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Dear Authorized Bingo Organization,

With the 2023 Bingo Application year quickly approaching, the following are a few reminders regarding the bingo application filing process:

Beginning November 1, 2022 bingo applications must be completed on our online application system at <https://CharitablePortal.OhioAGO.gov>.

- Bingo Licenses will not be issued to organizations that:
 - have not submitted a **complete** application;
 - are “cancelled” or “held” with the Ohio Secretary of State (<https://businesssearch.sos.state.oh.us>);
 - are not in compliance with the Ohio Attorney General’s registration requirements (<https://Charitable.OhioAGO.gov/Charity-Registration>);
 - lost 501(c) tax exempt status with the IRS (<https://apps.irs.gov/app/eos>); or
 - are a veteran’s organizations not in good standing with their state/national organization.
- Applicants can start applying on November 1, 2022. To be considered timely, applications and payments must be submitted online no later than December 31, 2022.
- Applications will be reviewed in the order they are received.

Temporary Permits may be issued to organizations that were issued a license in 2022 and that file a renewal application on or before December 31, 2022. Temporary permits are not guaranteed to be issued before December 31, 2022. We will issue temporary permits as applications are submitted, so submit your application as early as possible.

Late Applications: If we receive your application after December 31, 2022, you are not eligible to receive a temporary permit. This means that you will have to cease all bingo operations until you receive your license. Additionally, since we are reviewing applications in the order they are received, your late application will not be reviewed, and you will not receive a license, until after we have reviewed all of the applications submitted before your late application.

If your organization needs assistance with online filing, our inspectors will be available, at no cost to you, to help you file your online application. Please call Connor Lemons at 614-466-3181 before November 10, 2022, to schedule an appointment. If you choose to have an inspector assist you, see the attached Information Sheet for a few reminders.

Additional information, including frequently asked questions and registration for bingo training, is available on our website at <https://Charitable.OhioAGO.gov/Charitable-Bingo>. If you have any questions, feel free to contact a Bingo Compliance Examiner at 1-800-282-0515 or email CharitableBingo@OhioAGO.gov.