

VOTE FOR ISSUE 25  
ON OR BEFORE NOV. 8TH

**NOT A NEW TAX**

# RENEW ISSUE 25

MAKE A DIFFERENCE WITH YOUR VOTE

## 5 FACTS ABOUT ISSUE 25

- 1 Issue 25 is not a new tax.** It is a **renewal of Summit County's only developmental disabilities levy.** (Previously known as the Mental Retardation Services Levy.)
- 2 Issue 25 is a 4.5 mill levy for a six-year period** of time (2013-2018), costing \$11.50 a month on a \$100K home.
- 3 Issue 25 funds the Summit DD which provides services to more than 4,000 eligible individuals** with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities. Services such as:
  - Early intervention programs for infants & toddlers
  - Transition services for students with developmental disabilities
  - Employment, habilitation & retirement programs for adults
- 4 The Summit DD has delivered or exceeded all promises from the last levy period** including eliminating the waiting lists for day programs and residential services.
- 5 Summit DD's use of taxpayer dollars was identified as a key strength** by the Ohio Partnership for Excellence.

Paid for by the Friends of Summit DD,  
Tom Whitfield, Treasurer,  
89 E. Howe Rd., Tallmadge, OH 44278.

## MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR JUDE

Jude's family from West Akron was told that Jude was a healthy baby but soon after adopting him they noticed that he was missing one developmental milestone after another.

Jude's parents received a referral to obtain Early Intervention (EI) services from the Summit DD after Jude's diagnosis of Torticollis/Severe Plagiocephaly. Getting EI services from the Summit DD has made all the difference for Jude. Through discussions with Jude's mother, Summit DD EI Specialists discovered that Jude had additional delays with his sight, sensory processing disorder, and a visual impairment. Jude's mother Sarah says that, "Early Intervention changed Jude's entire world and he got the services that he needs to break through many developmental milestones."



*Vance, Sarah and Jude  
Sanford from West Akron*



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