







Richland County Job & Family Services













### Letter from the Director

### Dear Community,

It is an honor to present the 2020-21 annual report. This report allows us to reflect on the past year and paint a picture of where we are today, almost two years into the public health emergency. The Richland County Job & Family Services was and continues to be dedicated to protecting our employees and customers, but never closed our doors to the public. Keeping our doors open was accomplished with the strong support of our Board of Commissioners, and with our dedicated professional employees.

Despite the challenges that our community faced in 2020-21, the Richland JFS employees made sure that benefits and services were being provided to the residents during the pandemic. I am extremely proud of their work.

The goal of this report is to provide quick facts and information about the delivery of services, initiatives, and programs services provided within 2020-21.

Please share this report with anyone who might have an interest in Richland JFS or is curious to know what we are doing to meet the needs of our community.

#### Sharlene Neumann

P.S. Pictured Celebrating 40 years of public service with Commissioners Darrell Banks, Tony Vero, and Cliff Mears





## Where are we?

171/183 Park Avenue East, Mansfield Ohio Phone: 419 774-5400

Richland-ContactUs@jfs.ohio.gov





### Mission Statement

To improve the well-being of Ohio's workforce and families by promoting economic self-sufficiency and ensuring the safety of Richland County's most vulnerable citizens.

## **Vision Statement**

To ensure that all individuals and families are provided encouragement and offered opportunity for personal responsibility, self-sufficiency, and realization of their fullest potential.

Medicaid		Food- SNAP	Cash
<u>Fraud</u> Investigatio Benefit Recov	n very	Social Services Adult PS Child Care Healthy Start Transportation	Work Activities WEP CCMEP PRC ABAWD
OhioMeansJobs- WIOA Adult Dislocated Wo Youth		Indirect Service Contract Management	MIS Human Resources Fiscal
Workforce Developme		Administration Reception	Employer Services Job Recruitment Resource Room



RCJFS Supports 40,333 Citizens



Richland County Economic Impact \$341,634,739

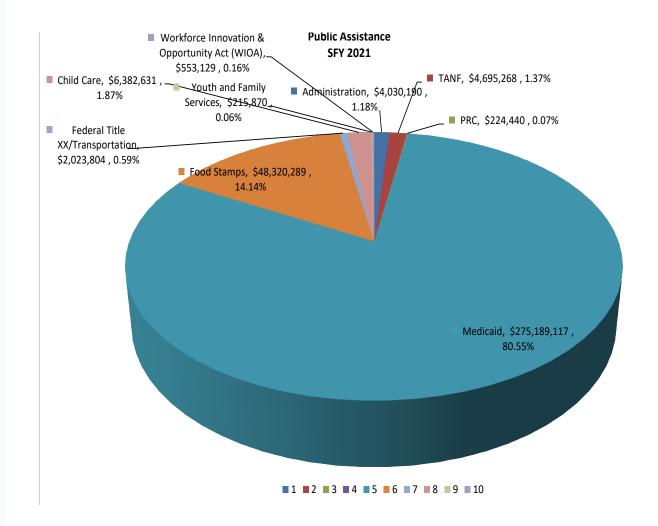


## **Financial Statement**



### SFY 2021 Fiscal Impact

	Total Operations	County Operations	Admin Only
Administration:	A 4 0 4 5 000	0 4045000	A 4 0 4 5 000
Shared Costs	\$ 1,315,988	\$ 1,315,988	\$ 1,315,988
Income Maintenance	\$ 1,439,235	\$ 1,439,235	\$ 1,439,235
Social Services/WA/WIOA	\$ 1,274,967	\$ 1,274,967	\$ 1,274,967
Sub Total	\$ 4,030,190	\$ 4,030,190	\$ 4,030,190
Purchased Services:			
PRC/Support Services	\$ 224,440	\$ 224,440	
TANF/CCMEP Contracted Services	\$ 1,632,420	\$ 1,632,420	
TXX/TXX TANF/APS	\$ 725,051	\$ 725,051	
Youth and Family Services	\$ 215,870	\$ 215,870	
Transportation Services	\$ 1,298,753	\$ 1,298,753	
WIOA/FA Employment and Training	\$ 553,129	\$ 553,129	
Sub Total	\$ 4,649,664	\$ 4,649,664	
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Assistance Expenditures:			
Ohio Works First	\$ 3,062,848		
Child Care	\$ 6,382,631		
Work Allowance	\$ 52,190		
Medicaid	\$ 275,189,117		
Disability Assistance	\$ -		
Food Stamps	\$ 48,268,099		
Sub Total	\$ 332,954,885		
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Grand Total	\$ 341,634,739	\$ 8,679,854	\$ 4,030,190
County Mandated Share Total	\$ 378,342	\$ 378,342	\$ 378,342
Administrative Costs as a Percent of Total	1.18%	46.43%	100.00%
County Mandated Share as a Percent of Total	0.11%	4.36%	9.39%
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## **Volume of Customers Served**



35,714 Mail Opened

8,610 SNAP Applications

180 TANF/Cash-only Applications

3,633 Medicaid Applications

35,015 Calls Handled



# Customer Benefits Provided

Income Maintenance, Social Services, Work Activities staff help families and individuals receiving TANF/Ohio Works First (cash assistance) and/or SNAP/Food Assistance to enhance their employability.

Job readiness, soft skill, training, work experience placements, child care, medical and transportation assistance are available to help customers as they work toward self-sufficiency.



- 1,986 OWF Adults/Children
- \$48,320,289 Food Assistance/SNAP Issued
- 29,005 Food Assistance/SNAP Adults/Children
- \$275,189,117 Medicaid Expenditures\*
- 40,835 Medicaid Individuals

<sup>\*</sup>The Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), named Ohio Works First (OWF) in Ohio, is time-limited assistance for families with children when parents or other responsible relatives cannot provide for the family's basic needs.

<sup>\*</sup>Medicaid benefit expenditures far exceed other benefits administered by Richland County Job & Family Services.

## **Community Partner Contracts**

Grant Name	Service Provider	Services	Amount Paid
CCMEP TANF Regular - CDJFS Lead	CATALYST LIFE SERVICES/CCMEP TANF YOUTH	CCMEP TANF Youth Services	\$ 439,436.72
Kinship Caregiver	RICHLAND COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES	Kinship Stabilization Services	\$ 68,906.30
Medicaid NET	Advantage Family Outreach	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 20,153.36
Medicaid NET	All American Transportation	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 379,958.00
Medicaid NET	Apple Lane	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 169,260.25
Medicaid NET	C & D RIDES	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 5,044.10
Medicaid NET	D & D Rides, LLC	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 374,245.15
Medicaid NET	Elite Medical Transport	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 141,430.50
Medicaid NET	MBIE	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 192,988.25
Medicaid NET	TRANSPORTATION 4U, LLC	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 7,001.43
Medicaid NET	DANOP	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 4,187.59
Medicaid NET	SHELL	Non-Emergency Transportation	\$ 2,940.60
TANF REGULAR	RICHLAND COUNTY CHILDREN'S AUXILIARY	Clothes and Book Bags	\$ 135,685.00
TANF REGULAR	RICHLAND COUNTY YOUTH & FAMILY COUNCIL	Clothing Vouchers & Book Bags	\$ 308,654.16
TANF REGULAR	RICHLAND COUNTY JUVENILE COURT	Early Childhood Services	\$ 32,519.75
TANF REGULAR	RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF DD	Academy of Leadership	\$ 15,502.82
TANF REGULAR	RICHLAND COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES	Kinship Caregiver Payments	\$ 163,944.36
TANF REGULAR/CCMEP TANF REGULAR	CATALYST LIFE SERVICES/SUCCESS UNLIMITED	Success Unlimited	\$ 432,195.99
Title XX - Base Subsidy	CATHOLIC CHARITIES	APS Guardianship Services	\$ 39,729.32
Title XX - Base Subsidy	MANSFIELD/RICHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY/211	I&R Services	\$ 16,889.13
Title XX - Base Subsidy	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER	Shelter	\$ 18,100.00
Title XX - Transfer Subsidy	HARMONY HOUSE	Shelter	\$ 57,040.00
Title XX - Transfer Subsidy	RICHLAND COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES	Court Liaison	\$ 541,994.11
Title XX - Transfer Subsidy	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER	Shelter	\$ 49,700.00
WIOA	CATALYST LIFE SERVICES	OPIOID Grant	\$ 40,796.17
WIOA	The Chamber	Workforce Development	\$ 85,000.00
WIOA	CATALYST LIFE SERVICES	WIOA Youth Services	\$ 320,730.40
			\$ 4,064,033.46



## **Success Unlimited**



Success Unlimited is a collaborative TANFfunded program contracted through Catalyst Life Services.

Success Unlimited works in conjunction with Richland County Job and Family Services Work Activities case managers to ensure recipients of Ohio Works First who are required to participate in federal work activities programs are successful in overcoming barriers to employment.



### Services Include:

- 1. GED preparation/literacy remediation
- 2. OPIOID 3 Grant Services
- 3. Tutoring for WIOA Youth and ABAWDs
- 4. Peer Recovery Support Training
- 5. Pre-employment preparation services
- 6. CDCA certification
- 7. Career exploration and development
- 8. Work Keys
- 9. Life skills instruction
- 10. ASVAB for military service
- 11. Subsidized and unsubsidized work
- 12. Compromised Background
- 13. Transportation assistance (bus tickets, gas cards)
- 14. Re-Entry Program
- 15. Buckeye Bank loans
- 16. On the Job Training

# Public Assistance Statistics





Richland County Job & Family Services' successful implementation of the many programs we administer is measured in a variety of ways and is reported to our State and Federal Partners.

### Some of These Measures Include:

<b>SNAP Application Timeliness</b>	94.84%
SNAP QC Error Rate	00.00%
Real-time Eligibility – Medicaid	61.00%
Real-time Eligibility – SNAP	56.00%
Work Activity Participation	
<ul> <li>All Family</li> </ul>	62.34%
<ul> <li>Two- Parent</li> </ul>	71.08%

# Subsidized Child/Day Care Benefits

- \$6,382,631 Child Care Expenses Yearly
- 1259 Average Monthly Child Care Recipients
- 609 Average Monthly Child Care Families Subsidized
- 30 Step Up to Quality Child Care Centers
- 42 Child Care Providers

Richland County Job & Family Services
offers financial assistance to eligible
caregivers to help them with childcare
costs while they engage in work, education
or job training activities. This assistance
allows low-income parents to find and
maintain employment while ensuring their
children have access to safe dependable
care.



# Prevention, Retention and Contingency (PRC) Services funded by Federal TANF dollars for those families that are working.

\$69,327.46	Housing
\$28,086.15	Utilities
\$94,736.25	Car Repairs
\$16,634.44	COVID
\$13,132.17	Short Term Education
\$ 2,523.93	Support Services
\$224,440.40	Total

## **Non-Emergency Transportation (NET)**

## **Non-Emergency Transportation**

	Taxi	Gas Voucher	<b>Bus Tickets</b>
Consumers Served	7,940	557	466
One-Way Trips Provided	35,807	1,090	466
Mileage	408,641	38,493	N/A
Expenditures	\$1,290,244.30	\$7,504.70	\$1,004

Non-Emergency Transportation (NET) provides Medicaid-eligible adults and children with access to transportation services needed to attend medical, dental, vision, counseling, and other Medicaid eligible appointments. Participants who travel by personal car to necessary medical appointments may be eligible for prepaid fuel cards to help cover the cost of transportation.



Healthchek is Ohio Medicaid's child health benefit for children under age 21. The Federal name for this benefit is Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment services, or EPSDT. The purpose of Healthchek is to find and treat health problems early, so your child can have the best health and development possible. Healthchek is free and covers Healthchek exam (well child check-ups), hearing, vision and dental screenings to diagnose any health problems your child might have. It also covers medical and dental treatments and equipment that may be determined as medically necessary.

- 660 Pregnancy letters were mailed to expectant mothers informing them about available services.
- 695 Newborn letters were sent to households with newborns informing them about available services.
- 320 Processed ODM 03528 Healthchek & Pregnancy Related Services Information Sheet.
- 13 Referrals were made to Help Me Grow.

# Services to Seniors

### **Total Referrals 389**

**Total Home Visits Completed 475** 

Average age 73

### 286 - "Screened In" Includes:

- 26 Emotional/Verbal Abuse
- 78 Exploitation
- 51 Neglect
- 90 Self Neglect
- 20 Maltreatment
- 14 Physical Abuse
- 103 "Screened Out" Includes:
- 24 Concerns Addressed
- 02 Current Open Case
- 29 Did Not Meet Criteria
- 22 Information and Referral
- 13 No Maltreatment
- 13 Referred to Appropriate Agency
- 04 Could not Locate

## **Adult Protective Services**

The goals of Adult Protective Services (APS) are to prevent, reduce or remedy conditions causing endangerment to adults, maximize their independence, and enable them to remain in their own homes as long as possible.



Note: JFS Social Workers pictured participating in the Ohio Area Agency on Aging Senior Spring Extravaganza.

## **Adult Protective Services Interdisciplinary-Team Members**

Steve Sheldon, Sheriff, Richland County Sheriff's Office
Keith Porch, Chief, Mansfield Police Department
Tommy Hill, Chief, Ontario Police Department
Duana Patton, Director, Area Agency on Aging
Joe Troilan, Director, Richland County Mental Health and Recovery Board
Rebecca Owens, Regional Director, Catholic Charities
Gary Bishop, Prosecuting Attorney, Richland County Prosecuting Attorney's Office
Kristie Evans, Court Investigator, Richland County Probate Court
Michelle Giess, Superintendent, Richland County Newhope
Laura Montgomery, President, Catalyst Life Services
Katherine Ezawa, Executive Director, Domestic Violence Shelter
Sharlene Neumann, Richland County Job & Family Services

APS I-Team members meet monthly to provide consultation to providers handing complex cases in order to better coordinate efforts related to abuse, neglect and exploitation of adults.

# **Benefit Recovery**

173,108 – Income Alerts Received

128 - Referrals for Fraud

51 - Overpayments

\$68,759 Overpayments Created

\$9,058 - Ohio Works First Program Collections

\$607.50 - TANF Program Collections

\$61,350.03 - SNAP Program Collections

\$139,774.53 - Total Collections

JFS is responsible for establishing overpayments and collecting claims against individuals that traffic benefits or received more assistance benefits than they are entitled to receive.





# **Richland County**

A proud partner of the American Job Center network



Job Seeker Services Funded by the Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act

### Services Include:

- Resource Room Services 11,769 Visits
- Education/Financial Aid Resources
- Job Search Assistance
- Resume Writing Assistance
- TABE Testing
- Hiring Events 33
- Job Fairs
- Veterans Services



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Training Services Funded by the Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act

### Services Include:

- Youth Training 160 Participants \$320,730.40
- Dislocated Worker 10 Participants \$61,229.26
- Adult Training 73 Participants \$400,258.31
- Incumbent Worker Training 2 Participants \$3,802.00
- Obtained Employment 122



## **Area 10 Workforce Investment Board**

Tim Bowersock, City of Mansfield

Jeremy Knisely, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

Mandy Davis, Ohio Health Mansfield, and Shelby

Beth Delaney, Mid-Ohio Spherion Staffing

Jeff DeVito, Milliron Industries

Dorey Diab, North Central State College

Gary Frankhouse, My Floors Prints and Paints

Cassandra Holtzmann, Crawford County Job and Family Services

Miranda Jones, Galion-Crestline Chamber of Commerce

Matt McClester, Ohio Allied Craft Workers

Helen McNamara, Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

Nikia Fletcher, Mansfield City Schools

Sharlene Neumann, Richland County Job and Family Services

Carl Neutzling, IBEW Local 688

Randa Payne, Adena Corporation

Jenni Paramore, Directions Credit Union

Jim Philips, Vitro Corporation

Sonja Pluck, Madison Adult Career Center

Charles Powell, Baker's Collision

Aaron Ramus, Sentec Systems

Zoi Romanchuck, PR Machine Works, Slick Automated Solutions, Inc.

Sam VanCura, Total Performance Solutions, Inc.



## **Executive Finance Committee**





## Thank you for the planning guidance!

- \* Richland JFS serves as the Administrative Entity and Fiscal agent for RCYFC
- \* Finance Committee member

Mark Abrams, City of Mansfield

\*Lisa Benson, Richland County Juvenile Court

Tony Vero, Richland County Commissioner

Hannah Crouch, Parent Representative

Joe Devany, Ohio Heartland Community Action Commission

Tiffiny Ellenberger, City of Shelby Health Department

- \*Michele Giess, Richland Board of Developmental Disabilities
- \*Nikki Harless, Richland County Children Services
- \*Sarah Humphrey, Richland Public Health

Stan Jefferson, Mansfield City Schools

Kevin Kimmel, Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center

\*Sharlene Neumann, Richland County Job and Family Services

Wendy Thompson, OSU/NCSC Child Development Center

\*Joe Trolian, Richland County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board

Dan Varn, United Way of Richland County

Elizabeth Warner, Parent Representative

Michelle Wood, Ohio Department of Youth Services





Looking for more Teens this summer!!!





# "SPREAD THE WORD"

## **EMPLOYERS**

Learn more about becoming a work site as an employer

## TEENS AGE 14-18

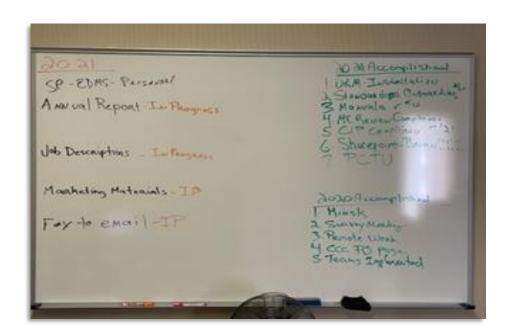
Learn about employment opportunities this summer for TEENS AGES 14-18

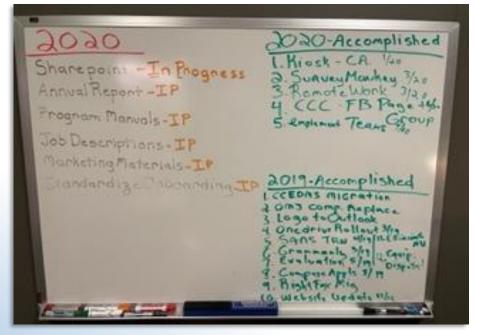
Call 419-774-5442 or



# Additional Accomplishments

- Participated in the County Wage Study-Job Descriptions update
- IT System Upgrades
- Hired & Trained 6 employees
- Managers attended Implicit Bias Training
- Remote Work Policies Developed
- Union Contract Settled
- Website Update





# Richland County JFS in the News



## **Richland Source**

5-13-21	New summer employment program offers teens more ways to get involved
4-30-21	MOESC & Richland Area Chamber of Commerce host May 6 student job fair
4-29-21	'Help Wanted' signs going up for \$700,000 local summer jobs program
3-15-21	Local youth program helps teen tackle employment
3-4-21	COVID-19: County Commissioners discuss gradual end to remote work for employees
2-10-21	Virtual career fair on Feb. 18 to connect job seekers with local employers
2-9-21	JFS, First Call 211 agree on new memorandum of understanding
1-14-21	Richland County Commissioners OK \$100,000 for local economic development
10-19-20	Agencies support pregnant women through October 23 drive-thru baby shower
9-16-20	Richland County Job and Family Services seeks more child care providers
7-3-20	\$300,000 available to help area minority-owned businesses, job seekers

### Mansfield News Journal

7-26-21	Commissioners need to cut proposed 2022 budget requests by 13%
6-2-21	Commissioners lift COVID restrictions, hold CDBG hearings
4-30-21	Commissioners OK funds to provide summer jobs for 100 teens
3-31-21	Commissioners name new dog warden, OK summer youth jobs progran
3-5-21	Commissioners set April 1 for departments to reopen
2-10-21	Commissioners renew operating contract for 211, discuss signage
1-8-21	Commissioners approve raise for non-union JFS employees
12-4-20	Commissioners address sharing COVID information to residents
11-10-20	Commissioners hear 2021 budget for JFS, four other departments

# Richland JFS Gives Back

United Way

Big Red

Bookshelf

Tree Socks for

Colminumity Baldy Shower

Brighten A Christmas

Clothing Vouchers

Kingwood Christmas

Book Bags

Adopt DaySpring at Christmas



## **Collaborative Partners**



































**FIRST CALL** 









#### Eligibility Referral Specialist 2 - Income Maintenance **Amy Sharp** 14 years Jen Maglott 8 years Lawanda Marsh 8 years Julie Workman 7 years Kim Yetzer 7 years Sherri Schartiger 5 years Anelisa Russell 3 years Ashley Pavlick 1 year Jacob Ballengee <1 year Ashley Pirnstill <1 year Eligibility Referral Specialist 2 – Social Services M Michele Schemine 26 years 19 years Jonnie Barnes P Karen Bueno 15 years Theresa Peters 15 years Jennifer Williams 6 years **Unit Support Workers** Darlene Neal 6 years Karen Bittner 6 years Michelle Bings 2 years Toby Borders <1 year **Clerical Specialist Kay Dropsey** 5 years Social Service Worker 1 Connie Young 32 years John Dorsey 27 years Cindy Vandergriend 15 years Paige Mack 8 years Beth Fliger 2 years Sammi Greenich 2 years Social Service Worker 2 Joy Bulakovski 14 years Karen Kepple 7 years Student Help **Abby Sargent** 13 years Part-Time Staff Aleta Crunkilton 8 years

Amy Ventrone

5 years

#### Eligibility Referral Supervisor 1

Linda Pesch 15 years
Stephanie Cook 15 years
Samantha Miller 15 years
Heather Mosley 15 years
JoAnn Wallace 5 years

#### Social Service Supervisor

Cindy Schunatz 6 years

### Training / MIS

Brian Hamilton <1 year
Dalton Caudill <1 year

#### Fiscal

Sheila Metzger 21 years Marci Kopp 19 years

#### Administration

Sharlene Neumann 39 years
Lori Bedson 22 years
Jason Mcmanes 21 years
Carmen Torrence 19 years

### **Part-Time Staff**

Debbie Conklin 8 years

## Senator Mark Romanchuk Representing District 22



Thank you for being our voice in Columbus and taking the time to understand our local social service delivery system. Most importantly, your availability to listen and take action has been outstanding.

# Representative Marilyn John Representing District 2









## **Board of Commissioners**



A special thank you for your support and guidance this past year. You are the real deal.



Tony Vero Darrell Banks Cliff Mears