

medina county board of developmental disabilities - 2023 Annual Report -



2023

was a year filled with remarkable achievements, growth, and notable moments for people with developmental differences in Medina County. We saw our community embracing inclusion and welcoming people with developmental differences into their daily lives and activities. We applaud the commitment the residents of Medina County show in supporting those who need it most. Your efforts are vital to the success and well-being of the people and families we serve and have played an invaluable role towards full community inclusion. This commitment helps about 1500 of our neighbors with developmental differences connect to the resources to lift them into independence.

Together we are moving forward to creating nurturing environments and setting critical foundations for lifelong success for people with developmental differences. We are truly grateful for your support for our agency and those we serve. We look forward to continuing our mission for many years to come.



Stacey Maleckar
Superintendent

Critical Needs Increasing, We Continue To Serve

Service Areas:

- Early Intervention
- Therapy
- Windfall School
- Transition
- Assistive Technology
- Advocacy
- Employment
- Case Management
- Funding
- Training
- Family Support
- Health and Safety

Changes Since December 2020

1490 number of people served
15% increase

795 children ages 0-22
16% increase

695 adults over age 22
14% increase

363
children
ages 0-3
in early
intervention
services
45% increase

137
staff
members
9% decrease

2023 Notables

- Worked with Medina County Career Center for DSP-U Program to find and train quality caregivers.
- Created and graduated the first class of the Leadership Academy for people with developmental differences to learn leadership skills to use in the community.
- Worked with local housing landlords and resources to educate on the benefits of renting to people with disabilities.
- Worked with Project Open House to help local childcare centers understand and learn how to better serve and welcome toddlers with developmental differences into inclusive learning environments.
- Hosted the "DD Dialogues" elected officials roundtable to bring together community to talk about important issues in the DD field.
- Received a 5-Star Step Up to Quality Rating - highest rating - for Windfall Preschool.
- Received grant funding - no additional cost to local taxpayers - for capital improvements to increase accessibility in existing 35+ year old building.



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Provider System Support

The MCBDD works with a network of local service providers to meet the needs of people with developmental differences. The MCBDD knows that community inclusion and success of people with disabilities could not happen without their partnership.

2023 MCBDD Funding for Local Provider Network Support \$826,460.61

2023 State Performance Audit Results

In 2023, the MCBDD received the results of an intensive nine-month performance audit by the State of Ohio Auditor's Office. The audit team reviewed several years of financial data, policies, procedures, best practices, reports and other documentation during the audit process. The results of the performance audit gave an additional outside third-party perspective and insight into the MCBDD's overall financial position while also evaluating the agency's financial processes in helping provide services to people with developmental differences.

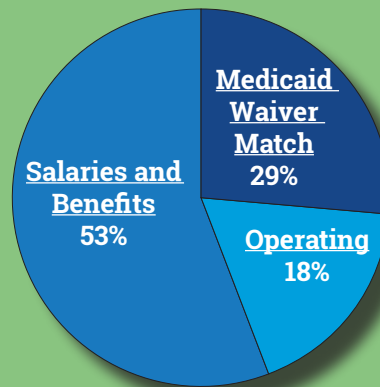
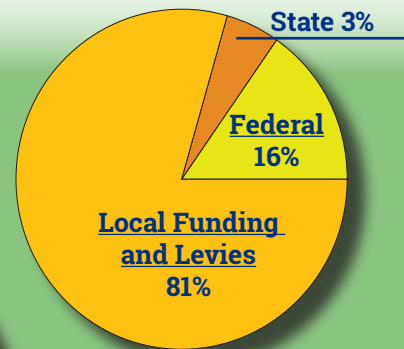
Highlights of the audit results revealed the MCBDD:

- Takes a conservative approach to financial forecasting and practices.
- Projects future revenues and expenditures more accurately than peers and state averages.
- Maintains both cash balance and non-operational accounts in line with its peers and the Ohio average for county boards of DD.
- Has salaries within the ranges of peer salaries for staff positions.
- Has expenditures in line with peers per individuals served.

Full audit results can be found at www.mcbdd.org

Fiscal 2023

Revenue
\$25,930,212.08



Expenses
\$22,169,573.07

Medicaid Funding 628 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 40% 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.

\$6.4 million MCBDD's Medicaid Waiver Match Costs

44% increase since December 2020

MCBDD's 40% Waiver Match funding allowed local providers to receive Medicaid payments totaling \$27,334,049

324

number of requests met through Provider Supports Programs

147

number of classes offered to train caregivers in medication administration classes

228

number of caregivers trained in CPR and first aid certification

160

number of background checks and assistance offered and completed-free of charge-for provider staff during hiring processes

299

number of providers we work with to provide needed services to people with disabilities and their families

86 Agency Providers
213 Independent Providers

Contributing at the State Level

County Boards in the state have voluntarily contributed additional funding to help providers address the ongoing Direct Support Professionals (DSP) workforce shortage. These funds are meant to help increase DSP wages to better attract and retain quality caregivers in the developmental disabilities field.

MCBDD's 2023 Cost \$535,042.74



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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