



November 2023 Legislative Update from **STATE REP. JUANITA O. BRENT**

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From the desk of Rep. Juanita O. Brent HOUSE DISTRICT 22

Dear Neighbor,

November is National Adoption Month. I have co-sponsored bills such as the Adoption Modernization (HB5) and the Foster To Scholarships Act (HB164) to ensure foster children can join good homes and have access to the resources they need to succeed.

This month we will be celebrating Thanksgiving and Veterans Day. This Month take a moment to recognize and give thanks for what matters most in your lives. Make sure to thank service members who have and continue to fight for your freedom.

This month I gave sponsor testimony for both the Black Maternal Health Week Bill (HB-190) and the Pet Friendly Tax Credit Act (HB 277). HB-190 would designate the week of April 11-17 as Black Maternal Health Week. HB277 would provide a tax credit for landlords who use pet-friendly policies in their rental units.

As always, contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,
State Representative Juanita O. Brent
House District 22

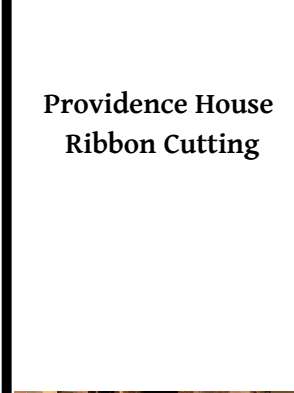
Ohio Domestic Violence Network with Rep. Galonski



Rep. Brent in The Community



Panelist at Metro Health Women's Empowerment Expo



Providence House Ribbon Cutting



Shabbat at Temple Tifereth Israel

Helpful Contacts

Public Safety: www.publicsafety.ohio.gov	Taxation: www.tax.ohio.gov	Jobs and Family Services: www.jfs.ohio.gov	Bureau of Motor Vehicles: www.bmv.ohio.gov
Highway Patrol 877-7-PATROL	Form Requests 800-282-1782	Veteran Services 888-296-7541	Information 800-589-TAGS
DUI Hotline 800-GRAB-DUI	Taxpayer Assistance 800-282-1780	Unemployment 877-644-6562	

Rep. Brent's Office Hour

Rep. Brent is inviting House District 22 residents to come ask questions, and speak with her about the District and the Statehouse.

Time: 3:30pm – 4:30pm

Where: Warrensville Heights Public Library
(4415 Northfield Rd, Warrensville Heights, OH)

November 13th, 2023

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District Directory

What is the District Directory?

The district directory is a booklet that provides information on public and elected officials as well as resources within House District 22

Where to find District Directories

- East Cleveland Public Library
- South Pointe Hospital
- Warrensville Heights Library (CCPL)
- Shaker Heights Public Library
- Cleveland Hts- University Hts Public Library
- Shaker Heights Bertram Woods Branch
- Coventry Village Library



CDL Improvements

New upgrades for renewing and receiving a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) have been announced.

CDL Modernized Testing

- Ohio truckers can now renew their CDL online
- Ohio truckers will now be tested on real-world scenarios.
- Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) has been increased from six months to 12 months

Job Opportunities

Ohio's Government Job portal has launched a new skills-based search function that help applicants apply for state government jobs.

Apply for Ohio Government Jobs at careers.ohio.gov/

Free Money

Early Childhood Education Grant

The Department of Education (ODE) is offering grant funding to support to early care and education programs. The ODE is also hosting office hours to answer questions and provide information for applicants.

Dates: Nov. 8th, Dec. 6th

Time: 12:00 (noon) to 1:00pm

Step 1: Go to education.ohio.gov

Step 2: Hover over Topics and Click Early Learning

Step 3: Click the [Early Childhood Education Grant](#) Link

Eligible Applicants

Joint Vocational School	Head Start programs
Chartered non-public schools	Public preschool programs
Board of Developmental Disabilities	Private preschool programs
Childcare Homes	Childcare Centers

Tech Cred Program

Ohio's TechCred Program is offering employers the chance to train employees in technology-focused courses. Employers can receive up to \$2,000, per credential an employee completes, in reimbursement.

Step 1: Go to techcred.ohio.gov

Step 2: Click the About Header

Step 3: Click the [Program Guidelines](#) tab

Deadline: November 30th, 2023