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COLUMBUS - Today the ACLU of Ohio, Americans for Prosperity-Ohio, Juvenile Justice Coalition, the Ohio Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Ohio Organizing Collaborative, Ohio Student Association, and Policy Matters Ohio sent a letter to Governor DeWine, ODRC Director Chambers-Smith, and DYS Director Gies with three sets of questions about the COVID-19 crisis and Ohios incarcerated population.

The advocacy groups ask for public, daily report-outs on the following sets of questions:

Many Ohioans are understandably extremely worried about loved ones who are incarcerated. They are desperately seeking as much information as possible. It is time for Ohios leaders to be proactive in publicly disseminating information on an ongoing, daily basis. In times of crisis, transparency and sharing of knowledge is key. Ohioans expect no less, added Gary Daniels, Chief Lobbyist for the ACLU of Ohio.

The full letter is available.

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