

# OUR FEDERATIONS HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



During the 2015 State of Ohio Combined Charitable Campaign, which runs from Sept. 2 through Oct. 16, state employees can choose from about 1,660 charities which address a wide variety of needs and are members of the federations listed below:

Website: [ohio.gov/ohioccc](http://ohio.gov/ohioccc)

## A Special Wish Foundation

A Special Wish makes a difference by enhancing the quality of life of a child who has been diagnosed with a life-threatening disorder by granting his/her "special" wish: a family trip to Disney World; a pot-bellied pig; a swim with the dolphins; or a human hair wig, for senior prom.



Since 1982, we have granted thousands of Ohio wishes, thanks in part to your participation in the Combined Charitable Campaign. Thank you!

## America's Charities



Cures. Opportunity. Love. Relief. Peace. Equality. Safety. Dreams. Life. These things happen when you donate to charities that address social concerns and interests like education, human rights, hunger, poverty, research, animals, veterans, disaster relief and health services. Since 1980, America's Charities has brought the nation's best-known and most-loved charities to giving campaigns in the workplace. All of our members have a proven record of responsibility and service provision, meeting the needs of communities and neighborhoods, nationwide.

## Animal Charities of America

Animal Charities of America's member agencies specialize in protecting pets, wildlife, and endangered species, teaching people to treat animals with respect, and training animals humanely as helpmates and companions to people in need. We hope you will support this coalition of the best national animal charities in the country.



## CancerCure of America



CancerCURE of America: Care, Understand, Research & End (CCURE) represents charitable organizations fighting cancer and caring for cancer victims. We hope you will support this coalition of world class cancer charities, leading the way with new treatment modalities, better patient care, and research to someday find the cure.

## Children's Charities of America

How we care for children, protect their welfare, and prepare them for the future are the most important issues we face during our lifetime. Children's Charities of America is a coalition comprised of many of America's finest charitable organizations. CCA is striving to give children all over the world a fighting chance at a brighter tomorrow and a more fulfilling future.



## Community Health Charities



Community Health Charities improves the lives of people affected by a disability or chronic disease by uniting caring donors in the workplace with the nation's most trusted health charities. Over the past five years, Community Health Charities has raised more than \$400 million to support the missions of the nearly 2,000 charities in our network. For more information about Community Health Charities, visit [healthcharities.org](http://healthcharities.org) or call 1-800-654-0845.

## Community Shares

The four Community Share federations tackle the causes of issues from poverty, housing, health and education. They each work locally to build communities, support the arts, end domestic violence, and promote justice and equality. Their nonprofit member organizations discover what is at the root of complex problems and make a difference at that level. Northwest Community Shares (representing 21 nonprofits in the Toledo area), Community Shares of Mid-Ohio (65 nonprofits in the Columbus area), and Community Shares of Greater Cincinnati (representing 25 nonprofits) also support animal rights organizations. Greater Cleveland Community Shares has 43 member organizations.



## EarthShare



A healthy environment is the foundation for all living things - our food, health, and recreation all depend on clean air and water and healthy ecosystems. Your gift to EarthShare is the easiest way to have the greatest impact as your donation can invest in clean, renewable energy, protect sensitive species, restore and nurture special natural areas, and support the passionate efforts of over 80 environmental charities dedicated to protecting the Earth that we share.

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## Global Impact

Founded in 1956, Global Impact represents more than 120 of the most respected and effective international relief and development organizations. Together, Global Impact charities meet real needs with real results by supporting programs focused on clean water, disaster relief and resiliency, economic development, education, environmental sustainability, global health and child survival, human trafficking, hunger, malaria, and women and girls. Since its inception, Global Impact has raised more than \$1.7 billion to help the world's most vulnerable people.



## Habitat for Humanity of Ohio



Habitat for Humanity of Ohio is a nonprofit, charitable, faith-based housing organization whose purpose is to assist Ohio's 55 Habitat for Humanity affiliates build homes for families on terms they can afford. This experience provides a "hand up, not a hand out" approach by providing interest-free mortgages to families that otherwise would not be able to purchase their own home. Our important work transforms lives by promoting positive change in communities throughout Ohio.

## Health & Medical Research Charities of America

Health & Medical Research Charities of America's member agencies specialize in restoring wellness through research, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of the diseases that plague our family, our friends, our loves ones -- ourselves.



## Independent Charities of America



Independent Charities of America (ICA) is an IRS-recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit association of America's best charities. Our purpose is to represent charities that meet the highest standards of public accountability and program effectiveness and to facilitate gifts to those charities from contributors in fund drives conducted at work and on the web.

## Local United Way Federation and Community Federations

Local United Ways and community federations advance the common good, creating opportunities for a better life for all, by focusing on three key building blocks; education, income and health. We lead community-driven initiatives in these areas by bringing together the people and the organizations who have the passion, expertise and resources needed to get things done. In doing so, we make people's lives better today and create long-lasting community change by addressing the underlying causes of problems. We invite you to join us. You can give, you can advocate, and you can volunteer.



## Neighbor to Nation



[www.neighbortonation.org](http://www.neighbortonation.org)

People in need serving people in need, in Ohio, throughout America and the world. Our focus areas are human services, medical research, and faith-based services. We serve millions of people annually by eliminating hunger, responding to natural disasters, finding cures for major illnesses, providing affordable services to pet owners, and much more. Browse our charity list to find a charity that fits your passion. You can be a part of something big!

## Partners for a Better World

*Thank you, Ohio!* Partners for a Better World is pleased to be a part of the State of Ohio Combined Charitable Campaign. Our charities are helping feed children, championing consumer interests, standing up for religious and social rights, protecting the environment, finding shelter for the homeless, and working to promote peace. These missions are not easy, but good people are working tirelessly together to make a positive difference in lives in your neighborhood and around the world. Our charities appreciate your help. Thank you for being our partner...we are together...Partners for a Better World.



## United Negro College Fund



The United Negro College Fund is on a mission to help more students get to and through college. UNCF accomplishes this goal by providing operating support to 37 historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs); by awarding 10,000 scholarships to deserving students and by advocating for the needs of minority scholars. UNCF encourages all people to invest in our work, because "A mind is a terrible thing to waste, but a wonderful thing to invest in."

## United Ways of Ohio

United Ways focus on advancing the common good of Ohioans by focusing on three building blocks for a good life:

**Education:** With special emphasis on early childhood education, United Ways help children and youth achieve their potential.

**Income:** Promoting financial stability and independence through skill training and education toward jobs. We provide access to basic needs like food and shelter.

**Health:** Improving people's health through nutrition education and access to health care.

