



A legislative update from
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Dear Neighbor,

Happy Fall, Ohio! As we enter this new season, I hope you and your family stay safe, healthy, and warm.

If you haven't yet, now is the perfect time to schedule a flu shot! Visit <https://www.vaccines.gov/find-vaccines/> to find a vaccine provider near you. It's important to stay up to date on your shots to keep you, your family, and your community healthy.

This October is National Work and Family Month. No matter who you are or where you live, I know how important it is to ensure everyone has the opportunity to have a good paying job that will support you and your family. I'm proud to support legislation that will make Ohio's economy work for working families.

The deadline to register to vote is Tuesday, October 10 for the November 7th election. I encourage you to check your registration or register for the first time by visiting voteohio.gov. Make your voice heard and keep our democracy strong!

I am proud to be your state representative. Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions, comments or concerns.

Sincerely,

Willis E Blackshear Jr.



Every day, more than 700 women in the U.S. are diagnosed with breast cancer. House Democrats will continue to support legislation that deserves the opportunity to receive the life-saving healthcare they need. Learn more about how you can prevent and detect breast cancer by visiting odh.ohio.gov/know-our-programs.



Recently Rep. Blackshear attended the Voices Against Violence Event held by the Dayton YWCA. This event was an amazing opportunity to help raise awareness and highlight the amazing work done by our local YWCA to combat domestic violence.



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM), a time to unite to end domestic violence. 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men experience severe intimate partner physical violence, and this month we join together to raise awareness and prevent these tragedies from continuing. Whether you realize it or not, you probably know someone affected by domestic violence, so it's time to take a stand and recognize how significant and widespread this issue is.

In many cases, people don't know they're being victimized, whether it is occurring at home or even on the internet. If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence, there are many resources in the Dayton community here to help you. The Artemis Center in Dayton works with the community to empower survivors and offer them safety. They are also always looking for volunteers to help in the fight against domestic violence. YWCA Dayton is another resource for individuals suffering from domestic violence, empowering women and promoting peace. These organizations, and the rest of the Dayton community, are actively working to ensure that victims receive the help they need and playing an active role in putting a stop to domestic violence.

For more resources, contact the Artemis Center 24/7 hotline at (937) 461 – HELP (4357), the YWCA hotline at (937) 222 – SAFE (7233), or visit their websites to chat online or access additional resources.



House Democrats Remind Constituents of the November 7th Election

Voting is one of the most fundamental rights that we have. Make sure you register to vote for the upcoming November election, where we will vote to determine our future. Make your voice heard! The last day to register for the November general election is October 10th.

Here are some additional dates that might be helpful:

- **October 10:** Voter registration deadline
- **October 11:** Early in-person & absentee voting begins
- **October 31:** Absentee ballot applications must be received by your board of elections by 8:30 p.m.
- **November 7: Election Day** (Polls open 6:30 am-7:30 pm)

Need to register or check your status? Register at: vote.ohio.gov.

