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### Remembering Justice Ginsburg and Congressman Lewis

Serving in her official capacity as Representative of Ohio's Third Congressional District, Congresswoman Joyce Beatty participated in the Lying in State ceremonies for former Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and former Congressman John Lewis. Like Ginsburg and Lewis, Beatty is an outspoken defender of civil rights and gender equality.



### Dedicating New Civil Rights Wall Mural

Congresswoman Joyce Beatty joined local artists Marcus Billingsley, AdaObinnia Ijomah and Lance Johnson to unveil "HeART of Protest" at the King Arts Complex on November 7, 2020. The wall mural pays tribute to local and national Black leaders who dedicated their lives to or even lost their lives in the ongoing struggle for civil rights like Aminah Robinson, Mayme Moore, John Lewis, and Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. During the ceremony, Beatty said, "Standing on the shoulders of these brave Americans, I continue to work to guarantee equal justice, ensure transparency and accountability from law enforcement, and create safer, stronger neighborhoods for all Americans."



# THE BEATTY



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*Congresswoman Joyce Beatty, U.S. House of Representatives, Third Congressional District of Ohio*

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## From Agony to Action: the Time is Now

Our nation is facing three pandemics: Coronavirus (COVID-19), economic turmoil, and social injustice; and the only way we'll solve these pressing issues is by listening more and screaming a lot less because we are all Americans first and foremost.

Let's pass another COVID-19 relief package so that no American is forced to go hungry or lose their job—let alone their home. Finding a compromise is vital for consumers, seniors, veterans, students, teachers, schools, and entrepreneurs too.

Economically, let's close the wealth gap, raise the minimum wage, lay the foundation to build a brighter future for everyone, and improve access to affordable healthcare, housing, education, and jobs.

Finally, let's find a path forward to stomp out systemic racism and ensure justice for the senseless killings of too many Black Americans. As Chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee, I am also pushing a bill to overturn the Trump Administration's harmful executive order terminating diversity and inclusion training and calling on the incoming Biden Administration to immediately rescind it. Further, I am working hard to pass comprehensive law enforcement reform legislation, and demanding that racism be declared a 'national crisis.'

The road ahead won't be without its challenges, but I'm confident we can defeat COVID-19, give anyone willing to work hard a fair chance at the American Dream, and begin to live up to the ideals of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for all—not just the select few.

*Congresswoman Beatty addresses the nation during the 'Commitment March: Get Your Knee Off Our Necks' from the Lincoln Memorial.*



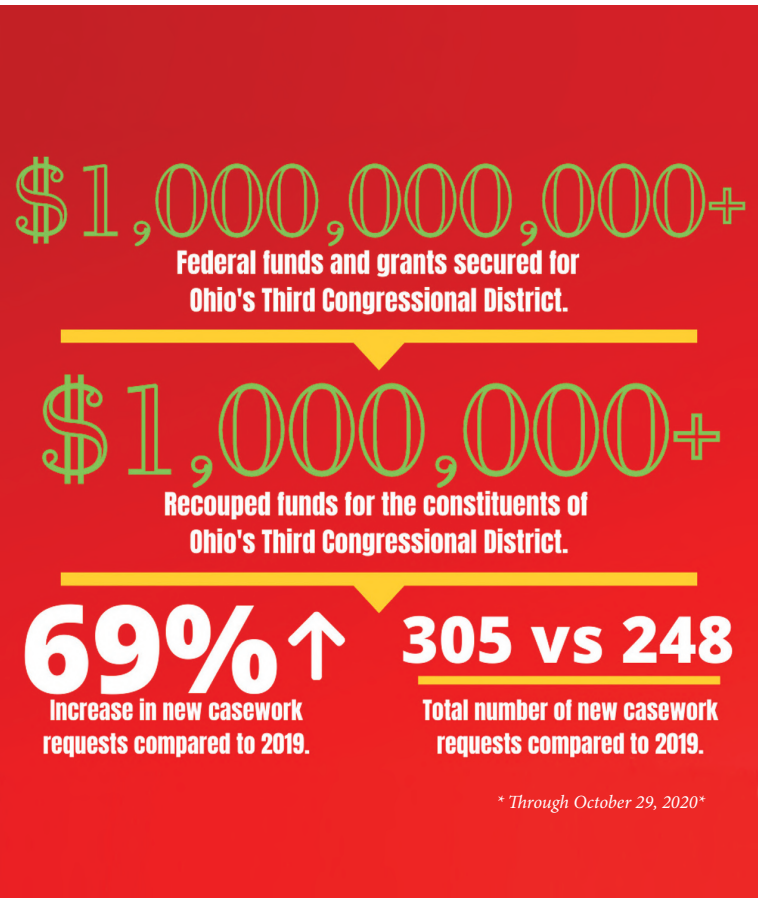
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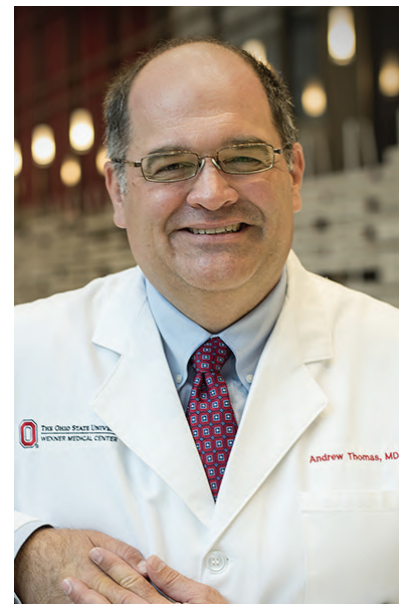


# One Million Back to Constituents, One Billion in Investment

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, U.S. Congresswoman Joyce Beatty's (OH-03) district staff has seen a sharp rise in the number of people and families seeking assistance. Comparing 2020 to 2019\*, the Office has experienced a 69 percent increase in new requests, completed 305 cases (248 in all of 2019), and recouped \$1,026,625 owed to constituents. Additionally, as a result of Beatty's support on a number of bills, Ohio's Third Congressional District has received over \$1 billion in federal funding and grants in 2020, including \$487 million in COVID-19 relief, \$18 million to The Ohio State University's Center for Emergent Materials for medical and scientific technology and research, \$12.98 million for the Child Development Council of Franklin County to fund Head Start and Early Head Start programs, and \$4.9 million to National Church Residences to create affordable housing for seniors.



# Combating COVID-19 in Central Ohio



“Ohioans have gotten this virus under control in the past and we can do it again. It is critical that we follow the same precautions in our personal life with friends and family that we follow at work or at school: wear a mask, keep six feet from others who don't live in your household, clean your hands routinely when you're out in public, and avoid large gatherings. These are the steps that will get this pandemic back under control!”

- Dr. Andrew Thomas, Chief Clinical Officer, The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center



Ohio's Third Congressional District was among the first locations in the country to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. The initial batch of doses arrived at OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital on December 15, 2020. Eight hospitals in Ohio received the vaccine. Pictured on the right, OhioHealth President of Riverside Methodist Hospital Robert Cercek, Dr. Joseph Gastaldo, Dr. Thomas Harmon, OhioHealth Foundation President Karen Morrison, and Ohio Lieutenant Governor Jon Husted hail the delivery of the COVID-19 vaccine and its life changing impact.

# Safeguarding Your Vote and Mail Delivery

Congresswoman Joyce Beatty is focused on safeguarding the constitutional right to vote and our mail service. To that effect, she held an August 28th press conference in front of the Oakland Park Post Office to call out the Trump Administration's reforms impacting postal delivery and operations. In addition, Beatty teamed up with the entire Ohio Democratic Congressional Delegation to urge Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose to: (1) protect the health and safety of Ohio voters and poll workers; (2) locate additional ballot drop boxes across all of Ohio's 88 counties; (3) comply with a court ruling ordering him to allow multiple ballot drop boxes; and (4) use his existing authority to prepay postage for absentee ballots and ballot applications.

Of note, Beatty helped pass The Heroes Act twice out of the U.S. House of Representatives. The comprehensive COVID-19 relief package includes, among many other important funding priorities, \$25 billion for the United States Postal Service to make up for lost revenue and to purchase personal protective equipment. Moreover, she introduced the Congressman John R. Lewis Election Day Act of 2020, H.R. 7820, to make the 2020 Election a national holiday in honor of Civil Rights icon Congressman John Lewis (GA-05)



# Protecting Healthcare and Protections for Pre-Existing Conditions

On November 10th, the United States Supreme Court heard oral arguments in a case that will determine the future of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) (P.L. 111-148), protections for pre-existing conditions, and healthcare coverage for newly insured and at-risk Americans. In Congress, Beatty has consistently voted to expand and strengthen the ACA and against every attempt to repeal the landmark law. Most recently, she joined a majority of her congressional colleagues to pass an amendment, added to appropriations legislation (H.R. 7617), to prevent the U.S. Department of Justice from spending any federal funds on lawsuits seeking to strike down the ACA.