

Below are notes from Governor DeWine's daily press conference. Cuts of \$775 million from agencies soon—details below.

Additionally, according to the Small Business Administration, Ohio businesses are in line for \$18.8 billion in forgivable loans through the Payment Protection Program. Between the two federal funding rounds, Ohio received the most of the Great Lake states, only behind Illinois.

Governor Mike DeWine

- In February, state revenues for the fiscal year were over \$200 million
- In the last two months, Ohio is below budgeted estimates by \$776.9
- National and state economic forecasts are unpredictable
- The Governor said that he will be cutting \$775 million from the state budget.
 1. Medicaid-\$210 million
 2. K12 Foundation Payment Reduction-\$300 million
 3. Other education budget line items-\$55 million
 4. Higher Education-\$110 million
 5. All other agencies-\$100 million
- "It could be a long, rainy storm" "It would be a miracle if we didn't dip into the rainy day fund"
- He will not draw down the money from the rainy day fund for the next two months. But Governor is anticipating having to use rainy day fund after this round of cuts.
- Governor went over cuts that have already been made—March 23 there was a hiring freeze, which continues. No pay increases, promotions, contracts. Freeze on travel. Only contracts for essential service.
- 20,969 confirmed cases and 1,135 deaths

Lt. Governor Jon Husted

- The state has gone through 9-11 and Great Recession, but nothing like this
- Showed chart that showed that 86.2% of state budget are services and programs like medicaid and schools,

Dr. Acton and Ohio Specific COVID-19 Numbers

- 20,969 confirmed cases (> 1-106 years in age, median is 51) (56% male and 44% women)
- 3,956 hospitalizations
- 1,123 admissions to ICU
- 1,135 deaths

Dr. Acton spoke about mental health concerns during this time.