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CFAES Community,

Governor DeWine gave his State of the State address to the Ohio General Assembly on Tuesday. On Wednesday, the Governor released his funding recommendations for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. The recommendations proposed a 3% increase for Agricultural Research, Extension, and Stone Lab in both fiscal years. The Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate will begin hearings on the budget next week. The Ohio Constitution requires the Ohio General Assembly to pass, and the Governor to sign a balanced budget by July 1st.

We're excited to welcome several new faculty members to CFAES. We hope you'll take a few minutes to get to know them and welcome them to our CFAES community: <https://cfaesfacultyandstaff.osu.edu/news/get-know-our-new-cfaes-faculty-2>.

Applications for the CFAES Family Scholarship - open to spouses and dependent children of CFAES faculty and staff – **are due February 15, 2023**. Applications can be submitted via [the CFAES online scholarship application](#) regardless of if the applicant is/will be a CFAES student or not. Please review the [detailed criteria and application instructions](#) carefully. If you have questions about the scholarship process, please reach out to Michelle Anderson, Program Manager for Faculty and Staff Affairs, at anderson.3484@osu.edu.

Within our college, we have a commitment to our [Principles of Community](#) and more broadly, Buckeyes are responsible for advancing a culture of respect and promoting a safe and healthy campus. To advance this priority, the university annually requires all students and employees to complete the **Report = Support** online sexual misconduct prevention education each academic year. The deadline to complete this training this year is April 28. [Read more.](#)

Along with the CFAES Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, I invite you to join us for a community-wide activity, "CFAES Exploring Diversity" on April 8, 2023, from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. We will explore the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, a preeminent cultural learning center for inclusive freedom, and after lunch, we will drive north to Jungle Jim's International Market, where over 200,000 square feet of shopping and products from over 70 countries await. Transportation will start with a pick-up in Wooster and Columbus before heading to Cincinnati. [Learn more and register.](#)

The Knowledge Exchange recently launched a new report builder, the [Knowledge Explorer](#), to make it easier to communicate data to stakeholders, clients, and decision-makers. The tool helps users build custom reports with publicly available Ohio data from the U.S. Census Bureau and the National Agricultural Statistics Service found in KX tools like their Ohio Food System Map, Community Profiles, and eFields Reports. Reports can be exported to a branded PDF. Step-by-step instructions and video tutorials are available on the KX website.

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