## **BOOTS ON THE GROUND**

## A Legislative Update from the Office of State Rep. Erika White



Dear Neighbor,

Happy fall, Ohio! As we enter this new season, I hope you and your family stay safe, healthy, and warm.

Fighting for Fair Maps and Real Representation is the focus for the next few months. With redistricting now underway, House Democrats remain committed to securing fair, bipartisan maps that reflect the voices of all Ohioans. Every voter deserves to have their voice heard and their community represented—because voters should pick their politicians, not the other way around.

For too long, Ohio has been burdened with some of the most gerrymandered districts in the country. The result has been single-party control, out-of-touch leadership, and federal policies that put everyday Ohioans at risk—impacting access to Medicaid, housing, and food assistance.

This fight is about restoring *trust, accountability, and balance* in our democracy. Fair maps mean fair representation—and that's what Ohioans deserve. The best way to serve Ohioans and move us forward is by creating fair districts that reflect the preferences of Ohio's voters.

The deadline to register to vote was Tuesday, October 6th for the November 4th election. I encourage you to check your registration by visiting voteohio.gov. Make your voice heard and keep our democracy strong!

I am proud to be your state representative. Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions, comments or concerns.

In Unity, Erika White

## WORKING FOR YOU

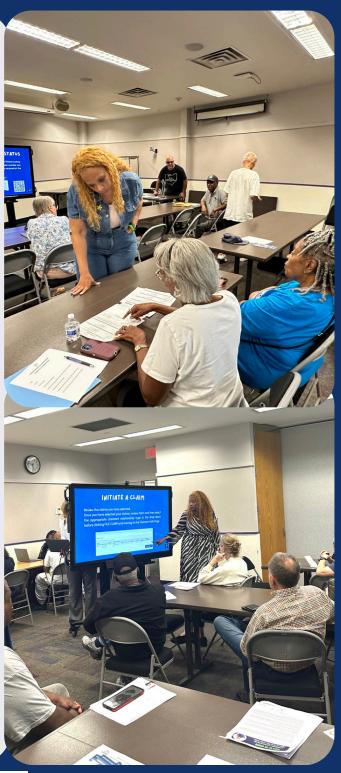
#### At Home:

This month, I wrapped up my second and final Unclaimed Funds Summer Session. As your State Representative, I value every chance to meet with people in our community and talk about issues that matter most and find ways to make our state work for you.

If you believe you may have unclaimed funds you can go to <u>unclaimedfunds.ohio.gov.</u>

The state has custodial responsibility for your money, it should not have the benefits. If you have any difficulty navigating this process, contact my office for assistance at 614-466-1731.

Ohio's Budget Change to Unclaimed Funds (House Bill 33): if your unclaimed funds not claimed within 10 years, the state will take permanent ownership of that money.





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#### **At Home:**

### **Toledo on Track**

I was honored to speak at **Toledo on Track** with the **Ability Center** about **expanding** high-speed, accessible rail that **connects** communities, **creating** jobs & **boosting** our local economy,



#### **SCOTT Center Sickle Cell 5K**

I honored those who have lost their fight with Sickle Cell and recognized those still fighting at the SCOTT center's 5K.



# State Rep. Erika White Announces Ranking Member Appointment for House Public Insurance and Pensions Committee

This month I was appointed to the House Public Insurance and Pensions Committee. I am both honored and privileged to serve at the ranking member of this important committee. My 30+ years as a worker, as well as the opportunity to represent my peers, and engage in labor negotiations will be invaluable in this role. While working, I served as a CWA/AT&T State Benefit Representative; and have contributed to addressing the needs and concerns of my community through the labor movement. My firsthand experience keeps my feet to the fire and focused on the needs and priorities of Ohioans. As ranking member, I am committed to collaborating with colleagues within my caucus and across the aisle to address the issues that matter most to our constituents; ensuring that the voices of Ohioans are not only heard but genuinely valued. I look forward to working together to enhance protections for workers, strengthen retirement security, and ensure that Ohioans can trust in the benefits they have rightfully earned. Focusing on common goals, we can create a stronger workforce and uplift communities throughout Ohio.

The House Public Insurance and Pensions Committee will be focused on the work of addressing the solvency of the state Unemployment Fund, the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, and other elements of state pensions.

The committee is also responsible for reviewing legislation related to retirement systems, pension security, and public employee benefits — critical issues impacting Ohio workers, retirees, and families.

Rep. White is firmly committed that every Ohioan—regardless of race, gender, political affiliation, sexual orientation, or economic status—has access to safe communities and stable employment. She passionately advocates for the value of hard work, believing that to truly prosper, workers must retain what they have earned. Additionally, she asserts that for Ohio to thrive, the opportunities available must match the dedication and effort of its workforce.

District 41

# Calendar

Holland Maumee Springfield Township Toledo

October 2025

#### Landlord-Tenant Education Fair

October 23rd

10a - 1p

Toledo-Lucas Co. Main Library

325 N. Michigan St. Toledo, OH 43604

Register Now: This is a free event, click here to register







#### PUMPKIN PALOOZA



October 18th 2:00 - 5:00 pm Ottawa Park Ottawa Pkwy. Toledo

