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## **Central State University Extension and Partners Offer Free Record Expungement Clinic**

**WILBERFORCE, OH** –Having a criminal record can lead to a variety of lifetime challenges such as limited employment opportunities, travel limitations, loss of the right to vote, difficulty obtaining loans, denial of admission in a college or university, decreased housing opportunities, and restrictions on owning firearms, just to name a few.

The good news is that Central State University Extension (CSUE) Community and Economic Development offers educational workshops to help with record expungement, and will co-host with Miami Community Action Partnership, Ohio Justice and Policy Center, Justice Bus, Omega Baptist Church, RTA, Montgomery County Office of Reentry, Law Office of Public Defender Office-Montgomery County and the USDA **on a free Record Expungement Clinic from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 1, at Omega Baptist Church, 1821 Emerson Ave., Dayton.**

By appointment, qualified participants will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one through virtual communication channels to address past criminal charges, such as selected misdemeanors and felony charges. Due to COVID-19, extra precautionary measures will be taken at the site of Omega Baptist Church to ensure a safe environment.

"This record sealing clinic demonstrates how the legal society, HBCU's, community and resource partners, and faith leaders can come together for a worthy effort to address barriers to personal and professional advancement, as well as possible second chance opportunities," said Anthony Barwick, Program Leader for Community and Economic Development - Central State University Extension.

Michael Zuckerman, Attorney with Ohio Justice & Policy Center, in cooperation with Montgomery County's Law Office of the Public Defender, Justice Bus, and other legal attorneys are managing the record sealing processes and research.

At this clinic, participants will speak with an attorney for free for the following to:

- Find out if their Ohio criminal records are eligible for sealing
- Get help filling out paperwork
- Learn how and where to submit forms
- Receive help remotely over phone and via email
- Learn the difference between record sealing and record expungement

The deadline to register is July 24th, at: [tinyurl.com/daytonclinic](https://tinyurl.com/daytonclinic). For more information, please email Anthony Barwick at [abarwick@centralstate.edu](mailto:abarwick@centralstate.edu).

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