
| Request for Advance or Reimbursement  |                | Partial  | Cash   |        |
| 3. FEDERAL SPONSORING AGENCY AND ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENT TO WHICH THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED   |                | 4. FED GRANT OR OTHER IDENTIFYING NUMBER ASSIGNED BY FED AGENCY            |  |        |
| Applicable Request Committee  |                | OH-2253-E23  |  |        |
| 5. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER   |                | 6. PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REQUEST  |  |        |
| 24-00000  |                | FROM (month, day, year) TO (month, day, year)                              |  |        |
|   |                | 01/01/04 01/01/04  |  |        |
| 7. RECIPIENT'S ACCOUNT NUMBER OR IDENTIFYING NUMBER   |                | 8. PAYEE ORGANIZATION (where check is to be sent if different than Item 3) |  |        |
| Name: Akron County  |                | Name: Akron County   |  |        |
| Number and Street: 10 S. Court Street   |                | Number and Street: 10 S. Court Street                                      |  |        |
| City, State and ZIP Code: Akron, Ohio 44311   |                | City, State and ZIP Code: Akron, Ohio 44311                                |  |        |
| 9. COMPUTATION OF AMOUNT OF REIMBURSEMENTS / ADVANCES REQUESTED   |                |  |  |        |
| PROGRAM/PROJECT/COMMITTEE/TITLE   | (a) ARC Grants | (b) Cash Grants  | (c) In-Kind Grants                                       | TOTAL  |
| a. Total program outlays to date (As of date 01/01/04)  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| b. Less: Cumulative program income  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| c. Net program outlays (Also in column line 5)  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| d. Estimated net cash outlays for advance period  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| e. Total (Sum of lines a & d)   | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| f. Non-Federal share of amount on line e  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| g. Federal share of amount on e   | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| h. Federal amount previously requested  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| i. Federal share now requested (Also in column line 5)  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| j. Advance needed for month which requested by Federal sponsor agency for use in advance period   | 1st month      |  |  |        |
|   | 2nd month      |  |  |        |
|   | 3rd month      |  |  |        |
| 10. ALTERNATE COMPUTATION FOR ADVANCES ONLY   |                |  |  |        |
| a. Estimated Federal cash outlays that will be made during period covered by the advance  |                |  |  |        |
| b. Less: Estimated balance of Federal cash on hand as of beginning of advance period  |                |  |  |        |
| c. Amount requested (Also in column line 5)   |                |  |  |        |
| 11. CERTIFICATION   |                |  |  |        |
| I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the data shown are correct and that all outlays were made in accordance with the grant conditions or other agreement and that payment is due and has not been previously requested. |                |  | DATE REQUEST SUBMITTED<br>6/24/04                        |        |
| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICER<br>   |                |  | TELEPHONE (AREA CODE, NUMBER, EXTENSION)<br>740-883-6210 |        |
| TYPED OR PRINTED NAME AND TITLE<br>Loney Elman<br>Akron County Coordinator  |                |  |  |        |


OH-2253-A

## Financial Report #1

Pending  
ARC Approval for OH-2253-A

Reimbursement Amount \$0.00  
 Advance Payment Amount \$0.00  
 Total Payment Amount \$0.00  
 Project Coordinator Name: Danner, Elizabeth  
 Action Taken:  
 Date of Action:  
 Project Coordinator Comments:

Form SF-270

| 1. TYPE OF PAYMENT REQUESTED  |                | Reimbursement  | 2. BASIS OF REQUEST                                      |        |
|---|----------------|--|--|--------|
| Request for Advance or Reimbursement  |                | Partial  | Cash   |        |
| 3. FEDERAL SPONSORING AGENCY AND ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENT TO WHICH THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED   |                | 4. FED GRANT OR OTHER IDENTIFYING NUMBER ASSIGNED BY FED AGENCY            |  |        |
| Applicable Request Committee  |                | OH-2253-A  |  |        |
| 5. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER   |                | 6. PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REQUEST  |  |        |
| 24-00000  |                | FROM (month, day, year) TO (month, day, year)                              |  |        |
|   |                | 01/01/04 1/01/04   |  |        |
| 7. RECIPIENT'S ACCOUNT NUMBER OR IDENTIFYING NUMBER   |                | 8. PAYEE ORGANIZATION (where check is to be sent if different than Item 3) |  |        |
| Name: Akron County  |                | Name: Akron County   |  |        |
| Number and Street: 10 S. Court Street   |                | Number and Street: 10 S. Court Street                                      |  |        |
| City, State and ZIP Code: Akron, Ohio 44311   |                | City, State and ZIP Code: Akron, Ohio 44311                                |  |        |
| 9. COMPUTATION OF AMOUNT OF REIMBURSEMENTS / ADVANCES REQUESTED   |                |  |  |        |
| PROGRAM/PROJECT/COMMITTEE/TITLE   | (a) ARC Grants | (b) Cash Grants  | (c) In-Kind Grants                                       | TOTAL  |
| a. Total program outlays to date (As of date 01/01/04)  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| b. Less: Cumulative program income  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| c. Net program outlays (Also in column line 5)  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| d. Estimated net cash outlays for advance period  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| e. Total (Sum of lines a & d)   | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| f. Non-Federal share of amount on line e  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| g. Federal share of amount on e   | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| h. Federal amount previously requested  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| i. Federal share now requested (Also in column line 5)  | \$0.00         | \$0.00   | \$0.00   | \$0.00 |
| j. Advance needed for month which requested by Federal sponsor agency for use in advance period   | 1st month      |  |  |        |
|   | 2nd month      |  |  |        |
|   | 3rd month      |  |  |        |
| 10. ALTERNATE COMPUTATION FOR ADVANCES ONLY   |                |  |  |        |
| a. Estimated Federal cash outlays that will be made during period covered by the advance  |                |  |  |        |
| b. Less: Estimated balance of Federal cash on hand as of beginning of advance period  |                |  |  |        |
| c. Amount requested (Also in column line 5)   |                |  |  |        |
| 11. CERTIFICATION   |                |  |  |        |
| I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the data shown are correct and that all outlays were made in accordance with the grant conditions or other agreement and that payment is due and has not been previously requested. |                |  | DATE REQUEST SUBMITTED<br>6/24/04                        |        |
| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICER<br>   |                |  | TELEPHONE (AREA CODE, NUMBER, EXTENSION)<br>740-883-6210 |        |
| TYPED OR PRINTED NAME AND TITLE<br>Loney Elman<br>Akron County Coordinator  |                |  |  |        |

Progress Report

Form SF-PPR

ARC Approval for OH-20536-A

Reimbursement Amount: \$0.00  
 Advance Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Total Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Project Coordinator Name: Semcer, Elizabeth  
 Project Coordinator Comments:

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|---|--|---|
| 1. Awarding Federal agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted<br>Appalachian Regional Commission   | 2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by the awarding Federal agency<br>OH-20536-A | 3a. DUNS Number<br>ENGFKDSVYTK3<br>3b. EIN<br>51-6400053  |
| 4. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including zip code)<br>Athens County   |  | 5. Recipient Account Number or Account Number   |
| 6. Project/Grant Period<br>Start Date: (Month, Day, Year)<br>10/1/2024<br>End Date: (Month, Day, Year)<br>9/30/2031   | 7. Reporting Period End Date<br>(Month, Day, Year)<br>11/30/2024                                   | 8. Final Report?<br>No<br>9. Report Frequency<br>Other<br>If other, describe: Every 4 months                    |
| 10. Performance Narrative<br>RFP finalized and published; responses expected at the start of next reporting period.   |  |   |
| 11. Other Attachments (attach other documents as needed or as instructed by the awarding Federal Agency)  |  |   |
| 12. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents. |  |   |
| 12a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Representative<br>Lenny Ellison<br>Athens County Commissioner   |  | 12b. Telephone (area code, number and extension)<br>740-592-3219<br>12c. Email Address<br>lellison@athensoh.org |
| 12d. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official<br><i>Lenny Ellison</i>  |  | 12e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)<br>6/24/25  |

Progress Report

Form SF-PPR

ARC Approval for OH-22038

Reimbursement Amount: \$0.00  
 Advance Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Total Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Project Coordinator Name: Semcer, Elizabeth  
 Project Coordinator Comments:

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|---|--|---|
| 1. Awarding Federal agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted<br>Appalachian Regional Commission   | 2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by the awarding Federal agency<br>OH-22038 | 3a. DUNS Number<br>ENGFKDSVYTK3<br>3b. EIN<br>51-6400053  |
| 4. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including zip code)<br>Athens County   |  | 5. Recipient Account Number or Account Number   |
| 6. Project/Grant Period<br>Start Date: (Month, Day, Year)<br>10/1/2024<br>End Date: (Month, Day, Year)<br>9/30/2031   | 7. Reporting Period End Date<br>(Month, Day, Year)<br>5/31/2025                                  | 8. Final Report?<br>No<br>9. Report Frequency<br>Other<br>If other, describe: Every 4 months                    |
| 10. Performance Narrative<br>RFP responses received; Proctor selected as the winning bidder; Contracts executed and sent to Beth Semcer at ARC on May 12th.                                   |  |   |
| 11. Other Attachments (attach other documents as needed or as instructed by the awarding Federal Agency)  |  |   |
| 12. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents. |  |   |
| 12a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Representative<br>Lenny Ellison<br>Athens County Commissioner   |  | 12b. Telephone (area code, number and extension)<br>740-592-3219<br>12c. Email Address<br>lellison@athensoh.org |
| 12d. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official<br><i>Lenny Ellison</i>  |  | 12e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)<br>6/24/25  |

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Form SF-PPR

ARC Approval for OH-20536-A

Reimbursement Amount: \$0.00  
 Advance Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Total Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Project Coordinator Name: Samoz, Elizabeth  
 Project Coordinator Comments:

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| 1. Awardee Federal agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted<br>Appalachian Regional Commission  |  | 2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by the awarding Federal agency<br>OH-20536-A                | 3a. DUNS Number<br>E0GFKD6V7YK3<br>3b. EIN<br>51-6400063                                     |
| 4. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including zip code)<br>Athens County   |  |   | 5. Recipient Account Number or Account Number  |
| 6. Project/Grant Period<br>Start Date (Month, Day, Year)<br>10/1/2024<br>End Date (Month, Day, Year)<br>9/30/2031   |  | 7. Reporting Period End Date<br>(Month, Day, Year)<br>3/31/2025   | 8. Final Report?<br>No<br>9. Report Frequency<br>Other<br>If other, describe: Every 4 months |
| 10. Performance Narrative (Initial RPP was modified and re-issued in early January; started negotiations with Funder; hope to have contract in place in the next report period.)              |  |   |  |
| 11. Other Attachments (attach other documents as needed or as instructed by the awarding Federal Agency)  |  |   |  |
| 12. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents. |  |   |  |
| 12a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorizing Certifying Representative<br>Lucy Elison<br>Athens County Commissioner  |  | 12b. Telephone (area code, number and extension)<br>740-592-3219<br>12c. Email Address<br>lelison@athenscount.org |  |
| 13a. Signature of Authorizing Certifying Official<br><i>Lucy Elison</i>   |  | 13b. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)<br>6/24/25  |  |

Progress Report

Form SF-PPR

ARC Approval for OH-22038

Reimbursement Amount: \$0.00  
 Advance Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Total Payment Amount: \$0.00  
 Project Coordinator Name: Samoz, Elizabeth  
 Project Coordinator Comments:

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|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Awardee Federal agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted<br>Appalachian Regional Commission  |  | 2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by the awarding Federal agency<br>OH-22038                  | 3a. DUNS Number<br>E0GFKD6V7YK3<br>3b. EIN<br>51-6400063                                     |
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| 10. Performance Narrative<br>RPP finalized and published; responses expected at the start of next reporting period.   |  |   |  |
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