Greene County Mental Health & Recovery Levy Fact Sheet for Issue 22

Election Date: November 6, 2012
The Mental Health & Recovery Levy is ISSUE 22 on all Greene County ballots.

Important Levy Facts:
- **NO NEW TAXES!**
- This is a 1.5 mil **RENEWAL** levy and it **WILL NOT INCREASE** your taxes.
- Greene County levy dollars are spent **ONLY** on Greene County residents.
- This levy will allow us to continue to support families with mental health issues.
- Any decrease in funding will result in a decrease in services for people with mental health problems.

Key Messages:
State of Ohio funding has been cut dramatically; failure of the Mental Health levy will result in **over 75% in cuts** and further reduction of local services.

- Mental health and alcohol/drug services were provided to over **9,000 Greene County residents and their families** last year
- In the past ten years, the number of people who have accessed mental health services in Greene County has **increased by 45%**
- In the past ten years, the number of Greene County residents who accessed alcohol/drug services **increased by over 50%**
- In the past ten years, the number of Greene County children and youth who accessed mental health and alcohol/drug services **increased by over 60%**

**Every dollar lost curtails services to Greene County residents.**

How the Levy Helps Greene County:
This levy funds treatment and supportive services including:

- Crisis response and suicide services
- Family Solutions Center
- Medication for youth and adults
- Greene Leaf Therapeutic Community
- Drug and alcohol services for youth
- Help for the homeless
- Christopher House
- Counseling for youth, adults, and families
- School-based mental health in all districts
- TCN Behavioral Health Services
- Women’s Recovery Center
- Aid to law enforcement and courts

For Information, Assistance or to Contribute to the Levy Campaign:
Mental Health Levy Campaign Website: [www.mhrb.org/levy.html](http://www.mhrb.org/levy.html)
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Here are just a few Success Stories from the thousands of Greene County residents who have benefited from mental health and recovery services:

“Family Violence Prevention Center gave me a safe home, food, and clothing, helping me get back on my feet.”
— A Single Mom in Greene County

“My cancer was easier to deal with than the despair we felt with our child. Help from Greene County NAMI literally saved our lives.”
— A Retired Air Force Officer in Fairborn

“My addiction took away everything. Thanks to Women’s Recovery Center, I not only got my life back, but also my voice to share the miracles happening everyday.”
— A Single Woman in Xenia

“Housing Solutions brought real help to my situation. I’ve been able to keep my apartment for 7 years—a life-saving measure.”
— A Former Homeless Greene County Resident

“Counseling and medical staff at Family Solutions Center helped my son grow from a frightened child unable to cope with his depression to a confident young man who is now in college.”
— A Greene County Mother and Teacher

“If it wasn’t for my therapist, I would probably be dead, or someplace very bad.”
— A Beavercreek High School Student

**HOW YOU CAN HELP PASS THE GREENE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH LEVY:**

- Place a **YARD SIGN** to show your support for mental health
- Encourage your **FRIENDS and FAMILY** to vote YES for the mental health levy, Issue 22
- Pass out this **FACT SHEET** to your friends and family
- **REGISTER** to vote by October 9th and help others **VOTE EARLY**
- **DRIVE OTHERS** to the polls from October 2nd through November 6th

If you would like to make a contribution (NOTE: contributions are not tax deductible) to the Greene County Mental Health Levy Campaign, make your check payable to:

Greene County Mental Health Levy Campaign, 452 West Market Street, Xenia, OH 45385

CALL Toll-free 1-800-435-7968, ext. 103 for more information.