



# Rally to Demand Basic Needs!!

June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009 12 noon

Statehouse Lawn, downtown Columbus

## NOW IS THE TIME TO HAVE YOUR VOICES HEARD!

Basic services – Food, Child Care, Health Care, After School programs, Financial Aid Programs for College – are about to be cut from the State Budget. Ohio's most vulnerable populations have lost their jobs, their homes, and now they might loose even more!

### IT'S TIME TO TAKE A STAND AND DEMAND A FAIR BUDGET FROM OUR LEGISLATORS!

- Growing numbers of Ohioans are standing in line at a food pantry for the first time in their lives.
- Over the last year the demand for food at Ohio food pantries has increased 29%. Demand for basic services are at record levels.
- At the same time, 10% of food charities have had to close their doors. Many more are teetering on the edge, while others are rationing food to hungry families.
- Ohio will not survive if it allows hunger to grow at rates that limits a child's ability to learn and hinders an adults ability to earn.

**The Ohio Senate may REMOVE all the health and human services funding in the recently passed House Bill 1, the 2010/2011 State Budget Bill.**

#### What's at stake?

- Food programs for Ohioans
- Food programs for children and seniors
- Health care for uninsured adults
- Health care for Ohio's children
- Reduced financial aid and scholarship programs for college students
- Child care services for children
- After-school programs for school-aged children
- Kinship supportive services for children
- Care for uninsured adults and community health centers, including family planning, prenatal care and well-child care
- Services for abused and neglected children
- Home nurse visits for at-risk infants
- Services for people with mental illnesses
- Community services for senior citizens
- Waiver slots for persons with developmental disabilities

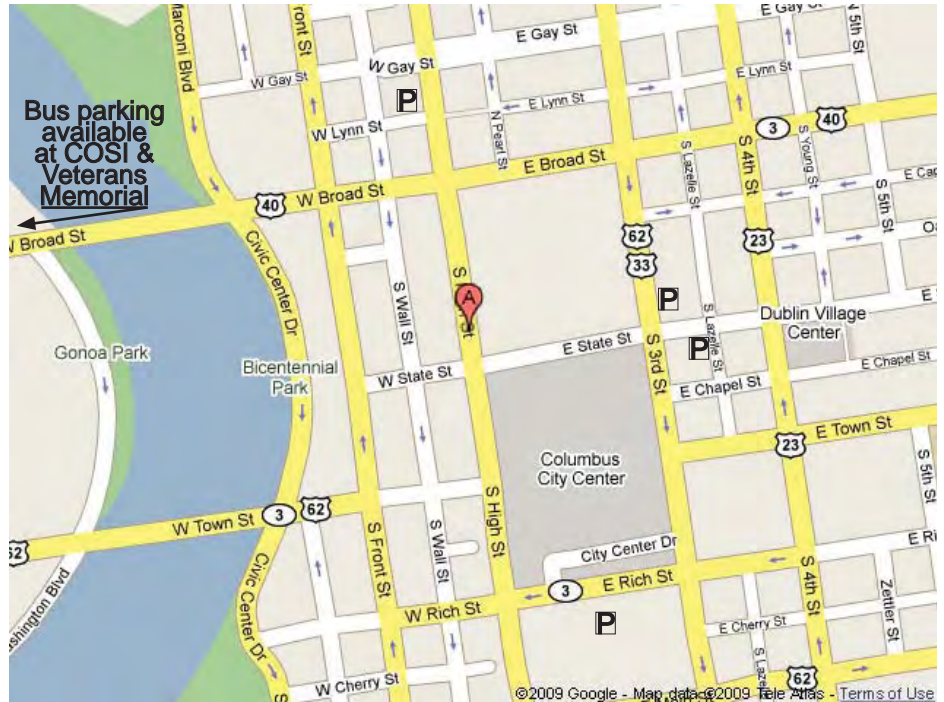
**You support increasing revenues to protect health and human services from further cuts as well as restoring critical funding to these programs. Ohioans are counting on Legislators to lead us through this crisis by making smart choices and putting revenue ideas on the table during these budget debates to lay the groundwork for a better economic future.**

For more, contact: <http://www.protectohio.org/> or <http://www.oashf.org>. The Campaign to Protect Ohio's Future is a coalition of health, human services, education organizations seeking to protect Ohio's most vulnerable citizens by restoring or adequately funding vital services through a responsible budget that has as its primary priority to meet basic human needs and provide sufficient funds to invest in Ohio's future.

# Driving Directions to the Ohio Statehouse Columbus

## The Campaign to Save Ohio's Future & the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks Lobby Day Thursday June 4, 2009 11:00 am

Parking is available downtown at various locations. If you are in by 9:00 am most lots are between \$5 and \$7 for the day. Parking options are marked as "P."



P = Parking Options

### From the North

Take I-71 south to the I-670 Convention Center exit.  
Stay in the left lane on I-670.  
Exit at Third Street (one-way south).  
Begin to merge right after crossing Long Street.  
Stay right and cross Broad Street.  
Capitol Square is on the right side of Third Street in the first block past Broad Street.

### From the South

Take I-71 (merges with I-70 east).  
Exit at Fourth Street.  
Turn right (north, one-way) onto Fourth Street and stay in the left lane.  
Turn left (west) onto State Street.  
Capitol Square is on the right side of the street after you cross Third Street.

### From the East

Take I-70 west  
Exit at Fourth Street.  
Take I-670 west to Third Street (one way south)  
Begin to merge right after crossing Long Street.  
Follow Third Street across Broad Street and stay right.  
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### From the West

Take I-70 east to I-670 east.  
Exit onto Third Street (one way south)  
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Follow Third Street across Broad Street and stay right.  
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***If you have any problems with these directions, please do not hesitate to call at any time. 614.221.4336.***