medina county board of developmental disabilities - 2024 Annual Report -



was a year marked by significant achievements, growth, and meaningful milestones for individuals with developmental differences in Medina County.

As we reflect on the achievements of 2024, we are proud to share the progress our organization has made in advancing our mission of helping people with developmental differences become valued members of our community. Together with our dedicated team, partners, and stakeholders, we have embraced new opportunities, and strengthened our commitment to our community and those we serve. We are happy to share all that our agency was able to accomplish in the last year.

We are truly grateful for your support. Our community has embraced people with developmental differences into everyday life and activities. We commend the unwavering support and dedication of Medina County residents in championing those who need it most.

Your efforts are essential to the success and well-being of the people and families we serve, playing a crucial role in helping approximately 1,500 of our neighbors access the resources they need to achieve greater independence.

We look forward to continuing our mission as we build on the momentum of 2024.

2024 Notables

- Hosted the First Annual Tech Summit
 In collaboration with Summit DD and We Thrive Together,
 worked with 40 vendors and 500 guests to explore and learn
 about the newest technology available to help increase
 independence for people with disabilities.
- Received the highest level accreditation from Ohio Department of DD

Accredited for a period of three years - the highest rating an agency may receive - through a process with a team of on-site reviewers, looking at over 370 areas related to the Ohio Administrative Code, as well as daily operations and processes, for the ability to help people with developmental differences.

- Created Direct Support Professionals (DSP)
 recruitment resources to increase employment
 Developed a DSP Recruitment and Retention Program which
 included the development of a DSP recruitment website and
 a six agency collaborative; overall efforts enabled over 175
 applicants to be shared with the local provider network.
- Developed an online knowledge library of resources for individuals and families

Identified the areas of training and resources most needed by individuals and families as they navigate the DD system and established an online Family Resource Library focused on those resources.

- Collaborated to support child care providers to enroll and support children with disabilities

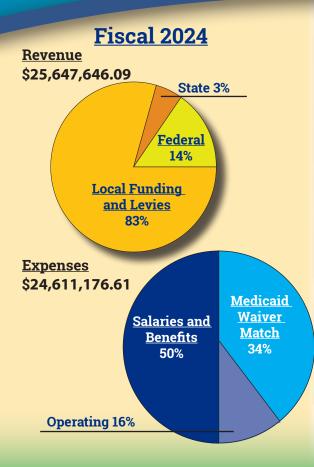
 Worked with four child care providers for recommendations about environments, schedules, behavior support training and strategies to use to support children with disabilities.
- Presented new format of "Speak Up! Speak Out!" advocacy training to local schools and providers
 Updated and presented important advocacy training to help students in transition classes at the Medina County Career Center, and people with developmental differences at provider agencies, learn to make their voices heard.
- Collaborated for three-part community employment training event

Partnered with the Northeast Ohio County Boards Employment Collaborative, to present a three-part series about planning, service delivery and employer engagement to educate on best practices and processes for increasing community employment for people with disabilities.

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Medicaid Funding

672 people rely on Medicaid Waivers

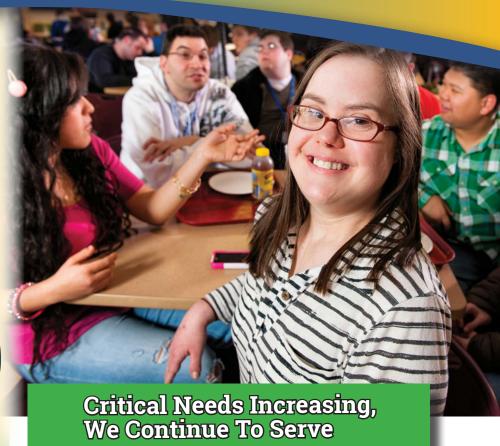
When a person is given a "waiver" it is to access Medicaid funding sources to help pay for the services they need. MCBDD is mandated by the federal Medicaid program to be responsible for 35% of Medicaid Waiver costs. Once a person receives a waiver, it is considered a lifelong funding source (as long as need-based requirements continue to be met) and typically increases each year; this results in annual increased costs to MCBDD.

\$9.8 million - MCBDD's Medicaid Waiver 80 Match Costs

80% increase since 2020

MCBDD's 35% Waiver Match funding allowed local providers to receive Medicaid payments totaling \$36,209,586.

68% increase since 2020



Service Areas:

- Early Intervention
- Therapy
- Windfall School
- Transition
- Assistive Technology
- Advocacy

- Employment
- Case Management
- Funding
- Training
- Family Support
- Health and Safety

1532

number of people served 18% increase*

799

children ages 0-22 16% increase*

733 adults over

age 22

21% increase*

*Changes Since December 2020 \$129,581.60

ARPA Grant funds used to create more community opportunities for people with developmental differences

2/0

number of providers we work with to provide needed services to help people with developmental differences

89 Agency Providers 260 Independent Providers

1,120 | 423

number of
people who
attended
DD related
trainings and
presentations

number of
people who
used or visited
the MCBDD
funded Mobile
Changing Unit
at community

137 staff members

events

9% decrease*



The mission of the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is to promote and empower individuals with developmental disabilities to live, learn, work and socialize in the community.

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