

RESOLUTION

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH OHIO CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND - JOB & FAMILY SERVICES

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Whereas: Under ORC 3109.17, eight child abuse and child neglect prevention regions are created in the state. Each of these regions shall have a child abuse and child neglect regional prevention council for the purpose of administering child abuse and child neglect prevention programming and services approved by the children’s trust fund board. Licking County falls within the Central Region; and,

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Whereas: Melanie Fling, one of the two Licking County Representatives is completing her first term on the regional council on April 22, 2026; and,

Whereas: Licking County Children and Families First Council consists of member organizations with programs that serve Licking County children and programs that seek to prevent child abuse and child neglect in Licking County; and,

Whereas: By vote of the Licking County Children and Families First Council, Melanie Fling, Multi-Systems Services Supervisor for Licking County Children and Families First Council is recommended for a second term as a Licking County representative to the Children’s Trust Fund Central Regional Council for the term April 23, 2026, to April 22, 2028; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners, County of Licking, State of Ohio:

That we do hereby enter into an agreement between Job & Family Services and Ohio Children's Trust Fund for Nominating Licking County Representative to Ohio Children's Trust Fund Regional Council. Said agreement is effective April 23, 2026 through April 22, 2028, at an amount not to exceed \$0.00.

**LICKING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CERTIFICATION PAGE**

Resolution No. 26-0370-JFS

April 23, 2026

Nomination for Ohio Children's Trust Fund Regional Board

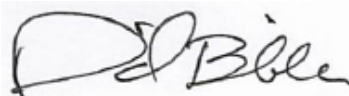
Upon the motion of Rick Black, seconded by Duane H. Flowers.

VOTE:

Rick Black	Aye
Timothy E. Bubb	Aye
Duane H. Flowers	Aye

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Licking County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



David Bibler, Clerk of the Board
Board of County Commissioners
Licking County, Ohio

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 (614) 562-9862
 Johnstown, Ohio
 mlnafrrl@yahoo.com

PROFILE

Professional employee with expertise in child welfare (public & private). Extensive knowledge of community services/systems related to youth and families in Licking County. Strong communication and interpersonal skills as well as excellent oral and written communication skills.

EDUCATION

Master Of Arts

Dayton University,
Dayton, Ohio

- Major: Clinical Psychology

Bachelor Of Arts

Otterbein University,
Westerville, Ohio

- Major: Psychology
- Minor: Business

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES

Licking County Human Rights
Committee member

Fostering Further Board member,
current Secretary

Starting Strong & Foster Support
Committee member

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Boy Scouts of America Troop 25
Committee member and Merit
Badge Counselor

Harlem Road Church Family Ministry
Team member

Girl Scouts Troop 7610 volunteer

Johnstown School District volunteer

Melanie Fling

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Multi-Systems Services Supervisor

Licking County Job & Family Services

March 2020 – Present

- Plans, develops, coordinates, and implements cross-system collaborative services for children and families in Licking County.
- Supervises and oversees wraparound facilitators. Interviews and recommends wraparound facilitators for employment.
- Facilitates effective service coordination for families throughout the county by engaging and providing consultation to service delivery teams in the wraparound process.

Independent Living Specialist

Licking County Job & Family Services

May 2019 – March 2020

- Provided case management and monitoring to prepare youth for emancipation and self-sufficiency.
- Completed independent living assessments and developed transition plans for youth emancipating from the foster care system.
- Collaborated with community providers to put supports in place for youth.

Foster Care Coordinator

Licking County Job & Family Services

2005 – May 2019

- Provided foster care case management, recruitment, monitoring, and counseling services to foster care providers.
- Conducted in-depth assessments / interviews with foster care providers.
- Thoroughly and accurately completed foster / adoption home-studies.
- Provided pre-placement guidance, and training to foster care providers.
- Developed and implemented recruitment strategies expanding the foster care program.

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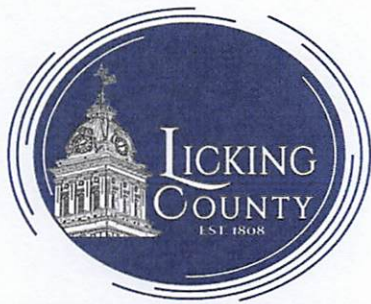
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TIMOTHY E. BUBB • DUANE H. FLOWERS • RICK BLACK

April 23, 2026

TO: The Ohio Children's Trust Fund
P.O. Box 183204
Columbus, Ohio 43218-3204

FROM: Licking County Commissioners
20 South 2nd Street, 4th Floor
Newark, OH 43055

RE: Child Abuse and Child Neglect Regional Prevention Council Appointments

This letter serves as notification to the Ohio Children's Trust Fund (OCTF) that the Licking County Board of County Commissioners is appointing the following county prevention specialist(s) to our child abuse and child neglect regional prevention council pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) section 3109.172:

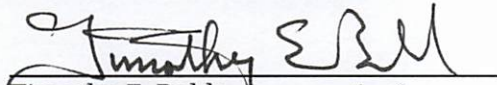
Full name: Melanie Fling
Position: Multi-Systems Services Supervisor
Business Address: Licking County Job & Family Services, 74 S. 2nd St.
City: Newark
State: OH
Zip code: 43058-5030
Phone number: 740-670-8916
Email address: Melanie.fling@jfs.ohio.gov
Resume/curriculum vitae/short biography enclosed

On behalf of the Licking County Board of County Commissioners, I respectfully request that you send us written confirmation of our appointment(s).


Please feel free to contact our office with any questions.

Sincerely,


Licking County Commissioners



Timothy E. Bubb



Duane H. Flowers



Rick Black