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CCAO BUDGET PRIORITIES

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND

- CCAO requests the LGF be restored to 3.68% of GRF taxes, its statutory level before being cut in 2011.
- Full restoration would provide at least \$185 million per year to counties, and additional resources for other local governments.
- These funds would support counties as they deal with inflation, state mandates, and workforce issues.

JAIL FUNDING

- CCAO requests that the state continues and expands support for jail construction and renovation, while addressing some of the high-cost operational needs for medical, mental health, and addiction services.

FULL FUNDING FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE

- CCAO requests that the state creates a permanent statutory commitment FOR FULL STATE FUNDING OF indigent defense while creating a pilot program allowing counties to opt-in to a state administered program.

CHILDREN SERVICES

- CCAO strongly encourages an increased state investment in child protection to enlist and retain quality case workers and recruit foster parents for the increasing number of children who need placements, as well as support best practices and in-home services.

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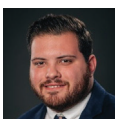
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LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

E-COMMERCE APPLICATIONS FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT

- CCAO supports the modernization of county procurement law to allow the use of credit cards to make online purchases of all services and goods that are needed for county operations.

NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) SYSTEM

- CCAO supports the Statewide Emergency Services Internet Protocol Network Steering Committee's (ESINet Committee) recommendation of a universal device fee. The revenue generated by the fee will allow for the creation of a statewide NG 9-1-1 network and subsequently increase public safety.

CHILD CARE & BENEFITS CLIFF

- Access to affordable and high-quality child care is a critical issue for families and for the workforce. CCAO supports the state increasing income eligibility for publicly-funded child care to 200% of the federal poverty level and increasing the capacity of the child care system to help address the "benefits cliff" for Ohio parents.

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