



Hancock County ADAMHS Board Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Report

Mission Statement:

“To create an environment that brings hope and improves the quality of life for persons affected by mental illness and substance use and promote wellness and recovery.”

Fiscal Year 2025 Board Members

Jim Darrach, DC, Chair

*Ohio Department of Mental Health
and Addiction Services Appointment*

Mary Beth Dillon, Vice Chair

Hancock County Commissioners Appointment

Hancock County Commissioner Appointments

Melanie Aldobaiki*

Dave Beach*

Susan Bunn

Brandon Daniels

John Drymon

Rick Eakin

Joe Loy

Retired Judge Joseph Niemeyer

James Stahl

Rick Walter

Aaron Weare*

Ann Woolum

*Ohio Department of Mental Health
and Addiction Services Appointments*

Joshua Eberle

Rachael Helms

Cheryl Lentz

Steve Miller

Micah Zinna*

* served partial term

Fiscal Year 2025 Board Staff

Precia Stuby

Executive Director

Jennifer Swartzlander

Deputy Director

Rob Verhoff

Fiscal Director

Cheryl Preston

Executive Administration & Operations Director

Deborah Twining

Property Manager

Zachary Thomas

Director of Wellness and Education

Steve Dillon

Public Information/Health Promotion Coordinator

Amy Beach

Administrative Assistant



A Letter from Our Board Chair

As we look back on Fiscal Year 2025, it stands out as a year marked by both deep pride and undeniable uncertainty. The growing demand for behavioral health services—set against a backdrop of tightening financial resources—has challenged us to think creatively and act decisively. Yet even amid these complexities, Hancock County has remained a beacon of compassion and innovation, consistently putting people and their needs first.

It's important to pause and recognize several remarkable achievements that exemplify our community's resilience and commitment:

- **Low Barrier Shelter Initiative** In collaboration with The City Mission, Family Resource Center, and the Unhoused Coalition, Hancock County ADAMHS secured a federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to establish a Low Barrier Shelter for individuals experiencing homelessness. This shelter offers overnight emergency accommodations for adults aged 18 and older, along with vital connections to behavioral health services—ensuring that no one is left behind.
- **FOCUS Recovery & Wellness Center and The LOFT** FOCUS Recovery & Wellness Center continues to be a pillar of support for youth and adults pursuing recovery. Their outreach efforts and peer-led programming foster meaningful connections and lasting change. This year, The LOFT, having secured a state capital grant, will expand into a new space adjacent to Martha's House and across from Glenwood Middle School—an exciting development that will allow for even greater impact.
- **Family Resource Center (FRC)** FRC remains a leader in delivering comprehensive mental health and substance use services. Its innovative outreach programs have earned national recognition, including the prestigious 2025 Star Organization Award from the National Training & Technical Assistance Center for Child, Youth, & Family Mental Health (NTTAC) for excellence in youth and family services under the System of Care Grant—the highest honor awarded to grantees in this category.
- **OhioGuidestone and NAMI** These trusted partners continue to provide high-quality treatment and support services, helping to expand access to care for residents across Hancock County.

While we celebrate these successes, we must also confront the growing pressures on local resources. Reductions in federal and state funding, coupled with uncertainty surrounding proposed property tax legislation in Ohio, pose real challenges to sustaining our work. The Hancock County ADAMHS Board is actively exploring every avenue to maximize efficiency and effectiveness, ensuring that we remain steadfast in our mission.

We are committed to being responsible stewards of public trust and to delivering evidence-based prevention, treatment, and recovery services that meet the evolving needs of our community. We believe that local challenges demand local solutions—and that the voice of our community must always guide our path forward.

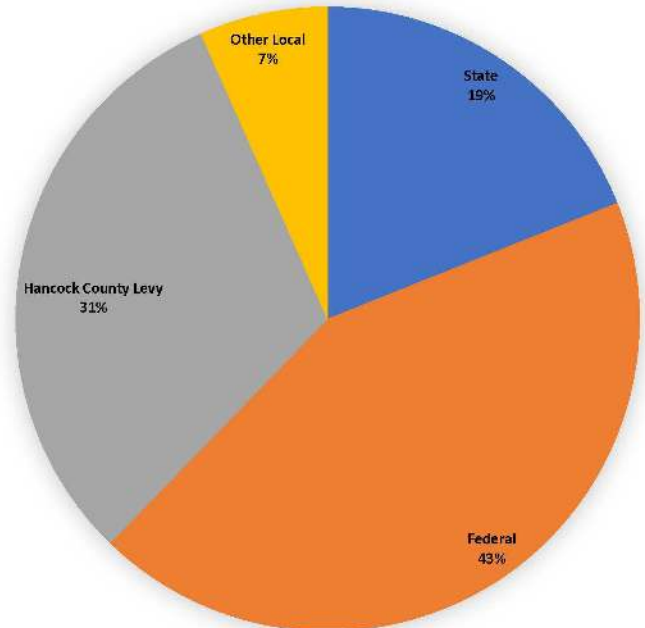
With gratitude to all who work or volunteer on behalf of the mental health system,

Jim Darrach, DC

Chair, Hancock County ADAMHS Board

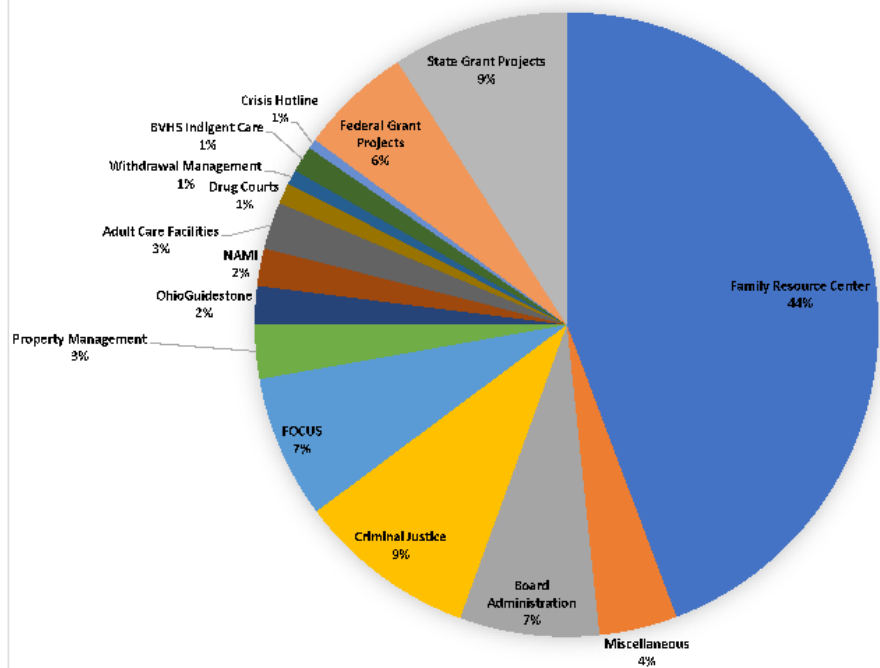
REVENUE—FISCAL YEAR 2025

State	\$1,752,074.00
Federal	\$4,006,978.00
Hancock County Levy	\$2,873,949.00
Other Local Revenue	\$ 615,596.93
TOTAL	\$9,248,597.93



EXPENDITURES—FISCAL YEAR 2025

Family Resource Center	\$4,288,469.58
Criminal Justice	\$ 895,711.32
State Grant Projects	\$ 881,775.07
FOCUS	\$ 717,221.70
Board Administration	\$ 700,474.67
Federal Grant Projects	\$ 562,775.30
Miscellaneous	\$ 392,112.00
Property Management	\$ 274,037.31
Adult Care Facilities	\$ 236,192.56
OhioGuidestone	\$ 188,821.22
NAMI	\$ 188,349.54
BVHS Indigent Care	\$ 132,000.00
Drug Courts	\$ 105,000.00
Withdrawal Management	\$ 73,200.00
Crisis Hotline	\$ 48,750.00
TOTAL	\$9,684,890.27



Fiscal Year 2025 Major Contract Agencies

Family Resource Center Crisis Intervention, Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Counseling, School-Based Services, Youth and Adult Prevention Education, Specialized Criminal Justice Services

FOCUS Recovery & Wellness Community: Youth and Adult Recovery Support, Peer Support, Recovery Housing

NAMI Hancock County: Mental Health Education and Support, Peer to Peer, Family to Family, YouthMOVE

OhioGuidestone: Outpatient Addiction Treatment, Medication Assisted Treatment, Outpatient Mental Health Treatment

Annually, the System of Care Grant (SOC) awards mini-grants (up to \$5,000.00) to community organizations that seek to implement programs that exemplify the Youth & Protective Factors (social connections, concrete supports, adolescent development, social-emotional and cognitive competencies, and resilience). Priority is given to schools that seek to implement or sustain programs and activities that support military-connected youth and families. Liberty-Benton Local Schools' Support Our Soldiers (S.O.S.) was a recipient of a mini-grant in Fiscal Year 2025. We celebrate their accomplishments.

★ Liberty-Benton Support Our Soldiers ★

WE ARE A STUDENT LED ACTION TEAM AT LIBERTY-BENTON HIGH SCHOOL. WE AS A GROUP STRIVE TO ACHIEVE OUR MISSION STATEMENT, "OUR S.O.S. GROUP HONORS AND SUPPORTS ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED OR WHO ARE CURRENTLY SERVING AND THEIR FAMILIES. WE WILL SERVE AS THE SUPPORTING GROUP FOR THE LB PURPLE STAR INITIATIVE." WE FOCUS ON SERVING THE MILITARY COMMUNITY AND MILITARY-CONNECTED STUDENTS BY PROVIDING SUPPORT THROUGH SERVICE PROJECTS AND EVENTS.



PURPLE UP CELEBRATION
The S.O.S. group planned a celebration for our Purple Star Military-connected students. The students received free t-shirts, a luncheon and an afternoon of inflatables and fun!



VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST AND ASSEMBLY

THE S.O.S. GROUP PLANNED A BREAKFAST AND ASSEMBLY WITH OVER 325 VETERANS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. THE GROUP PROVIDED BREAKFAST AND PROFESSIONAL PICTURES FOR EACH VETERAN. WE THEN MOVED INTO AN ASSEMBLY WITH OVER 1,500 ATTENDEES.



PURPLE STAR NATIONAL CONVENTION
TWO OF OUR MEMBERS PRESENTED AT THE NATIONAL PURPLE STAR CONVENTION ON SEPTEMBER 24TH.

A member of the National Guard shared, "It was a great reminder of the firm support and care from Liberty-Benton School and the S.O.S. Program. Knowing that Liberty-Benton and the community back home was thinking of me, deployed personnel along with my family provided immense strength and encouragement that allowed me to think of mission and protecting our soldiers at hand."

A Liberty-Benton student shared, "[I] had not realized we had so many other families with military family members."

HANCOCK COUNTY SILENT WATCH

DURING A SILENT WATCH VOLUNTEERS STAND AT 'PARADE REST' FOR 22 MINUTE ROTATIONS TO BRING AWARENESS TO VETERAN SUICIDE. OUR MEMBERS STOOD WATCH FOR A TOTAL OF 44 MINUTES. THE PERSON WHO IS STANDING IS NOT ALLOWED TO SPEAK OR GESTURE TO ANYONE WHILE ON THEIR ROTATION.



SUPPORT OUR MILITARY ALUMNI

WE SENT CARDS, LETTERS AND CARE PACKAGES TO LB ALUMNI WHO ARE CURRENTLY DEPLOYED





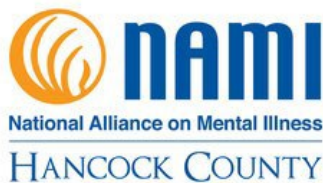
John Bindas, CEO, & Scott Lammers, System of Care Project Director Celebrate FRC'S Star Organization Award



Future home of The Loft—1908 N. Main St.



hancock county
community
partnership



**Hancock County
Community Coalition
on Addiction**