

PICKAWAY COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES



2008 ANNUAL REPORT

Our Mission Statement

“Through leadership and partnering with our community, we assist and encourage the people of Pickaway County to become safe, stable, healthy and self-sufficient individuals and families with opportunities for growth. We do this by exploring their strengths and needs and providing quality services.”



CHILDREN SERVICES

Pickaway County Children Services works to ensure that all children live in safe and stable homes. Our goals are to preserve and strengthen families and to prevent child abuse and neglect. Usually, services are provided to a family with the child remaining in the home. However, if necessary, a child may be removed from the home temporarily and placed with a relative or in foster care. We then require the family to follow a court ordered plan to reduce risk factors and improve family well-being.

Children, no matter what age, need a sense of belonging. Knowing that you have a family and a place to go is critical for healthy growth and development. If you would like to join us in our efforts to provide safe and stable homes for children, contact us about becoming a foster or adoptive parent.

2008 Highlights:

- Participant on the Ohio Summit on Children
- Celebrated Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month with 414 pinwheels
- Hosted Child Abuse recognition training for Community Leaders
- Reduced the number of children in foster care by linking families with in-home services

ADULT AND FAMILY SERVICES

The Adult and Family Services Division offers financial and supportive assistance to families and adults through services including Ohio Works First, Prevention, Retention, and Contingency program, Food Assistance, Medicaid, Child Care, Adult Protective Services, Customer Service, and Network Administration. These services and programs help families and adults to become stable and self-sufficient.

2008 Highlights:

- The Family Support Division improved the Food Assistance error rate to 0.93% for Federal Fiscal Year 2008.
- The Family Support Division implemented the new Medicaid Buy-In Program for working people with disabilities (MBIWD)



JOBS ONE-STOP

The JOBS One-Stop partners which include the JOBS One-Stops in Fairfield and Ross Counties, assist employers who are seeking qualified applicants for job openings and assist people who are seeking work, looking for better jobs, or in need of training.

2008 Highlights:

- Website www.pickawayjobs.com had over 152,780 job seeker visits
- Over 700 job seekers utilized the enhanced website section allowing them to create and maintain their own resumes from any computer anywhere. We currently have 1,098 created on this website.
- Currently 80 employers are registered to utilize the self service portion of the website which allows them to create and maintain their own job postings at no cost. Currently 878 jobs have been posted on the website.
- JOBS One-Stop had 13,040 visitors in 2008
- 153 people received training assistance

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



The Pickaway County Job and Family Services is county administered and funded through a combination of Federal, State and County Government allocations. The Administration Division acts as the financial authority, overseeing all financial operations for the Agency. In addition, we help to ensure the Agency maintains a high degree of excellence by working very closely with agency and state staff as well as county and state auditors.

2008 Highlights

- Finalized and implemented the Agencies new Procurement Plan
- Created an Acquisitions Standards and Guideline Book for the Agency
- Successfully switched over to the state's new County Finance Information System(CFIS). CFIS integrates local reporting in the State's OAKS reporting system.

STATISTICS

Children Services	2006	2007	2008
Children Served	559	596	411
Children in Foster Care	22	20	30
Children Adopted	5	1	3
Pickaway County Foster Homes	22	21	19
Child Support	2006	2007	2008
Child Support Collected and Distributed	\$8,800,580	\$8,824,492	\$9,005,267
Paternities Established	92	88	129
Support Orders Established	172	174	153
Cases	3,698	3,695	3,743
Family Support (Avg. Monthly)	2006	2007	2008
Ohio Works First (Families)	375	331	394
Food Stamps (Families)	2,130	2,185	2,392
Medicaid (Families)	5,096	5,106	5,309
Disability Cash (Individuals)	56	74	95
Disability Medical (Individuals)	18	11	10
Child Care (Families)	157	162	160
Adult Protective Services (Investigations)	10	11	10
Benefit Recovery (Investigations)	17	20	20
Certified Child Care (Homes)	14	14	13
Providers (Centers)	14	15	12
JOBS One-Stop	2006	2007	2008
Jobs Seekers Visiting the Resource Center	16,598	14,332	13,040
Work Activity Orientation Sessions for Public Assistance Individuals	1,317	1,399	2,066
Persons in Training (Avg. Monthly)	21	16	67

SFY 08 Expenditures SFY'08

Admin. & Operating Expenses

Income Maintenance/Public Assistance	\$ 2,771,094.70
Child Support	\$ 964,757.33
Social Services	\$ 416,582.19
Child Welfare	\$ 1,290,844.85
Workforce Investment Act	\$ 420,306.30

Assistance Expenditures

Ohio Works First	\$ 1,587,607.00
Foster Care	\$ 444,958.50
Adoption	\$ 74,363.08
Disability Cash	\$ 148,265.00
Disability Medical	\$ 79,016.18
Food Stamps	\$ 6,173,672.00
Medicaid Transportation	\$ 227,166.28
Prevention, Retention & Contingency	\$ 143,242.87
Child Care	\$ 687,145.75
Medicaid	\$ 43,881,207.00
Nursing Homes	\$ 8,594,520.00
Workforce Investment Act/Training Assistance	\$ 380,460.15
	\$ 68,285,209.18

CHILD SUPPORT



The Child Support Division encourages parents to take responsibility and make a difference in the lives of their children by ensuring all children are supported financially by both parents. The receipt of Child Support helps families to provide basic living expenses such as food and shelter, which can alleviate dependence on public assistance programs. Child Support provides services to establish paternity, establish child support and medical support orders, locate non-custodial parents, enforce child and medical support orders, review and adjustment of orders and track child support collections and disbursements of child support obligations.

2008 Highlights:

- Early intervention strategies including working with the courts and Jobs One- Stop to help non-custodial parents find and maintain employment
- Hosted open house during Child Support Awareness Month
- Successfully implemented cash medical support
- Collected over \$9,000,000.00 in child support
- Over \$800,000.00 was collected as a result of federal and state tax offset
- Over \$27,515 in child support was collected thru seizing and freezing bank accounts
- 1142 cases were referred to legal for court action; 16 of them for criminal non-support



Pickaway County Commissioners

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PCJFS Leadership Team

Rojanne Woodward, Director
Rhonda Hoffman, Administrator Administration/Interim Child Support
JoEllen Deal, Administrator Children Services
Janice Shannon, Administrator JOBS One-Stop
Joy Ewing, Administrator Family Support

Family Services Planning Committee

Don Bachman, Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church
Patrina Queen, Southeastern Ohio Legal Services
Dave Hannahs, Executive Director, Pickaway County Community Action
Connie Knapp, Caseworker, Pickaway County Job & Family Services
Danielle Brust, Community Representative

Area 20 Workforce Investment Board

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Bill Arnett, Fairfield County Economic Development
Don Bradley, Constance Care Home Healthcare
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Doug Corcoran, Ross County Commissioner
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Stacey Howard, Westerman Companies
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Mike Linton, Staffing Leadership
Brad Markwood, South Central Power
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Sharon Moles, Ohio Department of Job & Family Services
Susie Natoli, State Farm Insurance
David Polk, Horizon Telecom Inc.
Tim Randel, Manpower
Linda Shimp, YSK Corporation
Judith Shupe, Fairfield County Commissioners
Lynn Tramontano, Fairfield County MRDD
Suzanne Welker, Berger Health System
Rojanne Woodward, Pickaway County Job & Family Services

JOBS One-Stop Partners

Eastland—Fairfield Career & Technical Schools
Fairfield County Adult Basic Literacy
Fairfield County Job & Family Services
Ohio Department of Jobs & Family Services
Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission
Pickaway County Adult Basic Literacy Education (ABLE)
Pickaway County Job & Family Services
Pickaway—Ross Career and Technology Center
Ross County Adult Basic Literacy Education (ABLE)
Ross County Job & Family Services
Veteran's Administration Vocational Rehabilitation

FROM THE DIRECTOR.....

It seems that each year Pickaway County Job and Family Services (PCJFS) is faced with more and more people needing our services. 2008 was no exception and unfortunately funding did not keep pace with the increased demand. In fact, we suffered several rounds of cuts in our funding from the 2007 levels and have had to reduce staffing. However, PCJFS continued to deliver services to individuals, children and families to the highest extent possible, given our resources.

We have found it increasingly important to partner with other community agencies and organizations to help meet the increasing demands. We are thankful for the many strong partnerships that exist in this county to help adults, children, and families. In addition to collaborations with many individual agencies and organizations, we participated in the following group collaborations.

Summit on Children
Family and Children First Council
Faith Based and Community Group Summit
Pickaway Competitiveness Network
Pickaway Progress Partnership
Higher Education Learning Partners for Success
Workforce Development Area 20 partnership with Fairfield and Ross Counties
Community Resource Workshops
Homelessness Continuum of Care
Transit Advisory Committee
Conversations on Poverty

These kinds of collaborations show that we have a caring community willing to work together to meet the needs of our residents. I am confident that in this time when the demand for services is greatest, Pickaway County Job and Family Services along with our partners in the county will work diligently to take care of the many people needing our help. I thank our partners and our staff for their commitment and passion to serve.

Rojanne Woodward
Director



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