

“Hindsight 2020”

Fairfield County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health (ADAMH) Board SFY 2020 Annual Report



July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

Executive Director's Message

State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2020 was about building foundations, including:

- ADAMH constructed a new way for choosing July 1, 2021, services. The model ensures the most important and helpful programs at the best cost are purchased for the community.
- When COVID-19 appeared, ADAMH quickly changed how it worked to support clients, agencies, and the ADAMH Board. Agencies rapidly began or expanded telehealth services to ensure client care was available even with the challenges and trauma of COVID-19!
- The ADAMH Board sought and received a variety of optional grants. For example, one grant added a fulltime substance use counselor to the jail. Another grant provided a telephone line for persons suffering from COVID-19-related distresses.
- Two deputy director positions were planned to fill gaps in Board staff administrative capacity. The process began early in the year with the model refined over time. An Ad Hoc Search Committee interviewed many candidates; an offer was extended in June and an associate director started mid-August.
- Documents for ADAMH Board and committee meetings grew from simple motions to formal resolutions. These changes increased written information for Board member decision-making and transparency.
- Technology to support the ADAMH Board and committee meeting preparations and organization of contracts and other documents led the Board to approve in June 2020 ARC (ADAMH Resolution and Contract Management) System, an adaptation of the Fairfield County Commission Resolution Management System.



We look forward to SFY 2021!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rhonda Myers". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Rhonda Myers, MA, MSW, LISW-S

Executive Director

Fairfield County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health (ADAMH) Board

SFY 2020 ADAMH Board Members, ADAMH Board Staff, and Public-Private Solutions (PPS) Staff

ADAMH Board Members

Joe Sidon, Chairperson
Jonathan McCombs, Ph.D., Vice-chairperson
Joe Palmer, Secretary
Vicki Anderson
Julie Brunner
Kristi Burre
Laura Coholich
Laura Holton
Todd McCullough
Cheryl Mace
Stephanie Mulholland
Jennifer Smith
Lisa Wells
Jennifer Yancey

ADAMH Board Staff

Rhonda Myers, MA, MSW, LISW-S, Executive Director
Toni Ashton, M.Ed., LSW, OCPC, Prevention Coordinator
Deborah Brewer, Executive Assistant
Jen Dickerson, Accountant
Latina Duffy, Public Relations Coordinator
Maureen Muth, LISW-S, Clinical Care Coordinator
Patricia Waits, M.Ed., LPC, LICDC-CS, Program Coordinator
Tonya Wright, Accounts Payable/Office Assistant
Joshua Freedman, Opioid Recovery Support Specialist (AmeriCorps VISTA Member)

Michael Briskey, Financial Consultant
Sara McIntosh, M.D., Chief Clinical Officer
John Snider, Legal Counsel, Assisted Outpatient Treatment
Charles Elsea, Legal Counsel, Assisted Outpatient Treatment

Public~Private Solutions (PPS) Staff (shared among eight ADAMH Board counties)

Jim Averill, MIS Director
Robert Peare, Program Analyst

SFY 2020 Revenue and Expenses

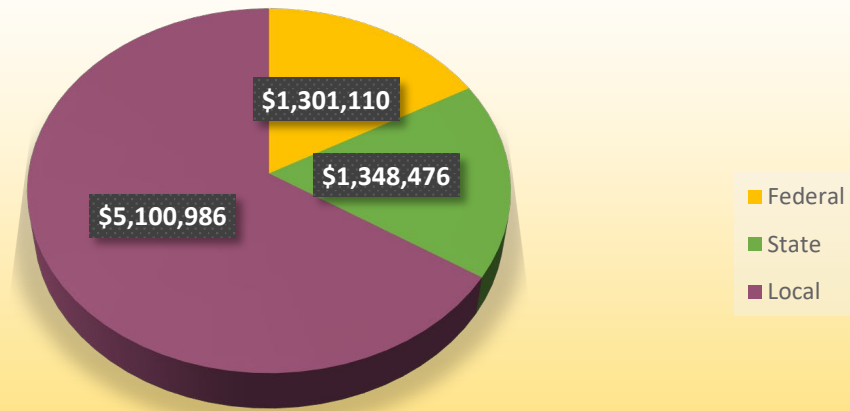
SFY 2020 Revenues

Federal \$1,301,110 State \$1,348,476 Local \$5,100,986 Total \$7,750,572

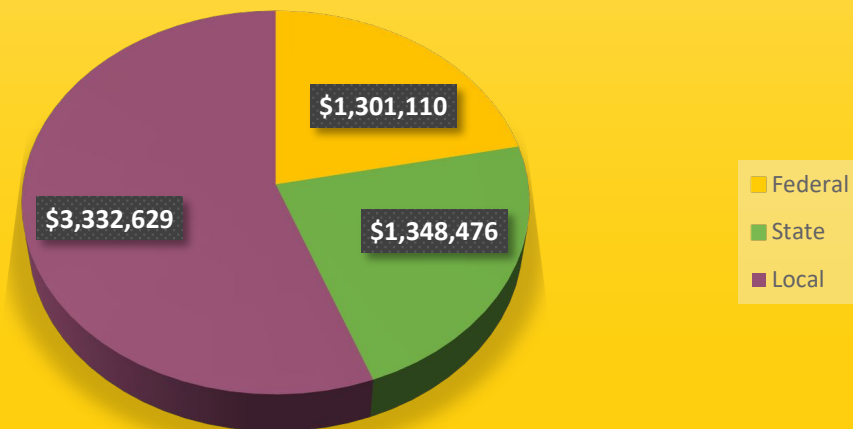
SFY 2020 Expenses

Federal \$1,301,110 State \$1,348,476 Local \$3,332,629 Total \$5,982,215

SFY 2020 Revenues by Funding Type



SFY 2020 Expenses by Funding Type



All-star Celebration Annual Dinner

On March 19, 2020, the Fairfield County ADAMH Board planned to hold its All-star Celebration Annual Dinner at the Pickerington Senior Center, but unfortunately, COVID-19 cancelled the event. However, Chairperson Joe Sidon still honored Cathy Ely, Ph.D., and Marie Ward, Ph.D., with Friend of ADAMH Awards. Sheriff David Phalen received the ADAMH Lifetime Achievement Award, and Officer Eric Wagner received the first C.I.T. Officer of the Year Award.



Pickerington Local School District's (PLSD's) Prevention Coordinator Cathy Ely, Ph.D., leads the district's team of school counselors and social work interns to provide social emotional learning support to the district's students. Dr. Ely created and facilitates an extremely successful social work intern program in partnership with The Ohio State University and Ohio University. Dr. Ely collaborates with community agencies to initiate school-based services at PLSD that include grief counseling by FAIRHOPE Hospice, mental health counseling and The Incredible Years prevention program by Ohio Guidestone, and substance use prevention services and counseling by The Recovery Center.

She has also worked to expand the school-based mental health services provided by New Horizons Mental Health Systems.

Superintendent Marie Ward, Ph.D., of the Fairfield County Education Service Center was instrumental in implementing the PAX Good Behavior Game (GBG), an evidence-based universal program, into Fairfield County classrooms. Dr. Ward submitted a proposal to the Fairfield County ADAMH Board to fund five PAX trainings for teachers and other staff in Berne Union, Liberty Union, Walnut Township, Fairfield Union, Amanda Clearcreek, and Bloom Carroll schools. By the end of State Fiscal Year 2021, a total of 200 school staff will be trained in PAX GBG.



With integrity, commitment to excellence, and community involvement, Fairfield County Sheriff David Phalen provided high-quality leadership to the Sheriff's Office during his 17 years in office. Due to his many partnerships with ADAMH and its Network of Care Agencies, he initiated the carrying of Narcan in Fairfield County Sheriff cruisers, co-founded the Fairfield County Opiate Task Force, and collaborated in the Harold Rogers Grant implementation. During his tenure, partnerships were created to provide a crisis clinician in the jail, teach Mental Health First Aid to deputies in the jail setting, and place a substance use disorder counselor and two peer supporters in the jail.

Pickerington Police Officer Eric Wagner (pictured on the left with Project F.O.R.T.'s Scott Duff) supported a client identified by Project F.O.R.T. When the client decided to enter rehab for several months, Officer Wagner arranged a foster family for the client's dog. After the client completed treatment, Officer Wagner arranged the reunion between the client and his dog. Officer Wagner, a trained C.I.T officer, displays a tremendous amount of compassion toward the citizens of Pickerington who suffer from mental health and substance use disorders. The community of Pickerington is lucky to have Officer Wagner.



2020 Network of Care Agencies

Throughout the 2020 calendar year, the ADAMH Board was proud to fund direct services through its 13 Network of Care Agencies.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Fairfield County
www.bbbs-fairfieldoh.org

Mental Health America of Ohio
www.mhaohio.org

Fairfield County 2-1-1 (Information & Referral)
www.fairfieldcounty211.org

Mid-Ohio Psychological Services, Inc.
www.mopsohio.com

Fairfield County Family, Adult and Children
First Council
www.facfc.org

New Horizons Mental Health Services
www.newhorizonsmentalhealth.org

Fairfield Mental Health Consumer Group
www.fmhcg.org

OhioGuidestone
www.ohioguidestone.org

Lancaster/Fairfield Community Action
www.faircaa.org

The Recovery Center
www.therecoverycenter.org

The Lighthouse
www.lancasterlh.org

Tyler's Light
www.tylerslight.com

Lutheran Social Services Faith Mission of Fair-
field County
www.lssnetworkofhope.org/faithmissionfc



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