



Mental Health and Recovery Services Board

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STATEMENT ON ISSUE 1

Neighborhood Safety, Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation Amendment

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Ohio Issue 1 is on the ballot as an initiated constitutional amendment on November 6, 2018. The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties took an official stance on Issue 1. The statement is below:

The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties firmly believes that non-violent individuals with a substance use disorder are better served through treatment instead of incarceration. This is particularly true for marginalized populations who are overrepresented in Ohio's prisons and often go unserved. We oppose this constitutional amendment because it does not address the problem as intended. We implore the Ohio General Assembly to immediately bring together a bi-partisan coalition of concerned Ohioans to take action to address these issues through a legislative solution.

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