



# **2024 Budget Hearing**

**Medina County Commissioners**

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# Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities

## Sustaining Vital Services. Maintaining Financial Focus.

1. **Critical Needs Continue.** The Medina County Board of DD is growing to meet ever increasing needs. August 2023, we served 1484 individuals (810 children and 674 adults) and in the past three years we have seen:
  - A 26% increase in Early Intervention Services for young children (ages 0-3).
  - A 14% increase in the number of Medicaid Waivers funded going from 513 to 585 waivers.
  - A 13% increase in total eligible individuals served.
2. **The Medicaid Waiver program continues to have a SIGNIFICANT impact on budgeting and funding of services for individuals with DD.** The Medina County Board of DD is mandated to pay match toward the Medicaid Waiver program, which include annual increases and additional state/federal mandates as follows:
  - On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 Governor Mike DeWine signed House Bill 33, the state's two-year budget for FY24-25.
    - **This budget makes the largest investment in the history of Ohio's DD community.**
  - With County Boards' advocacy and financial support, the Direct Support Professional average base rate will increase from an average of \$13/hour to:
    - An average of \$18/hour beginning 1/1/2024 (30% increase in rates)
    - An average of \$19/hour beginning 7/1/2024 (38% increase in rates)
  - Appendix K Waiver amendments are in process to allow for certain waiver services to continue beyond emergency authorizations that were put into place due to the COVID public health emergency.
    - HCBS waiver provider and direct care worker relationships - Sets forth circumstances in which the parent of minor children, spouses, relatives appointed legal decision-making authority may serve as direct care workers for certain waiver services.
    - Same-day shared living and residential respite.
    - Waiver services in acute care hospital settings.
  - Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (EFMAP) – being phased out and will return to pre-COVID percentages 1/1/2024. This will increase the amount of local match needed for Medicaid services by 14% as well as decrease the amount reimbursed to the County Board for Targeted Case Management (TCM) services by 6.5%.
3. **Performance Audit Results Reaffirm MCBDD Financial Practices** - 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 developmental disabilities
  - Has salaries within the ranges of peer salaries for staff positions
  - Has expenditures in line with peers per individuals served

# MCBDD Budget Summary 2024

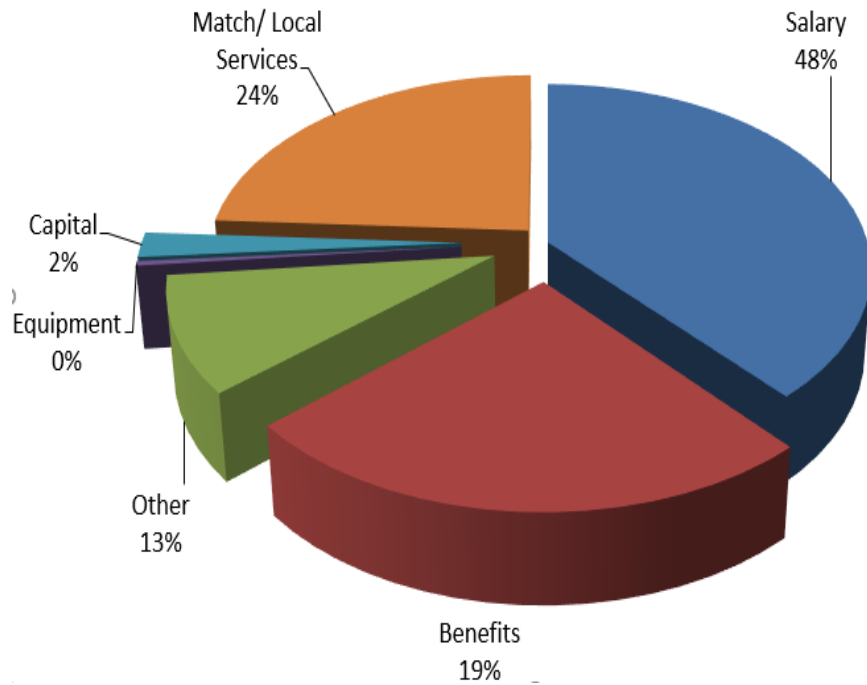
Expenses: \$26,077,803 (6.7% increase)

- Expenses expected to increase due to increase in need for services and Medicaid match mandates (DSP rate increases, additional waivers, return to normal FMAP, etc.).
  - Local Match & State Administrative Fee Budget: \$8,797,000
  - This expense alone is 44% of the local levy dollars collected.
  - MCBDD's CY24 increased local share for DSP wage increase support and EFMAP change: **\$1.9M**
- In recent years, the MCBDD has had some very high medical claim costs that exceed the medical insurance contributions. In the last two years, MCBDD has contributed an additional **\$1.5M** to the County to help offset these costs. Another contribution is expected in 2023. Rates are expected to increase in 2024.
- Capital Improvement costs vary from year to year. All projects are built into a 10-year plan.
  - Capital Improvement Budget: \$618,000
- Reserves (ORC 5705.222):
  - General reserve: \$8,685,895
  - Capital reserve: \$2,183,357

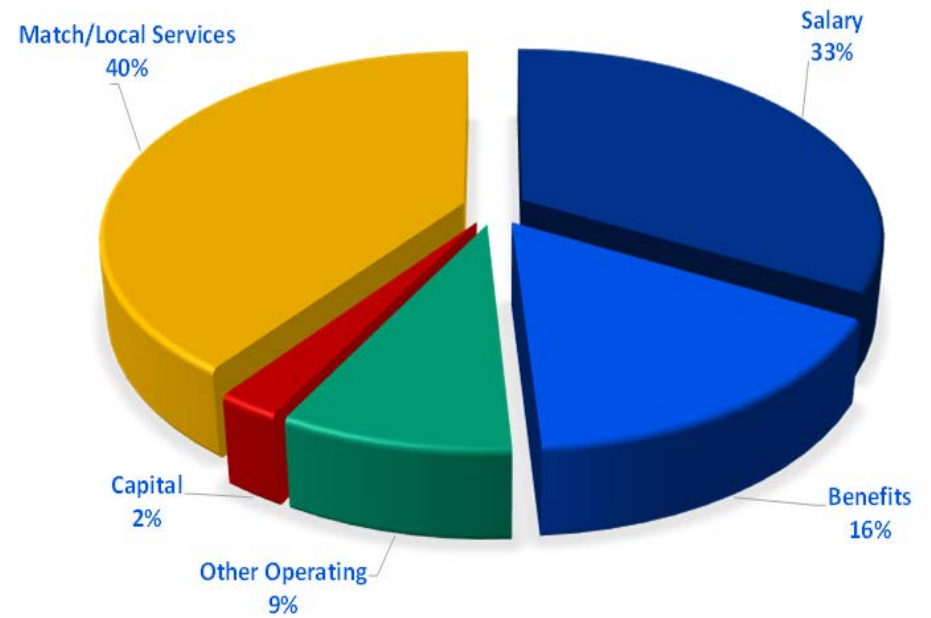
Revenue: \$25,164,155 (3.8% increase)

- General Fund Revenue breakdown:
  - 79% Levy dollars
  - 13% Federal dollars
  - 3% State dollars
  - 5% Other local sources (general reimbursements, rent, fees, refunds, etc.)
- Fluctuation on timing and payout of cost report audits and settlements. This is determined by the State Auditor and DODD. We are expecting (1) cost report settlement and (1) waiver match reconciliation in 2024 - \$1.3M. This settlement process timeline was indicated as an issue of further study for DODD in the recent Performance Audit.

**Expenses 2019**



**EXPENSES 2024**



Point of reference (2019 – end of last levy cycle):

- Salary – 48%, Benefits – 19% - declining
- Match/Local Funded Services – 24% - increasing
- Other Operating – 13% - declining
- Capital – 2% - same

## Waivers are a LIFETIME Commitment!

\*Plan costs noted below are for FY23 and do not include the increase to waiver rates in effect for FY24 & FY25.

Continued increase in need for children to enroll on waivers – the younger the age, the longer the support is needed.

- 2018 - 54 children have waivers for a total ANNUAL cost of \$2,002,971
- 2023 - 124 children have waivers for a total ANNUAL cost of \$4,320,779
- In 5 years, this is a 116% increase of costs!

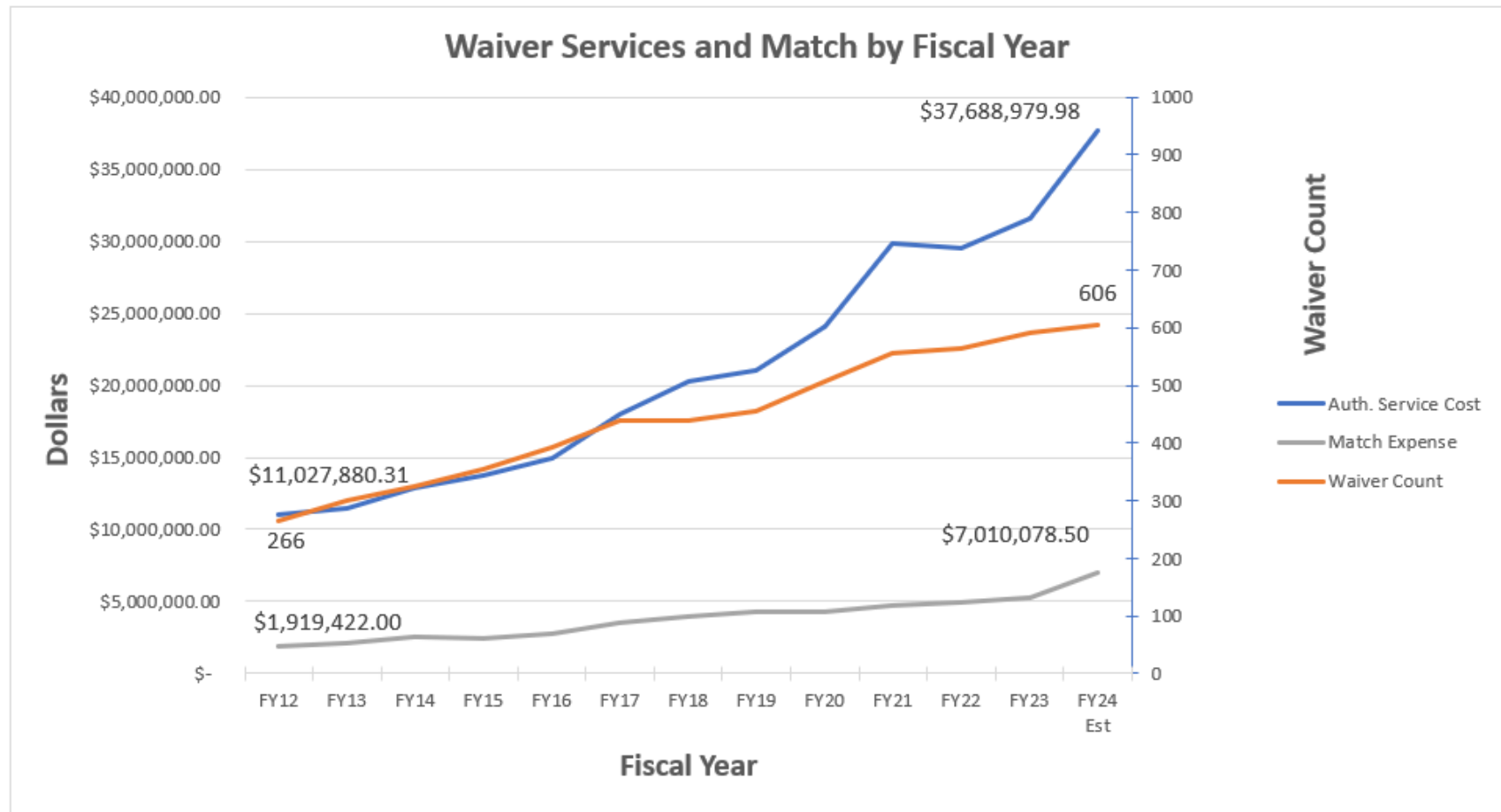
As of 2023, the average Individual Options (I.O.) waiver (no cost cap) plan cost is \$79,072.

There are currently 336 individuals on I.O. waivers:

- 122 individuals (36%) have annual service plan costs that exceed the average.
- 101 individuals (30%) have annual service plan costs that exceeds \$100,000.
- 19 individuals (6%) have annual plan costs that exceeds \$200,000.

In 2024, 44% of levy dollars collected by MCBDD will go toward Medicaid match. By 2028, 61% of levy dollars collected by MCBDD will go toward Medicaid match.

## Why does Medina County BDD pay match to the State? Leveraging Funds



**Service costs** – total cost of individual waiver service plans (includes FY24 rate increase).

**Medicaid Match** – MCBDD’s local mandate. **Our \$7M investment is bringing \$37.7M worth of services directly to the individuals needing service in Medina County for FY24.**

**Waiver Count** – total waivers funded.

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2024 Budget  
Compliance Requirements for ORC 5126.038  
Payments for Membership Dues, Professional Services, and Training

Account Code	Category (B) (1)	Total 2023 Budget	Total 2024 Budget
3300VARIOUS-50610	Professional Dues & Memberships	\$ 71,535	\$ 64,155
Category (B) (2)			
33000008-50580	Legal Services	\$ 0	\$ 0
28559595-50580	Consulting Services	\$ 57,100	\$ 38,050
33000005-50580			
33004041-50580			
3300008-50580	In-service Speakers/Staff Development	\$ 3,000	\$ 8,000
Category (B) (3)			
3300VARIOUS-50560	Staff Training - Seminars & Conferences	\$ 50,900	\$ 55,400
<b>Total Projected Expenditures</b>		<b>\$ 182,535</b>	<b>\$165,605</b>