



Eastern Ohio Correctional Center
Wintersville, OH
Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana,
Guernsey, Harrison, Jefferson,
Monroe, Noble

Franklin County CBCF
Columbus, OH
Franklin

Lucas County Correctional
Treatment Facility
Toledo, OH
Lucas

MonDay Community Correctional
Institution
Dayton, OH
Darke, Green, Miami,
Montgomery, Preble, Fayette

NorthEast Ohio Community
Alternative Program
Warren, OH
Ashtabula, Geauga, Lake, Portage,
Trumbull

NorthWest Community
Corrections Center
Bowling Green, OH
Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Williams,
Wood

River City Correctional Center
Cincinnati, OH
Hamilton

STAR Community Justice Center
Franklin Furnace, OH
Nelsonville, OH
Adams, Athens, Brown, Clinton,
Fairfield, Gallia, Highland, Hocking,
Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs,
Morgan, Pickaway, Perry, Pike,
Ross, Scioto, Vinton, Washington

Stark Regional Correction Center
Louisville, OH
Holmes, Stark, Tuscarawas, Wayne

W.O.R.T.H. Center
Lima, OH
Allen, Auglaize, Hancock, Hardin,
Mercer, Putnam, Paulding, Shelby,
Van Wert

West Central Community
Correctional Facility
Marysville, OH
Champaign, Clark, Delaware,
Logan, Madison, Marion, Morrow,
Union

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Ohio Operating Budget

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Greetings Chair Dolan, Vice-Chair Cirino, Ranking Member Sykes, and members of the Senate Finance Committee. My name is Cary Williams, I am the Executive Director of NorthWest Community Corrections Center in Wood County, and a Trustee of CorJus, Inc. CorJus is a professional association that represents eleven publicly operated Community Based Correctional Facilities (CBCFs) in Ohio.

On behalf of CorJus, I wanted to take a moment to thank the Senate Membership, and express our support, for your version of the state operating budget. Your proposed budget works to address many issues facing Ohioans today. Maintaining the proposed increases in the 501501-line item shows your willingness to identify and address needs in communities. These proposed increases will allow CBCFs to begin addressing staffing needs and increases in operating costs due to the economic climate.

Additionally, I would like to thank the membership for maintaining the language regarding psychotropic medication reimbursement for CBCFs, as well as for restoring the MHA 336422-line item to the prior level. This access and restored funding will allow many more Ohioans to access the quality treatment provided in CBCFs while working to address their mental health needs.

In closing, I would like to again thank the members of the committee and the entire membership for the support they have shown CBCFs in the Senate version of the budget. Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, I appreciate you allowing me the opportunity to provide written testimony on House Bill 33, the state operating budget.

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