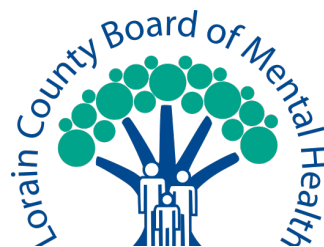




Informe a la Comunidad

2018

COMMUNITY REPORT



**BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH CELEBRATES
50 YEARS OF SERVING OUR COMMUNITY**

The Lorain County Board of Mental Health plans, funds, and monitors a system of quality public mental health services that enhance the health and well-being of the people of Lorain County.

A citizen Board of 18 community members determines services to be provided and funded based on state requirements and community needs. Board members monitor funding and evaluation of public services. Private, not-for-profit, and independent agencies are contracted by the Lorain County Board of Mental Health to provide an array of mental health services. Services include counseling, psychiatry, prevention, peer-to-peer support, crisis intervention, housing, as well as consultation, and community and vocational support.

This is the Board's 50th year of serving the community.

Proclamation from the Ohio Senate **Honoring the Lorain County Board of Mental Health** **on its Semicentennial**

On behalf of the members of the Senate of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, we are pleased to congratulate the Lorain County Board of Mental Health on the memorable occasion of its Fiftieth Anniversary, celebrated May 31, 2018.

Recognition of this prestigious milestone is a fitting tribute to the Lorain County Board of Mental Health, for throughout the past five decades, it has attained a remarkable record of service to residents in need. The accomplishments of this fine agency are a justifiable source of pride and an outstanding reflection not only on the organization itself but also on the astute management of its board members, on its hard-working staff and volunteers, on its collaborating partners, and on the communities it benefits.

Through its tremendous efforts to ensure the well-being of area residents, the Lorain County Board of Mental Health has enhanced the quality of life for innumerable individuals, and its generous contributions have earned it the gratitude and respect of many. We are certain that as this worthy endeavor maintains its dedication to its mission, it will continue in the tradition of excellence that has long been its hallmark.

Thus, with sincere pleasure, we applaud the Lorain County Board of Mental Health on its Fiftieth Anniversary and extend best wishes for ongoing success.

Signed

Senator Larry Obhof
President of the Ohio Senate

Senator Gayle Manning
Majority Whip



Letter to the Community

Dear Neighbors,

The mission of the Board of Mental Health is to reach out to people with mental illness, reach out to their families, reach out to the community that surrounds them, with hope, compassionate care, and services that meet their mental health needs. The mission is the most important thing, and for me, the mission is why I volunteer my time to this terrific group of people and services.

As a retired educator, I have seen the need for social and emotional health services for children, alongside support for their families and their schools. I am glad that we reach out to provide training, education, and support to schools, and also to community members and first responders. We are all the front line when it comes to helping our neighbors who may be struggling with mental illness.

I look at the amazing staff of the Board and its provider agencies, their cooperative spirit, their community-minded dedication, and feel proud.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Mother Teresa, wrote words that inspire my service: "At the end of life we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, how many great things we have done. We will be judged by 'I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless and you took me in.'"

Thank you for your ongoing support. The work of the Lorain County Board of Mental Health is supported primarily by local funding through the mental health levy.



Debra Singleton
Board Chair

Debra Singleton has dedicated five years of volunteer leadership to the local mental health network, and currently serves as Chair of the Lorain County Board of Mental Health. A Lorain County resident for more than 40 years, she currently resides in Grafton, Ohio.

Our Reach

In 2018, we experienced a record number of supporters speaking out for mental health care, at the ballot box, in classes and at events, and by connecting loved ones to needed care.

Thank you for engaging in mental health care, and helping provide a joyful, stable future for Lorain County residents.



9,382 Adults

In Fiscal Year 2018, our mental health network served 9,382 adults. Though we cannot calculate the number of neighbors, family members, friends, and loved ones who made that care even more successful, we appreciate your efforts each day.



3,228 Children

In 2018, our mental health network served 3,228 children, inside and outside of school. School personnel at all levels, plus parents and neighbors, are recognizing the importance of mental health for our youngsters, and taking action to learn how to help.



18,071 Crisis Calls

Our 24/7 Mental Health Crisis Hotline took 18,071 calls, for intervention, or to provide advice or connections to peer support. Crisis Text Line received 353 texts from Lorain County. Our Navigator took 715 calls to connect residents to their best and most readily available mental health service option.

Mental Health Crisis Hotline
1-800-888-6161

Crisis Text Line
4HOPE to 741741

Non-Emergency Navigator
440-240-7025

En 2018, realizamos un número récord de simpatizantes que votaron por apoyar la atención de salud mental, participaron en clases y en eventos, y conectaron a sus seres queridos con la atención necesaria. Gracias por participar en la atención de salud mental y por ayudar a proporcionar un futuro alegre y estable para los residentes del Condado de Lorain.

Este año, la LCBMH atendió a 9,382 adultos y 3,228 niños. Nosotros respondimos a 18,071 llamadas telefónicas de emergencia. Enseñamos clases para 753 residentes y 971 profesionales, y la gente votó "¡Sí!" por el impuesto a la salud mental.

Counts may include some duplication. For example, the same person might have attended both a Mental Health First Aid class, and a suicide prevention class, and was counted twice, or called the hotline multiple times. We strive for unduplicated counts whenever possible. Also, numbers may be rounded or estimated or missing some unknown information, and may not always equal 100%.

We celebrate 50 years of serving the community

50 years ago, nine people gathered in an office on Broad Street in Elyria, Ohio, to commence a local mental health system. The meeting took less than an hour, but launched a public mental health network that now serves thousands of adults and children each year.

Our Board of Mental Health began in Fiscal Year 1968, enacted by legislation on October 26, 1967, with that first face-to-face local meeting on June 3, 1968. This year, we celebrate our 50th anniversary of serving the residents of Lorain County.



257 Hours of Professional Development

Clinical staff, as well as law enforcement and school staff, benefit from our professional trainings. In 2018, we reached 971 professionals.



147 Hours of Community Education

We offer suicide prevention education, as well as Mental Health First Aid, for any interested community member. In 2018, 753 residents took advantage of free educational classes or events.



Voter Support

Voters in the May 2018 election in Lorain County supported the mental health care levy with a 74.4% approval rating. That number is unprecedented in our Board history and surpasses the approval ratings of other similar levies statewide.



“The millisecond my hands hit the rail, it was an instant regret.”

Kevin Hines chose to live—one moment too late. He attempted to take his own life by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. He survived. Now, he is a leading suicide prevention advocate and powerful speaker on mental wellness.

Kevin helped us celebrate our 50-year anniversary by sharing his story of hope, resilience, and recovery at our Annual Meeting on May 31, 2018.

Financial Statement

Estado financiero | 1 de Julio del 2017 – 30 de Junio del 2018

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

**Medicaid and Non-Medicaid Clients
in Our Network of Providers**

**Includes Consultation, Education, and Prevention
Services for Youth**

Clientela con Medicaid y sin Medicaid

**9,382 adults
3,228 children**

Who Was Served



Where We Invested

Residential: 27.3%

Prevention: 4.7%

Crisis Services: 23.2%

Inpatient: 2.3%

**Case Management:
11.2%**

Vocational: 1.8%

Counseling: 9.2%

Psychiatry: 1.8%

Medication: 8.6%

Peer Services: 1.5%

**Other Mental Health:
7.4%**

**Mental Health
Assessment: 1%**

Recursos Proveídos: Servicios Residenciales, Servicios para los que están en Crisis, Psiquiatría, Administración de Casos, Consejería, Servicios de Camaradas, Prevención, Medicación, Servicios para pacientes hospitalizados, Servicios Vocacionales, Otros Servicios de Salud Mental, Evaluación de Salud Mental

Revenues

Ingresos



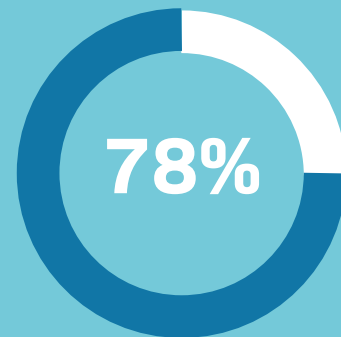
**\$8,813,871
LOCAL SOURCES**
Local



**\$1,683,189
STATE SOURCES**
Estado



**\$762,710
FEDERAL SOURCES**
Federal



**of operating budget
comes from local support**

Who Provided Care

Funded Agencies

Applewood Centers
Beech Brook
Bellefaire JCB
Big Brother Big Sisters
Catholic Charities
El Centro de Servicios Sociales
Far West Center
Firelands Counseling Center
Gathering Hope House
Lucy Idol Center
Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry
NAMI of Lorain County
Neighborhood Alliance
New Sunrise Properties
The Nord Center
OhioGuidestone
Pathways Counseling
Safe Harbor, Inc.

“Mental health care has advanced alongside community understanding of mental illness over our 50 year history. I am thankful for the clinical providers and staff at the agencies who do this work every day, the leaders on our Board who drive the vision and plan, and members of the public who repeatedly show their support for mental health care.”

— Dr. Kathleen Kern

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YEAR
ANNIVERSARY

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Members and staff during FY18