

# Ohio Foreclosure Prevention

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## Foreclosure Prevention



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a partnership between the  
Ohio Housing Finance Agency  
Ohio State University Extension

### Purpose

Ohio Housing Finance Agency partnered with Extension Family and Consumer Science educators to bring foreclosure prevention information to groups, particularly in rural counties. Fifty training sessions will inform groups who will spread by word of mouth, key contacts to make to receive assistance from HUD approved housing counselors at any stage of the foreclosure process. Extension is writing 20 foreclosure prevention blogs to appear throughout 2015 on their Live Smart Ohio website: [livesmartohio.osu.edu](http://livesmartohio.osu.edu)

### Impact

To prevent home foreclosure for Ohio families. Ohio ranks fifth in the nation for the most foreclosures. The top five states account for more than half of the national foreclosures.

To provide education that assists families facing foreclosure - Stigma attached to foreclosure merits informing key community leaders so word of mouth delivery of information is delivered to needing families.

Provide education to arm homeowners with information to make informed decisions regarding possible foreclosure and/or sheriff's sale - Connecting families with local HUD housing counselors is vital to prevent foreclosure.

### Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences

### Community Partners Involved

Ohio Housing Finance Agency  
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### Participating Counties/Areas

Belmont – Polly Loy  
Clermont – Margaret Jenkins  
Delaware – Cyndi Renn  
Fulton – Melissa Welker  
Greene – Melanie Hart  
Hancock – Shawn Ochs  
Henry – Nancy Stehulak  
Mahoning – Beth Stefura  
Montgomery – Pat Holmes  
Ottawa/Sandusky – Katie LaPlant  
Scioto – Treva Williams  
Trumbull – Marie Economos and  
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