



# Clinton County Health District

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### **Applications Now Open for Charles F. Fischer Fund at Clinton County Health District**

Charlie Fischer was a well-known community pianist who accompanied silent movies at the Murphy Theatre from its opening until the introduction of sound in films. He left the Clinton County community a trust that still after 46 years benefits children with medical needs. The Charles F. Fischer for Crippled Children Trust honors his legacy and dividends from the trust supports these efforts.

May is Charles "Charlie" Fischer's birth month and in recognition of his birthday the Clinton County Health District would like to remind residents of this program which he established. Each year the Clinton County Health District accepts applications from families and/or local agencies for children who have medical needs. This program is used as a last means for families who may not have other options to purchase therapies and/or pay for medical services. Applications are reviewed quarterly by the Charles F. Fischer committee.

Applications received before May 11<sup>th</sup> will be reviewed at the upcoming May meeting. This year, meetings will also be held in August and November with application deadlines being August 17 and November 9, 2026. Applications received after deadline dates will be reviewed at the following quarterly meeting. Health Commissioner Monica Wood stated, "This committee of dedicated individuals represent many disciplines and agencies that work together to honor the intent of Charlie Fischer by working to close the gaps in medical care and ensure every Clinton County child has access to the health services they need to thrive."

Applications can be found on the Clinton County Health District website or can be picked up at the Health District between 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM Monday thru Friday. Applications must be complete with requested documentation to be processed. Applications and documentation can be hand-delivered or mailed to the Clinton County Health District, 111 South Nelson Ave Suite #1, Wilmington, Ohio 45177.

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