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Letters: Cuyahoga County needs health and human services levy

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After Super Tuesday's primaries, it is apparent that Ohio will be a major player in determining the presidential nominees. As we move closer to Election Day, we undoubtedly will be inundated with commercials urging our vote for one candidate or another. We should not lose sight, however, of a crucial local issue on the ballot in March.

The passage of Issue 15, Cuyahoga County's health and human services levy, is critical to our community. Issue 15 funds services that hundreds of thousands of residents use annually. These include emergency services at MetroHealth Medical Center, counseling for abused children, early childhood development programming and support services that help seniors remain in their homes.

With the decline of support from the federal and state governments, we are forced either to cut these vital services or pay for them with local dollars. As the president and chief executive of one of our community's largest human services providers, the Center for Families and Children, I am thankful that our community has chosen the latter and remained committed to caring for our neighbors.

To continue this commitment, I urge you to vote "yes" on Issue 15 on March 4.

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