

## Efficiency and Innovation Fund Grant Recipients

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) has awarded 51 Efficiency and Innovation grants through the Children Services Funding Workgroup. The awards are in line with the workgroup’s recommendations, which are available here:

<http://humanservices.ohio.gov/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=2147634695>

All county public children services agencies were eligible to submit grant proposals. ODJFS received 83 applications, from both individual agencies and multiple agencies applying together. Counties of all sizes submitted a variety of requests, reflecting both applicants’ creativity and the tremendous diversity of Ohio.

In accordance with the workgroup’s recommendations, the total amount of state funding to be distributed was \$6.8 million. Each county was allowed to apply individually for up to \$250,000; counties could apply jointly for another \$250,000. To ensure maximum buying power from these General Revenue Funds, ODJFS asked counties to review and adjust their budgets as appropriate to include any federal matching funds. The goal was to ensure that state funds would stretch as far as possible to maximize the number of awards. Federal match, plus additional state funds, allowed ODJFS to award 10 additional grants.

Below are the 51 counties or joint county proposals that will receive Efficiency and Innovation funding:

Allen	Clinton	Gallia Meigs	Madison	Richland
Allen Hardin	Columbiana	Guernsey	Marion	Sandusky
Athens	Coshocton	Hancock Seneca Wood Wyandot Putnam	Medina	Summit
Auglaize	Crawford	Henry	Meigs	Trumbull
Belmont Monroe	Cuyahoga	Highland	Miami	Tuscarawas
Butler	Defiance/Paulding	Jackson	Southwest Region (lead agency – Montgomery)	Union
Carroll	Defiance/Paulding Auglaize	Jefferson	Morrow	Williams
Carroll Columbiana Jefferson	Erie	Lake	Morrow Knox	
Champaign	Fairfield	Licking	Ottawa	
Clark	Fairfield Perry	Logan	Pickaway	
Clermont	Gallia	Lucas	Portage	