

Ohio Farm to Early Care and Education Coalition 2021-2022

Member Name	Title, Organization and Location	Who do you Represent? (Population, zip code, or neighborhood level)	Subgroup	Coalition member's emails	Are you currently working with OSU Extension? If so which County?
Carol Smathers	Associate Professor, Field Specialist in Youth Wellness and Nutrition (Columbus, Oh)	Ohio State University Extension County-based Educators Ohio Farm to School Network	Procurement	smathers.14@osu.edu	State level Specialist
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Ricardo Newell	Gourmet Gent Culinary Services & Cuyahoga Community College TRIO Program (Parma, Oh)	Student Advisor for the TRIO Program/ Personal & Private Chef	Coalition development	gourmetgent@gmail.com	
Alison Patrick	Program Manager, Cuyahoga County Board of Health (Parma, Oh)	Cuyahoga County residents, young children and families, Early Ages Healthy Stages coalition, ECE programs and professionals	Procurement	apatrick@ccbh.net	

		Northeast Ohio Feed Our Future regional school partners, School aged students and families, School Buying cooperative, Food hubs, food producers, and food growers			
Shali Cox	Owner, Rainbow Magic Daycare, LLC (Green Springs, Oh)	Rainbow Magic Daycare (Type A Home) Sandusky County	Policy Guidance and Education	rainbowmagic012@gmail.com	
Shannon Amos	VP Programs, Children's Hunger Alliance (Columbus, Oh)	We help day care providers, day care centers, local school districts and afterschool and summer programs provide balanced, healthy meals to children in their care across Ohio.	Coalition development	samos@childrenshungeralliance.org	
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Sediah Hamzah	Meals Made Easy (Cleveland, Oh)	Food delivery service	Coalition development	Mealsmadeeasy.sh@gmail.com	
Sophia Buggs	Owner, Lady Buggs Farm (Youngstown, Oh)	Urban Farm located on the South Side of Youngstown, Ohio A fourth generational grower connecting her black ancestry to the land	Coalition development	Ladybuggsfarm@gmail.com	Mahoning County
Libby Freeze	Food Access Coordinator, East End Community Services (Dayton, Oh)	Backyard Garden Program, where we install a raised bed garden to neighbors free of charge and mentor them through the growing season, teaching children and teens about gardening and nutrition through afterschool programs.		Elizabeth.freeze@westcare.com	
Lynne Steinhaus	Kids Care Academy and Elementary (Columbus, Oh)	Early Care Education Center serving young children	Procurement	lsteinhaus@kidscareelementary.org	
Christie Welch	Direct Agriculture Marketing Specialist, OSU South Centers (Chillicothe, Oh)	Provide training, information, and education on direct agricultural marketing to farms and agricultural enterprises to assist them in capturing a greater share of the market, increase their profits, and ensure the sustainability of locally produced foods.		welch.183@osu.edu	

Tom Redfern	Director of Sustainable Agriculture Rural Action (Athens, Oh)	Rural Action, Appalachian Accessible Food Network, Central Appalachian Network Athens, Meigs, Morgan, Perry, Washington, Hocking. High poverty rural region. Produce distribution and FTS processing, Farmers market and beginning farmer support. Food Safety support and training.	Procurement	tomr@ruralaction.org	Morgan County, Fairfield County.
Tonya Hayes	Ohio Department of Education (Columbus, Oh)	Early Learners, preschool programs (birth to age 5) in public and eligible community schools, education service centers, board of dd and chartered non-public schools.	Policy Guidance and Education	tonya.hayes@education.ohio.gov	
Omayra Vega-Feliciano	Childcare provider Home Based Learning Program (Cleveland, Oh)	Type B Family Childcare home provider	Policy Guidance and Education	Omayravegafeliciano@gmail.com	
Tama Ricks	Mid-Ohio Food Collective Farm Education Coordinator (Columbus, OH)	Mid-Ohio Food Collective serving within 20 county regions of 680 member agencies serving food insecure families (200 percent of federal poverty level). Mid-Ohio Farm focusing on urban farming utilizing smart technologies and innovated growing techniques to provide fresh food to our network and provide education to our communities. Education for K-12 schools, community workforce development, and beginner farmers.	Policy Guidance and Education	tricks@mofc.org	Franklin County
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Ann Woodard	ODJFS Child Care Policy Developer (Columbus, Oh)	State level Child Care Policy	Policy Guidance and Education	ann.woodard@jfs.ohio.gov	
Michelle Vent	Assistant Bureau Chief, Bureau of Child Care Licensing and Monitoring, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (Columbus, OH)	Child Care Licensing, State of Ohio	Policy Guidance and Education	michelle.vent@jfs.ohio.gov	
Crystal Genter	Child Health and Safety Assistant, Northwestern Ohio	Combating poverty in primary service areas: Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, Van Wert and Williams counties.	Policy Guidance and Education	cgenther@nocac.org	

	Community Action Commission (Defiance, Oh)				
Nadia Mulhall	Garden Manager, Highland Youth Garden (Columbus, Oh)	Provide hands-on learning environment for children, giving them the space and guidance to grow their own food in the Hilltop neighborhood	Policy Guidance and Education	nadia@highlandyouthgarden.org	
Cathy Heck	Horizon Education Center Director Business Operations (North Olmsted, Oh)	provide affordable care including educational curriculums and enrichment opportunities for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years in Western Cuyahoga County and Lorain County	Procurement	check@horizonohio.org	
Mindy Caldwell	French City Academy (Gallipolis, Oh)	Daycare and preschool in Gallipolis Ohio	Policy Guidance and Education	frenchcityacademy@gmail.com	
Leslie Rummel	4 th Street Farms (Columbus, Oh)	Located in Weinland Park, a neighborhood in Columbus Ohio. We collaborate with businesses and community organizations, serving the people of Weinland Park by building sustainable local food systems.		leslie.rummel@gmail.com	
Robin Peth-Pierce	Public Health Communications Consulting, LLC (North Royalton, OH)	Translating scientific advances in children's mental health for parents, clinical providers, and policymakers	Policy Guidance and Education	robinpethpierce@phcc4betterhealth.com	
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