

CHILDREN SERVICES

COUNT ON US FOR CHILD SAFETY...

2005 meant stabilized homes and permanent, loving families for six wonderful children that were adopted. Three girls and three boys, ranging in ages from three years to nine years of age no longer live with the fear of not knowing in whose home they will be sleeping tonight. Our sincerest appreciation goes out to the special adoptive parents!

Sadly, in 2005, we continued to see a trend in reported child sexual abuse occurrences throughout the county. In 2005, the Pickaway County Sex Abuse Task Force, comprised of the Pickaway County Prosecutor's Office, Pickaway County Children Services, Pickaway County Sheriff's Department, and law enforcement received a total of 45 cases of alleged child sexual abuse. Of those cases, criminal charges were filed in 23 of the cases, with a total of 21 persons convicted of the offenses (19 male and 2 female). Of the individuals convicted, all were family members or family friends to the victim; there were no instances of a stranger being the perpetrator.

Thank you. I loved all the presents, especially from someone who did not have to give it to me.

Thank you so much, Emily. Without you, where would I be.

PARTNERSHIP

COUNT ON A COMMUNITY OF SUPPORT...

Partnering with our community is a vital component of our mission as well as our success assisting the needs of our community. Throughout the year, we worked with countless agencies, councils, organizations, departments, churches, businesses, boards, committees, task forces, and advisory councils, to address the needs of the community and work towards improving the lives of our residents. A major community activity is the Faith Based and Community Summits, which have evolved to identify initiatives involving strong partnerships-an example of community collaboration at its best.

I am writing to let you personally know the satisfaction our organization has working with your staff. On a daily basis, we have the opportunity to interact with a very dedicated, dynamic, and talented team.

Our Mission

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 to provide quality services.

Quotes taken from thank you notes received by PCJFS

ADULT AND FAMILY SERVICES

COUNT ON US IN TIMES OF CRISIS...

2005 brought its share of disasters and emergencies across the nation. Pickaway County was no exception to that with a Winter ice storm and severe flooding early in the year. We were fortunate to be able to assist 28 families with individual needs resulting from the ice storm and flooding, totaling over \$30,000. In addition, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita had far reaching effects across the nation, and we were quick to respond to families and adults coming to the county for shelter and assistance. Six evacuee families were helped with special assistance through our Local Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) program, as well as state and federal funding, to help with shelter and other emergency needs.

With over 95 medical insurance plans to choose from, to assist our elderly citizens understand and sort out their Medicare choices, PCJFS sponsored an enrollment and information fair. Staff and other community partners helped people to complete forms and to enter their information into the Medicare webpage. Staff continued to assist people throughout the enrollment period to understand their options and to choose a plan. In addition, after coverage became effective, special assistance was made available to resolve issues with pharmacies and insurance companies.

PCJFS received honors at a Quality Performance Conference in November, being recognized as only one of only six counties in Ohio to have a 100 percent accuracy rate in administering the Food Stamp program.

I just want to express to you what a wonderful help Don was to us. He was most gracious in answering our questions and in helping us to understand, at a time when our heads were already full.

It was my privilege to sit in on a face to face interview with Joy and a gentlemen who easily becomes overwhelmed...It is rare to find someone ... with such compassion.

Michelle, I just wanted to thank you for all the help that you and the office provided for me and my husband and the chance that you gave our little one on the way.

CHILD SUPPORT

COUNT ON US FOR FINANCIAL STABILITY...

Continuing to build on early intervention strategies was a focus of the Child Support Division in 2005. Through continued cooperation with the Pickaway County Courts, enhancement of our Seek Work Program evolved. Unemployed obligors appearing in court, due to non payment of child support, are ordered by the Courts to attend various classes and receive coaching by employment counselors at our JOBS One-Stop. The goal is to break down barriers to employment and assist them in finding employment.

Another strategy was developed to educate both parties to a child support case on what their individual responsibilities are and the responsibilities of the agency. A comprehensive packet of specific child support information was developed, which is provided to both parties at all administrative and judicial hearings when the child support order is initially established. The packet is designed to help parties understand the process and inform them of how they can find resources and assistance when needed.

Teryl, Thank you for calling back so quickly and for all your help.

Lisa, you are awesome.

JOBS One-Stop

COUNT ON US FOR EMPLOYMENT RESOURCES...

2005 brought with it a move of the JOBS One-Stop to our current location at 1080 U.S. 22 West, providing needed expansion of our facilities, allowing greater access for job seekers and employers.

The JOBS One-Stop became certified by the State of Ohio, allowing us special funding, specifically for marketing of the JOBS One-Stop and to enhance our resource room capabilities. The job seeker resource room is now equipped with ten computer work stations, including an ADA workstation for persons hearing or visually impaired, as well as many job seeker supplies including resume paper, reference materials, and a copier for job seeker use. To enhance marketing of the JOBS One-Stop, www.pickawayjobs.com was introduced, a vital resource for job seekers and employers alike. The website posts available jobs for local employers (free of charge), offers the availability for job seekers to search employment opportunities from anywhere, and also provides information on our partners to help clients locate other resources to assist them.

Just wanted to say thank you very much for everything the JOBS One-Stop did for us during our most recent search for a mechanic... It was all handled in a very timely and efficient manner...The results identified two candidates that we believe will be very successful.

Carla was very understanding, helped a lot to keep my confidence for my dream job I just started.

Christy is very caring and treated my kids very well. Roxan is so helpful in the resource room.

2005 STATISTICS

	2003	2004	2005
Children Services	737	657	693
Children Served	19	41	28
Children in Foster Care	2	0	6
Children Adopted	13	15	24

	2003	2004	2005
Child Support	\$8,602,333	\$8,848,837	\$8,923,956
Child Support Collected and Distributed	76	52	107
Paternalities Established	173	144	199
Support Orders Established	3,250	3,386	3,598

	2003	2004	2005
Family Support (Avg. Monthly)	352	409	402
Ohio Works First (Families)	1,735	1,919	2,008
Food Stamps (Families)	4,300	4,605	4,849
Medicaid (Families)	53	44	42
Disability Cash (Individuals)	82	55	33
Disability Medical (Individuals)	153	129	128
Child Care (Families)	11	8	7
Adult Protective Services (Investigations)	20	32	27
Benefit Recovery (Investigations)	24	14	13
Certified Child Care (Homes)	12	14	14
Providers (Centers)			

	2003	2004	2005
JOBS One-Stop	7,219	6,738	11,617
Job Seekers Visiting the Resource Center	1,680 (est)	1,949	1,209
Work Activity Orientation Sessions for Public Assistance Individuals	51	133	54
Persons in Training			

Expenditures SFY 2005

Expenditures	SFY 2005
Admin. & Operating Expenses	
Income Maintenance/Public Assistance	\$2,819,275
Child Support	999,919
Social Services	441,878
Child Welfare	1,123,301
Workforce Investment Act	154,787
Reed Act	47,111
Assistance Expenditures	
Ohio Works First	3,511,930
Foster Care	315,821
Adoption	48,139
Disability Cash	83,483
Disability Medical	287,591
Food Stamps	4,969,839
Medicaid Transportation	41,088
Prevention, Retention & Contingency	171,753
Disaster Assistance	33,105
Child Care	448,481
Medicaid	44,367,667
Nursing Homes	10,120,430
Workforce Investment Act/Training Assistance	556,141
Total	\$70,541,747

