Our commitment to work together and work thoughtfully with individuals, families, providers and the community remains strong and is vital to a high quality and effective local system for people with developmental disabilities. We are continuing to advocate, educate and inspire to ensure that all doors are open to equality in opportunity and full participation in community life and the workplace. We have much progress to make, yet we are excited and energized by the positive changes occurring, especially those taking place in the community.

Increasing opportunities for competitive employment, community membership and participation as well as partnering with provider agencies to enhance service quality were goals we continued to advance in 2018. Nearly 800 people were competitively employed in 2018, showing significant improvement from past years. New models that help people explore their interests in the community and learn skills for independence are evolving. Personal day schedules are replacing program ones. Professionals are sharing best practices and working together to raise expectations and the quality of services overall. The future holds much promise for continued progress, further strengthening the local DD system.

The Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities has an accomplished history of supporting children and adults with developmental disabilities, assuring they have access to needed services and an inclusive community. This will continue to be our focus as we strive to achieve future goals and make certain that people with developmental disabilities are supported and empowered to live, learn, work and play in the community.

Sincerely,

Kelly A. Petty
Superintendent & CEO

Tania J. Younkin
2018 President of the Board

2018 Board

Our mission is
to support and empower
people with developmental disabilities
to live, learn, work and play
in the community.

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Revenues

- Levy: 56.8%
- State: 4.0%
- Federal: 26.8%
- Other: 12.4%

Expenditures

- Services for Children: 2.5%
- Services for Adults: 15%
- Special Services: 7%
- Transportation: 3.5%
- Business: 8%
- Administration: 4%
- Community & Medicaid Services: 33%
- Local Match (for Medicaid Waivers): 27%

Cost per individual: $17,590

TOTAL PEOPLE SERVED

- Unduplicated
- 4.5% increase from 2017

By gender

- Male: 63%
- Female: 37%

By age

- Birth - 2: 15%
- 3-21: 31%
- 22-59: 47%
- 60+: 7%

Participation by Type of Service

- People are counted in every area that they receive services

- 3,631: Adult Activities & Group Employment
- 797: Individual Employment
- 5,262: Support Administration
- 1,857: Family Supports
- 2,089: Children’s Services
- 841: Assistive Technology & Therapists
- 1,159: Behavioral & Health Services
The BIG Picture: The need continues to grow as revenue continues to decrease

Need for services
People served 2014 - 2018

Revenue
Levy revenue 2006 - 2018

CCBDD Family Supports Program
Helping families care for their loved ones living in their homes

1,857 people benefitted from the Family Supports Program

Top 5 services or goods purchased
1. Respite 38%
2. Specialized equipment 26%
3. Recreation therapy 19%
4. Camp 14%
5. Diapers 6%

52 modifications made to families’ homes allowing family members with a disability to remain at home with their loved ones. Examples of home modifications:

- Ramps and porch lifts allow safe access to one’s home.
- Bathroom modifications promote safety and help address personal hygiene needs.
- Van modifications help people be able to access their community more.
- Alarm systems allow parents to know if their children are leaving the home when they are busy.
Supporting people along a pathway to employment

- **797** people employed in competitive jobs
- **6** hiring events held by the Employment Collaborative of Cuyahoga County
- **85** local businesses attending
- **77** people hired as a result of these events

HIRE someone with a disability and enhance workplace diversity. People with disabilities can work and want to work. Call 216-931-7458

Partnering with providers to enhance service quality

- **40** provider agencies attended
- **9** provider trainings held on a variety of topics
- **17** provider agencies received technical support from CCBDD professionals

Promoting a more inclusive community

- **186 people** borrowed **279 pieces of equipment** from CCBDD's lending library to help foster greater independence and more time spent in the community
- **10,000+ Community Resource & Transportation Guides** shared throughout the County

- **195 people** received community travel training services
- **21 videos** created as a training series to help provider agencies and professionals support people in discovering interests and exploring the community

Safety in the Community and the Integrated Community Supports training series are available at: www.youtube.com/user/CuyahogaBDD
CCBDD’s Good Life Ambassadors
Inspiring people throughout the county

The Good Life Ambassadors (advocates) gave
88 presentations
in the community
inspiring over
2,000 people

“I had no idea persons with autism were able to communicate so effectively! Thanks for the revelation!”

“This was a great presentation. My understanding about individuals with disabilities has greatly increased.”

“Great presentation – impressed with community involvement.”

“This group is very competent and is helping to dispel preconceived notions about people with disabilities. BRAVO!”

BE INSPIRED. Invite a Good Life Ambassador to speak at your agency, event or business. Call 216-736-2722

Enjoying time in the community, together

57 people
benefitted from friendship & shared interests with CCBDD community friend volunteers

272 volunteers shared
4,331 hours of their time to enrich the lives of others

Families helping families
ProviderGuidePlus

The Cuyahoga County Board of DD helped to develop and launch an online tool for families to rate their providers of services for people with developmental disabilities in Ohio. Families in the process of choosing a provider can use the reviews in this tool to help make a decision on which provider to select.

ProviderGuidePlus.com