

Fiscal Year 2009

Tuscarawas County Job & Family Services
helps children, families, and adults achieve and maintain safety,
security, and self-sufficiency.

July 2008
through
June 2009

TCJFS Served 56,307 Citizens of Tuscarawas County
through our Reception Area

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

State Fiscal Year 2009 was a difficult year financially for a large number of families in Tuscarawas County. As families turned to Job & Family Services, we were able to assist them in meeting some of their basic needs such as food and medical. The Public Assistance caseloads grew by over 1,500 cases. A monthly average of 4,442 people came through reception during the year, with a record high of 6,352 people in September.

At the same time, our Children Services division began to see a reduced number of children in foster care, from 138 children in June 2008, to 96 children in June 2009. This reduction is a direct result of working a strategic plan with staff and community partners focusing on best practices, collaboration, the Alternative Response to child abuse/neglect investigations when appropriate, and finalization of adoptions.

The dedicated staff at Tuscarawas County Job & Family Services continued to provide exceptional services during this time of increased caseloads and budget reductions, along with staff turnover due to five retirements and four resignations.

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Tuscarawas County Job & Family Services works collaboratively with the community to better serve the children and families of Tuscarawas County. We thank our many partners who share in service to the people of our county.

As we enter into State Fiscal Year 2010, the caseloads continue to grow, and we face additional reductions in the budget. We are dedicated to continue to provide excellent services and to continue to collaborate with our local partners.

Lynn Angelozzi, Director



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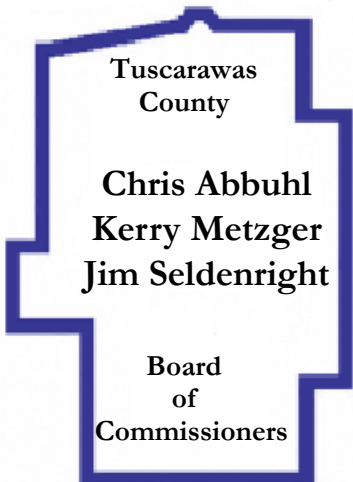
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Tuscarawas County Job & Family Services is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Service Provider. Services and Programs are provided on a non-discriminatory basis as required by civil rights legislation and as a result of our commitment to equal opportunity.

TUSCARAWAS COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES STAFF			
25 to 35 years	Lynn Angelozzi, B.S. Vickie Hykes	Jodi Ketchem R.J. McCullagh, Ph.D.	Becky Seefong
20 to 24 years	Elaine Affolter Brenda Bayer Roxy Carr	Sheryl Landis Char Shamel Diana Stewart, A.A.S.	Michelle Tope, B.A. Andrea White
15 to 19 years	Toni Anderson, B.A. Vickie Avon Vickie Beach Jesann Bowman, B.A. Janice Cheslock Susie Ellwood	Kathy Fisher, B.A., LSW Karen Frame Geoff Geers, B.A. Barb Gillaspie Tim Haswell, M.P.A., LSW, CWFI Teri Logan	Beth McConaha, B.A., LSW Vance Morris, A.A.B. Marcia Troyer Andrew Wing, B.A. Lisa Wodkowski, B.A., LSW Sandra Wood, B.S., LSW
10 to 14 years	Dorothy Anderson Joyce Barker Tammy Cairns Judy Goettge, B.S. Jerry Gyurko	David Haverfield, B.A., J.D. Joe Krockner, A.A.B. Chuck Laizure, A.A.S. Susan McCauley	Debbie Swier Jackie Tripp Joyce Volzer, B.S.W., M.A., LSW Gabrielle Weingarth, B.A.
5 to 9 years	Lisa Abbuhl Wilma Andreas Dave Baker Christine Beeman, B.S. Elizabeth Benedetto, B.S. Ryan Benedetto, B.A. Tommy Cannon, B.A. Jennifer Cargnel Beverly Gerber, B.A., LSW	Amy Grewell Shannon Gribble Jaime Grunder, B.A. Gayle Hahn, M.S.W., M.A.P.A., LISW-S Michelle Hunter George LeMay Cynthia McGuire, B.A. Pam Manbeck, A.A.B.	Kristi Masten, B.S. Linda Notz Joni St. Pierre Amy Shaw, A.B.A. Veronica Spidell, M.A.Ed., LPC Suzanne Trimmer Debra Whitney Janice Wimer, B.A.
0 to 4 years	Kari Abel Amy Adkins, A.A.S. Marci Breehl, A.T.S. Patricia Brooks Rachel Cannon, B.S. Barbara DeBord Stacey Dessecker, B.A. Anthony Eckert, A.A.B. Nancy Eddy, C.Ph.T., RHIT Rachel Fetty, A.A. Rebecca Goudy	Beth Guida, B.A. Katrina Hart Amber Hobart Jeffrey Kiggans, B.A., J.D. Ernie Kleski, B.A. Crystal Lawless, B.A. Susan Legg Deidra Lute, B.A. Erika Mathias, B.A. Nicole Peoples, B.S.S. Janet Porter	Mandy Prosser, M.A. Ed. Melissa Rainsberg, B.C.J. Robert Rectanus, B.A. Melinda Ricker Breanna Roahrig, B.A. Wendy Smitley Natalie Stephen, B.S. Elyssa Wanosik, B.S. Adam Wilson, B.S. Katherine Wilson, B.S. Tracy Wimer, A.A.B.



TCJFS Retirees: Andy Atkins, Cathy Belknap, Patti Bigler, Susan Corder, Kathy Stovicek

Tuscarawas County Planning Committee for Welfare Reform	
Lynn Angelozzi, TCJFS Cathy Belknap, TCJFS Robin Bowdish, Family and Children First Council Barbara Cascioli, The Employment Source Pat Comanitz, Kent State Tuscarawas Connie Finton, Community Member	Michael Harrington, SEOLS Dr. Paul Hickman, Buckeye Career Center Alison Kerns, United Way Chuck Lorenz, HARCATUS Jill McCartney, Tuscarawas Co. Chamber of Commerce Jim Seldenright, Tuscarawas County Commissioner

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Our Public Assistance Programs were administered by five Eligibility Referral Supervisors and forty-five Staff.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	
Medicaid	\$949,237.14
Food Stamps	\$907,088.08
HealthChek	\$24,358.75
Disability Assistance	\$7,888.31
Food Stamp Employment & Training	\$88,270.05
TANF	\$2,616,982.27
TOTAL	\$4,593,824.60

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)SERVICES	
Non-Emergency Transportation	\$558,408.43
Prevention, Retention, Contingency	\$830,287.43
TANF Transportation	\$263,466.87
Help Me Grow	\$509,182.15
TANF Independent Living	\$6,512.73
Student Intervention TANF Demo	\$70,608.87
TOTAL	\$2,238,466.48

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE-ISSUED BENEFITS		LOCAL	STATE	FEDERAL
Ohio Works First (OWF) Cases	\$ 1,668,848	6.00%	44.00%	50.00%
OWF Work Allowance	\$ 25,408	6.00%	44.00%	50.00%
OWF Other Medical	\$27,344,701		50.00%	50.00%
Medicaid Payments	\$64,580,985		50.00%	50.00%
Food Stamps	\$ 14,065,402			100.00%
Disability Assistance	\$ 183,380	25.00%	75.00%	
Disability Ability (DA) Medical	\$ 53,134	25.00%	75.00%	
TOTAL	\$107,921,858			

LOCAL15 %
STATE	56.41 %
FEDERAL	43.44 %

PREVENTION, RETENTION, AND CONTINGENCY (PRC)

	<u>Clients Served</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
Utilities	898	\$296,271.27
Shelter	268	\$210,515.47
Car Repairs	253	\$149,409.91
Car Purchase	38	\$ 64,400.00
Clothing	13	\$ 1,200.00
Household Expense .	15	\$ 6,120.22
Education	10	\$ 2,000.00
Job Related	5	\$ 1,070.00
Diversion	34	\$ 43,920.00
TOTAL		\$774,906.87

AVERAGE NUMBER OF MONTHLY CASES BY PROGRAM

Ohio Works First	386
Disability Assistance	121
Family Medical Cases	4004
Medicaid	2792
Public Assistance Food Stamp	1524
Non-Public Assistance Food Stamp	2813
Child Care Cases	353
Number of Children in Child Care	665
Adult Protective Service Complaints	16
FRAUD Complaints/Investigations for FY 2009	
OWF	14
Disability Assistance	4

The Agency Director and Administrative Assistant, an Operations Manager and nine Staff, and a Fiscal Supervisor and five Staff work to manage and provide supportive services for this double-combined agency.

Families involved with Child Protective Services were served by a Department Head, one Legal Supervisor, four Social Service Supervisors, one Attorney, and twenty-eight Staff.

Protecting Children, Promoting Families

Child Protective Services

Investigations—535 (involved 955 children)

Neglect	313
Sexual Abuse.....	84
Physical Abuse.....	81
Emotional Abuse.....	46
Dependency	11

Families in Need of Services (FINS)

51 Cases (involving 138 children)

FINS is available to families who initiate the contact for help to prevent circumstances that could lead to abuse, neglect, or dependency issues for their children.

Alternative Response (AR)

54 Control Cases (Traditional Response)

70 Experimental Cases

AR is a Child Protective Services approach piloted in Tuscarawas and nine other Ohio counties. A random sample of families is selected to be more closely involved in the decision-making process to help their children remain safe while keeping families together.

Ongoing Case Management Services

<i>Average Number</i> Ongoing Court-Involved Cases.....	99 Cases
<i>Average Number</i> Ongoing Non-Court Cases	33 Children
<i>Average Number</i> Unruly/Delinquent Cases	22/21 Children
Reunified With Their Biological Families.....	31 Children
<i>Average Number</i> in Kinship Homes	19 Children
Number of Monitored Family Visits in Agency.....	1,341
Number of Parenting Class Registrants.....	96 Parents; 46 Completed

Foster Care/Adoption Placement Services

<i>Average Number</i> of Children in Foster Care.....	109
<i>Average Number</i> of Children in Agency Permanent Custody	27
Adoptions Finalized	39

Kinship Permanency Incentive Program (KPI) (involved 98 children)

KPI provides limited financial assistance to income-eligible kin caring for minor children placed in their legal and physical custody on July 1, 2005, or later. An initial payment of \$1000 per child was issued. At six-month intervals, those kin who remain eligible received \$500 per child up to a maximum of three years from first payment. KPI funding went to 58 families involving 98 children.

PROGRAM SERVICES

Child Abuse Prevention	\$1,963.67
Emergency Services Assistance.....	\$41,547.97
Post-Adoption Services	\$24,745.46
Quality Child Care	\$17,495.30
Protective Child Care	\$1,250.32
JOBS Child Care	\$62,780.74
Education and Training Child Care	\$63,496.11
Employment Child Care	\$1,713,187.52
Kinship Permanency Incentive.....	\$98,000.00
Subsidized Adoptions	\$104,742.33
Foster Care.....	\$1,832,454.87
Adopt Ohio	\$22,542.00
TOTAL	\$3,984,206.29



ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

State Operating.....	\$82,170.33
Federal Social Services.....	\$59,925.47
Title XX TANF Transfer.....	\$96,250.03
Title IV-B	\$60,869.00
State Child Protective	\$642,090.04
Chaffee (Independent Living)	\$17,374.85
County Child Care.....	\$208,749.79
Kinship Permanency, Inc.....	\$4,378.71
Title IV-E Administration & Training	\$798,025.56
TOTAL	\$1,969,833.78