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## Jail Capital Grant Overview - October 2021

### ***Coshocton County***

Coshocton County will receive capital funding in the amount of \$10.1 million to use toward the construction of a new jail. The current jail has been in operation for 49 years and is no longer able to serve the county's needs. The new jail will have a significantly increased capacity to address overcrowding and will provide programming space and an enhanced medical area. The design also incorporates updated technology that will allow families to have both video and in-person visits.

### ***Gallia County***

Gallia County will receive capital funding in the amount of \$5.5 million to use toward the on-going construction of a new jail. The current jail is 57 years old and is in the basement of the Gallia County Annex. The jail has a recommended capacity of 11 but exceeds this number on a regular basis. The new jail is designed to house 120 individuals and will provide increased recreation and programming space. The surplus beds will be made available to other counties.

### ***Harrison County***

Harrison County will receive capital funding in the amount of \$9.1 million for the construction of a new jail. This jail is one of the oldest in the state, having opened in 1925. While the county has maintained the jail over the years, the antiquated physical design has contributed to failing scores on the annual inspections conducted by ODRC's Bureau of Adult Detention. The new jail will provide much needed upgrades, improvements to security, an increase in capacity, and allow for better supervision inside the housing units. There will also be an improved medical area, along with additional classrooms and programming areas that will be used for mental health and substance use programming.

### ***Lawrence County***

Lawrence County will receive capital funding in the amount of \$16.8 million for the construction of a new jail. The current jail has been in service for 48 years and is no longer able to serve the county's needs. The recommended capacity of the current facility is 27, however the jail regularly exceeds that number. The new facility is designed to hold 200 individuals and will provide improvements to security and quality of life for the jail population and staff. The new jail will also provide increased classroom space and counseling areas.

### ***Scioto County***

Scioto County will receive capital funding in the amount of \$1.5 million for the creation of a new minimum-security jail for women. The project will convert an existing building into a female-only facility to address the growing need for female housing. This facility will be developed with an emphasis on behavioral and substance abuse programming in partnership with the local social service providers. They also plan to assist the population with the transition from incarceration to post-release. This project will also serve surrounding counties.

### ***Southeastern Ohio Regional Jail (Athens, Hocking, Perry, Meigs, Morgan)***

The Corrections Commission for the Southeastern Ohio Regional Jail will receive capital funding in the amount of \$1.9 million for an expansion of the existing facility. This expansion will convert a portion of the jail into additional housing and increase the overall capacity. The current capacity of the jail is 218, and this increase in capacity will improve service to the regional jail member counties. This new project will also upgrade the programming space in the jail and increase specialty housing for mental health purposes.

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