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Governor talks up budget to area seniors; *Home care touted over nursing homes*

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SANDUSKY — Gov. John Kasich visited a Sandusky retirement home Monday to highlight a part of the new Ohio budget that expands choice for senior citizens in Ohio.

Governor Kasich said the state's 2012-13 budget will allow seniors freedom to receive care in their own home or at a community facility.

"In the past if somebody wanted to stay in their home, there were limited opportunities for them to do it. That day is gone. I can't think of anything more important to a senior than to be able to stay in their home with assistance rather than being put in a facility that they're not comfortable with," Mr. Kasich said to a small crowd of bureaucrats and residents at the Viewpoint Apartments.

The apartment complex, owned by National Church Residences, houses seniors and people with disabilities and is on the Sandusky waterfront, overlooking a marina.

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