



FIGURE 1:
WHAT IS THE

OHIO COMMISSION ON FATHERHOOD?

The Ohio Commission on Fatherhood (OCF or “Commission”) was codified in to state of Ohio law (Ohio Revised Code 5101.34 et seq.) in 1999. The Executive Director is appointed by the Governor of Ohio and reports to the Director of the Ohio Department of Children and Youth. Twenty Commissioners advise the Executive Director. The Commission is governed by ORC and Bylaws. It has a Purpose, Mission, and four Objectives.





FIGURE 2:

WHO ARE THE COMMISSIONERS?

Twenty Commissioners serve on the Commission. Commissioners represent the public, various state Departments, and the three branches of state government:

1. Bipartisan representation from the Ohio House of Representatives and Ohio Senate.
2. Governor or designee.
3. Supreme Court of Ohio Chief Justice appointee.



Back-to-Front: Dr. Mike Davis, Chairperson Scott Neely, Program Administrator Ashiko Hudson, Jeff Van Deusen, Joseph Hill, Tarik White Dion Baines, Representative Adam Holmes, Representative Riordan McClain, Project Manager Joshua Counciller, Representative Darnell Brewer, Secretary Susan Brown, Vice Chairperson Dr. Randy Leite, Socrates Tuch, Professional Administrator Terri Simons, Executive Director Kimberly Dent, Senator Michele Reynolds, Ronald Todd II, Ann Ream, and Pedro Munoz.

FIGURE 3:

WHAT ARE THE COMMISSION'S FATHERHOOD PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES?

The Commission funds fatherhood programs and initiatives.

1. **June is Responsible Fatherhood Month (JRFM) Events:** The Governor of Ohio issues a proclamation that June is Responsible Fatherhood Month. The Commission offers mini-grants to local communities to host father-child events.
2. **Ohio County Fatherhood Mobilization (OCFM) Initiative:** The Commission provides implementation grant dollars to counties to start fatherhood programming. Each county assembles a leadership team. With the help of a coach from the Ohio Practitioners' Network for Fathers and Families (OPNFF), the leadership team creates a Needs Assessment of the county, hosts a Community Conversation, and develops an Action Plan.
3. **Pilot Fatherhood Programs:** The Commission partners with a local organization. The organization tests solutions to a barrier fathers face that is not already included in the Commission's fatherhood programming.
4. **Serving, Educating, and Empowering (SEE) Fathers Programs:** The Commission funds local organizations with experience serving fathers. The SEE Fathers Programs serve all fathers seeking services in the assigned counties. The Commission provides the SEE Fathers Programs with performance-based reimbursement for serving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)-eligible fathers.





FIGURE 4:
**WHO ARE THE
SEE FATHERS PROGRAMS?**

The Commission funds nine SEE Fathers Programs. Each SEE Fathers Program serves at least two counties in Ohio. All SEE Fathers Programs offer core programming:

- Parenting
- Co-Parenting
- Economic Stability

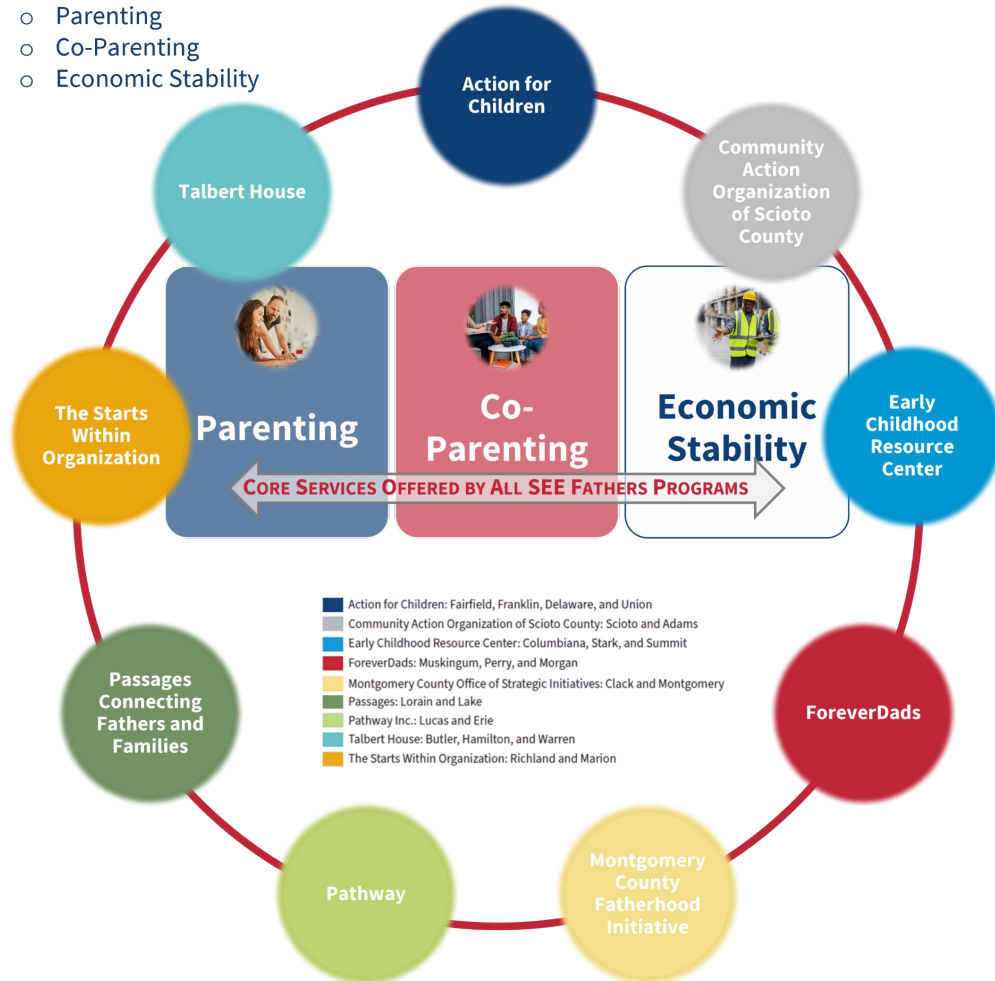


FIGURE 5:
**HOW DO THE
SEE FATHERS PROGRAMS
HELP FATHERS?**

A father seeks help from a SEE Fathers Program to overcome his barriers.

- All fathers receive individual case management.
- The case manager builds a relationship with the father.
- The case manager begins by asking the father about his well-being.
- The case manager uses the Fatherhood Well-Being Screening tool to guide the conversation.
- The tool includes questions about the father's physical and mental health.
- The tool also has questions about the father's substance use and support networks.
- The case manager and father outline his goals and create a plan to achieve the goals.



Additional Resources

- OCF's Fatherhood Well-Being Screening Tool webpage: <https://fatherhood.ohio.gov/resources-for-fathers/fatherhood-well-being-screening-tool/fatherhood-wellbeing-screening-tool>
- OCF's Website: www.fatherhood.ohio.gov
- Email questions to Joshua.Counciller@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov or at the Commission's email
- Subscribe to the eNewsletters: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/OHDCY/subscribers/qualify>