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National Workforce Development Month

Ohio Launches Campaign to Promote Careers in Children Services

COLUMBUS, OHIO – Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Director Matt Damschroder announced today that Ohio has launched a campaign to encourage individuals to consider a career in children services. The campaign includes multimedia advertising across the state, as well as the creation of OhioMeansJobs.ohio.gov/ChildrenServices, a new landing pages on OhioMeansJobs.com that makes it easier to explore careers and search for jobs in children services.

“Working in children services is more than just a job. It offers the opportunity to go home each night knowing you’re making someone’s life better,” said Governor Mike DeWine. “These new resources will make it easier for those with a passion to serve to identify opportunities in a meaningful and rewarding profession.”

ODJFS has committed approximately \$1 million for the campaign, which focuses on jobs with local public children services agencies (PCSAs). Ohio’s PCSAs serve all 88 counties across Ohio by providing direct services to children and families. These include child protection, foster and kinship care, adoption, and more. Children services caseworkers have many roles, including investigating reports of child abuse and working with families to create safer environments to care for children. They also help reunify foster youth with their birth families and, when that is not possible, help them find adoptive homes.

“If you have a desire to serve and a desire to learn, you can be a successful caseworker,” said Damschroder. “With children services agencies across Ohio, you are sure to find a job in children services by going to OhioMeansJobs.ohio.gov/ChildrenServices.”

Individuals who want to know more about being a children services caseworker can learn more at OhioMeansJobs.ohio.gov/ChildrenServices.

September is National Workforce Development Month, and ODJFS has been highlighting workforce development initiatives throughout the month. To view past announcements, visit jfs.ohio.gov/ocomm.

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The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services manages vital programs that strengthen Ohio families. These include job training and employment services, unemployment insurance, cash and food assistance, child care, child and adult protective services, adoption, and child support services.

