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Ohio Community Service Council
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**Sande Johnson Appointed to Serve as Council Member
for the Ohio Community Service Council**

Columbus, OH: Governor Ted Strickland appointed Sande Johnson, from Findlay, Ohio to serve as a three-year term on the Board of the Ohio Community Service Council (OCSC), representing community-based organizations.

“Sande brings a wealth of skills, attributes and proven leadership in service and volunteerism to her new seat on the Council,” said William Hall, OCSC Executive Director.

Johnson has many years of experience in working with community-based organizations, establishing meaningful volunteer opportunities and recruiting volunteers. “I am so excited about my appointment to the Ohio Community Service Council,” Johnson said. “I believe that in today’s economy, it’s more important than ever for people to step up and volunteer. This additional responsibility will give me an opportunity to help more people on a state-wide level.”

Johnson currently serves as the Ohio District Kiwanis Aktion Club Administrator for over 27 Clubs in Ohio. Aktion Clubs are full-member Kiwanis Clubs for developmentally disabled adults. “It’s so exciting to work with our Aktion Clubs. Never have I seen such enthusiasm for serving the community despite personal challenges. We all have an obligation to give back - we need each other,” Johnson said.

Among the many accolades Johnson has received, she is most proud of the Douglas Everett Award for Ohio Kiwanis Distinguished Service (2009), and the David B. Gillespie Award for Service Leadership Programs (2008). “Volunteerism not only helps strengthen our part of

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the world. It also provides opportunities for individual growth – and in Kiwanis we have a lot of fun providing community service,” Johnson added.

As a graduate of Findlay High School, Johnson went on to obtain a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from the University of Toledo. Johnson also serves as a board member for the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation, Service Leadership Chair and Club Secretary of the Kiwanis Club of Findlay, board member of the Fostoria Area Visitors Bureau, and board member of the Fostoria Rail Preservation Society.

Johnson currently works as an account representative for Findlay Internet and Allegra Print and Imaging - divisions of the Findlay Publishing Company. In her current position, Johnson represents a wide array of products including Web site design, screen printing, embroidery and specialty advertising products. Prior to this position, Johnson worked as the Advertising Coordinator for at Roscoe Village (Coshocton) and was responsible for coordinating print and electronic advertising and promotions.

About the Ohio Community Service Council

The Ohio Community Service Council is a state agency whose mission is to strengthen Ohio's communities through service and volunteerism. The Council was established by state statute in 1994 to administer grants under the federal AmeriCorps program and to promote volunteerism throughout the state. OCSC's programmatic focus areas include: AmeriCorps, Ohio Citizen Corps, and Make A Difference Day Ohio. Council membership consists of 13 appointees by the Governor and 8 state agency/legislative representatives.

Additional Information: **Ohio Community Service Council's Web site:** www.serveohio.org

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