



Who we are

Ohio CASH stands for Creating Assets, Savings and Hope, and is a project of Policy Matters Ohio. With partners, we do research and outreach to protect consumers, increase income, and help people build savings and assets. Our goal is to improve the financial and economic conditions for low- and moderate-income families and communities. Only by helping families build, save and protect their income can we end the cycle of poverty.

Social service organizations, housing counseling groups, faith-based organizations, free tax preparation coalitions, financial institutions, and others are members of the Ohio CASH coalition.

What we do

Ohio CASH provides capacity building and training, financial education, and research on a host of issues. The resources we offer include:

- The Ohio EITC Commission, a best practices and learning group that promotes free tax preparation and the Earned Income Tax Credit for low and moderate-income families;
 - Ohio Saves, a movement to increase options, information, and methods for families to save and develop both short- and long-term assets. This part of the program includes savings accounts, individual development accounts (IDAs), savings bonds, and child savings accounts;
 - A “Financial Stability Toolkit,” available to assist practitioners in their work with clients of high-cost financial industries;
 - An umbrella for advocacy relating to public policy issues affecting asset building and consumer protection, including payday lending, tax loans, and rent-to-own stores.
- Ohio CASH is a clearinghouse for research that helps evaluate and understand these issues.

Contact us

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