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ODJFS Disaster Assistance Available

COLUMBUS, OHIO – The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) is making disaster assistance available to low-income families, elderly individuals and those with disabilities in 45 counties that were hit hardest by the severe storm on June 29, 2012.

Assistance is being made available in the following counties: Allen, Athens, Auglaize, Belmont, Brown, Butler, Champaign, Clermont, Clinton, Coshocton, Fairfield, Franklin, Gallia, Greene, Guernsey, Hamilton, Hancock, Highland, Hocking, Jackson, Knox, Lawrence, Licking, Logan, Meigs, Mercer, Miami, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Paulding, Perry, Pike, Preble, Putnam, Ross, Scioto, Shelby, Van Wert, Vinton, Warren, Washington and Wyandot.

Low-income families with children, including pregnant women, may be eligible for up to \$1,500 in assistance per household. Elderly individuals and those with disabilities may be eligible for up to \$750 in assistance per household. The assistance can be used for a range of necessary expenses and essential purchases.

Assistance is available to families, elderly individuals and those with disabilities who earn 200 percent of the federal poverty level or less, or about \$46,000 for a family of four.

Those who believe they may be eligible should contact their county department of job and family services to apply for assistance. A directory of county agencies is available online at http://jfs.ohio.gov/County/County_Directory.pdf.

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