

**Date:** March 8, 2016

**Resolution No. 16-181**

**Title:** Establishment of the Lucas County Healthier Buckeye Council in Accordance with Ohio Revised Code 355.02

**Department/Agency:** Board of Lucas County Commissioners

**Contact:** David Kontur, Director

**Summary/Background:** As per ORC 355.02, the Board of County Commissioners may adopt a resolution to establish and specify the organization of a local Healthier Buckeye Council (HBC). Ohio Revised Code Section 355.02 provides that the Lucas County Healthier Buckeye Council generally shall promote cooperation and coordination to maximize opportunities for individuals and families to achieve and maintain optimal health in all aspects, thereby achieving greater productivity and reducing reliance on publicly funded assistance programs.

In Lucas County, the Bridges out of Poverty Impact Coalition serves as the Steering Committee for the Bridges out of Poverty Initiative in Lucas County and has a purpose consistent with the defined purpose and goals of the HBC. The Bridges out of Poverty Coordinator provides staffing for the Impact Coalition and is housed under the Lucas County Family and Children First Council (LCFC).

The Board of Lucas County Commissioners will designate the LCFC as the staffing agent for the Lucas County Healthier Buckeye Council and the Office of Management and Budget as the Fiscal Agent.

**Budget Impact:** Staffing is supported through funds supporting the Bridges out of Poverty Coordinator. Additional projects to carry out the HBC plans will be funded through grants and funding secured by the HBC.

**Statutory Authority/ORC:** ORC 121.37

**Commissioner Gerken offered the following resolution:**

WHEREAS, in consideration of the above, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners, Lucas County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. The Board authorizes the establishment of the Lucas County Healthier Buckeye Council by designating the Bridges out of Poverty Impact Coalition and its defined members as the Lucas County Healthier Buckeye Council in accordance with the requirements of ORC 355.02.

Section 2. That they hereby authorize the County Administrator to execute this resolution and submit a copy of the executed resolution to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee as required by ORC 355.02.

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Section 3. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in those formal actions were in a meeting open to the public in compliance with the law.

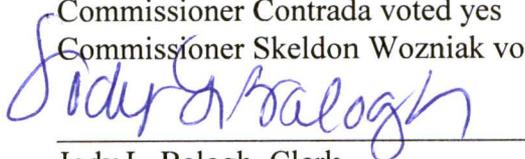
Section 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

**Action Taken:**

Commissioner Gerken voted yes

Commissioner Contrada voted yes

Commissioner Skeldon Wozniak voted yes



Jody L. Balogh, Clerk