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## County Executive announces Unite Us community information sessions

**SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO**—County Executive Ilene Shapiro and Unite Us are hosting several information sessions in May and June to educate community-based organizations about the Unite Ohio coordinated care network.

Earlier this year, County Executive Shapiro [announced](#) her office's partnership with Unite Us, the nation's leading software company enabling cross-sector collaboration to improve people's health and well-being. The data platform facilitates comprehensive care coordination and connects health care with social care. The County Executive's contract with Unite Us provides free access to an unlimited number of community-based organizations serving Summit County residents. From large non-profits to neighborhood food pantries, any service provider is invited to join the network. Critical stakeholders like United Way of Summit and Medina and the County's Department of Job and Family Services have already made a commitment to utilize Unite Us in their operations.

"I am thrilled to share the exciting progress we have made since we first partnered with Unite Us in February. This innovative technology platform will reduce barriers and increase coordination between providers, transforming how our most vulnerable residents access essential services. I encourage all our community-based organizations to attend an information session in the coming weeks to learn how this platform will benefit our entire community," said County Executive Shapiro.

The Executive Office's goal is to attract as many community-based organizations as possible to create a robust network that serves as a central point of contact where health and social service providers can securely access and refer people to needed services while monitoring progress and measuring outcomes. Organizations that choose to participate will receive comprehensive training and onboarding from the Unite Us team. The Executive's Office expects the first round of participants to begin using the platform later this summer.

Community-based organizations are invited to join the Executive's Office and Unite Us at several information sessions in May and June to learn more about the platform. Below are the registration links for the upcoming sessions:

### In-Person Sessions

[Monday, May 15 1:00-2:30 p.m.](#) @ Russell M Pry Building 1180 S. Main St. Akron

[Wednesday, June 7 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.](#) @ Russell M Pry Building 1180 S. Main St. Akron

**Virtual Sessions**

[Wednesday, May 24, 1:00-2:00 p.m.](#)

[Monday, June 12, 1:00-2:00 p.m.](#)

[Thursday, June 15, 9:00-10:00 a.m.](#)

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