## **Legislation Talking Points**

- St. Paul's Community Center (SPCC) has been operating the Winter Crisis program for 10 years with the support of Lucas County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board (LCMHRSB) and United Way to keep people safe during the coldest months of the year.
- SPCC, with the collaboration of LCMHRSB, United Way, the Lucas County Commissioners, the Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board (TLCHB) and the City of Toledo, with these additional funds, will be able to expand delivery of their Winter Crisis Program.
- Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, an innovative approach was put in place:
  - Secure "shelter beds" in a hotel setting
  - Expand capacity in a safe way at SPCC's location 230 13<sup>th</sup> Street to host the Winter Crisis Program
  - Provide wrap around services for program participants to reduce recidivism.
- With the support of these dollars in this piece of legislation, as well as additional support from CDBG-CV dollars, for a total investment amount of \$50,000, the following will be provided:
  - Four (4) additional Winter Crisis beds will be open until 3/31/2021
  - SPCC's facility at 230 13<sup>th</sup> will be better equipped and "COVID safe" to house 20 additional individuals
  - Will make possible for 10-15 individuals to obtain permanent housing through Rapid Re-housing.