

2014

Report to the Community

Lucas County Board of

Developmental Disabilities

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ith this Annual Report, the Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities wants to recognize the ongoing support from Lucas County voters to ensure that people with developmental disabilities have the same opportunities and life experiences as everyone else. More than five-thousand individuals received services and support from the Board in 2014.

A statement from the Board this past year reinforced a commitment to the belief that the individuals it serves have a right to shape their own futures. That means they should have choice – choice in where they live, work, and socialize.

In reflecting back on 2014, we find several noteworthy activities reinforcing that concept and our partnerships with the community:

- The Board maintained its commitment to Governor Kasich's Employment First Initiative – to open options for individuals to be employed in the community. But, Lott Industries will remain a valuable alternative for those who might not be able to secure, or want to secure, jobs in the community.
- A new hydrostripping process developed by Lott Industries and the City of Toledo will rehabilitate signage. This environmentally-friendly process is expected to reduce costs to the city by 25 percent.
- More and more the artists of the Shared Lives Studio are being recognized as noteworthy members of the local art scene with their artwork on display at the Toledo Zoo, Toledo-Lucas County Public Library, and WinterFest.
- Self-advocacy was evident when Tyler Wiley convinced the Toledo Board of Education to allow individuals with developmental disabilities free access to sporting events.
- The Board joined the County Commissioners, the sheriff, TARTA and other agencies on a special task force to fight human trafficking.
- The Ohio Department of DD surveyed the operations of the Lucas County Board and found the Board had achieved substantial compliance... and became fully accredited. In a letter to Board President Mark Frye, DODD Director John Martin wrote, "The Board members and staff are to be commended for the efforts necessary to achieve this status."
- The Board provided a \$14 million match to draw down \$38 million in federal dollars to fund supports and services in the community, not only by the Board but also by more than 300 licensed Medicaid service providers, thus allowing more individuals to be served.

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2014 Cash Receipts

Local Taxes	66%
Federal Funds	17%
State Funds	17%



2014 Direct Service Expenditures

Medicaid Match	29%
Direct Service	71%



2014 Expenditures

Direct Service	89%
Administration	8%
Quality Assurance	2%



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