



# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

## Richland County Board of Developmental Disabilities



### 2017 Richland County Board of DD

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### MISSION

Richland Newhope is committed to supporting people with developmental disabilities to live, work, and be a part of the community, making individual choices within their circle of support



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## LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Richland County Community:

Richland Newhope marked a milestone in 2017 – the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Richland County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

It was also the first time in almost 50 years that the county board was not a direct provider of adult day services or most adult non-medical transportation. We continue to serve as a coordinator and funder of those supports, working with more than 150 local provider partners.

As planned, we also ended child care services in 2017 while our preschool program earned a Five-Star Step Up To Quality Award from the state of Ohio. The entire agency received a maximum three-year accreditation for quality of services and supports from the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities. In addition, 41 individuals gained employment through The Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities' Pathways program that we administer and support with local match dollars.

As a Greek philosopher so aptly put it, "Change is the only constant in life." That's particularly true in the field of developmental disabilities. Recent changes have reinforced our mission to support individuals to live, work, and be part of their communities and have as many options as possible as they make choices about how to live their lives.

And, by combining local levy dollars with state and federal funding, we've been able to grow and change without asking for additional local dollars for the past 22 years.

As Richland Newhope's new superintendent, I want to thank Richland County residents for their continued support so we're Always There when you need us.

Please keep up-to-date with Richland Newhope by visiting our website, [www.rnewhope.org](http://www.rnewhope.org), signing up for our electronic newsletters, or by following us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. We welcome your feedback.

Sincerely,

Michele Giess

Superintendent

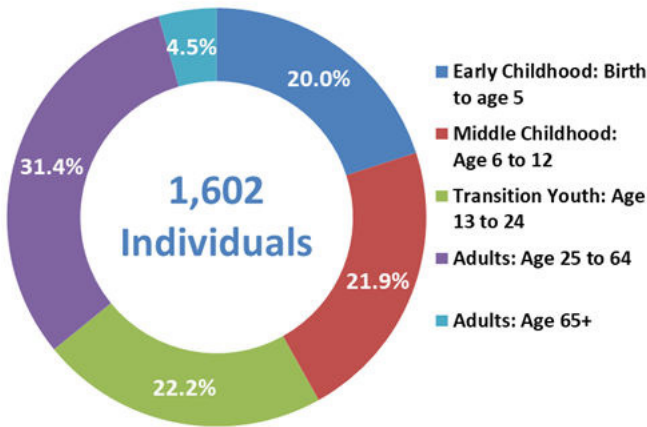
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50 YEARS RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Supporting children and adults with disabilities  
throughout their lifetime

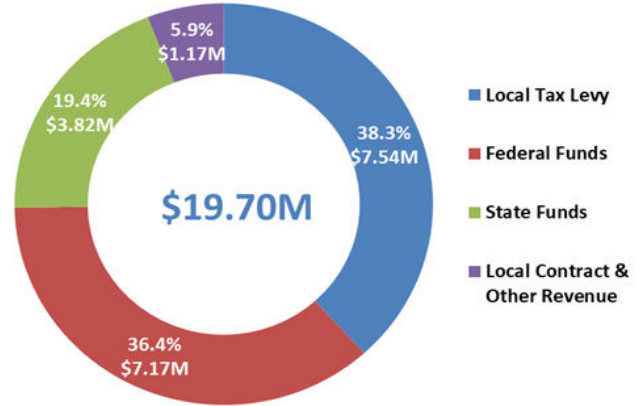
# Responsibilities of the Richland County Board of Developmental Disabilities:

- **Fund** services and supports, often for a lifetime.
- **Plan** and coordinate supports that are important to and for people with disabilities.
- **Monitor** services and supports to ensure people with disabilities are getting what they want and need to keep them healthy and safe.

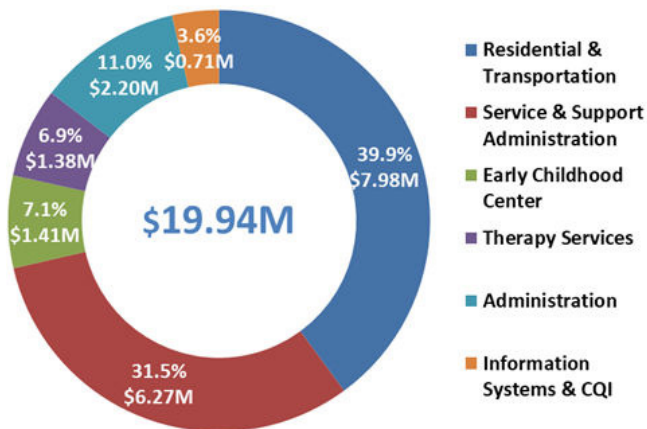
## Individuals Served in 2017



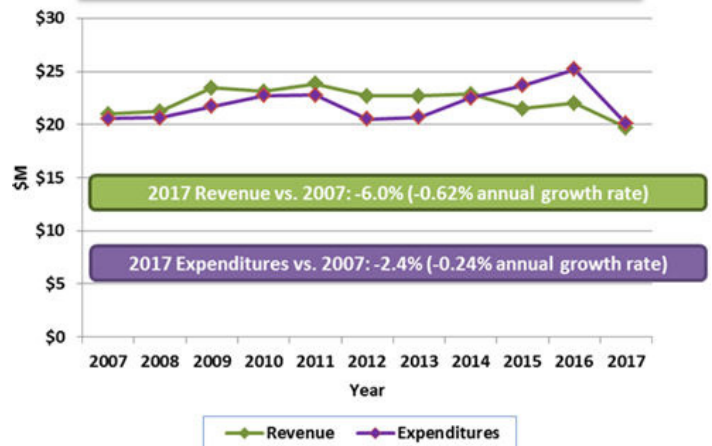
## 2017 Revenue Sources



## 2017 Expenditures



## Revenue and Expenditures 2007 - 2017



*Richland Newhope employed an average of 241 people in 2017. This includes full-time, part-time, and substitute positions.*

## AGENCY PROVIDER PARTNERS

Our Board provides funding, training, and support to a number of agencies and independent providers to deliver high-quality services to Richland County residents with developmental disabilities.

The agency providers include: A-1 Associated Nursing; A Plus Home Health Care Agency; A Silver Lining; Access Ability, Inc.; Advance DD Care, LLC; All Care Services, LLC; American Dream Homes, LLC; Angels Home Care, LLC; Brandon Blake Hawkins Adult Care Services; Caregiver Homes of Ohio, Inc.; Central Star Home Health Services; Doyle Medical, LLC; Dungarvin Ohio, LLC; Echoing Hills Village, Inc.; Empowering People, Inc.; First I Care; Giving Grace, LLC; Goodwill Industries of Akron, OH, Inc.; Got-Autism, LLC; H.R. Choices, Inc.; Hands of Grace Services, LLC; The Hope Homes of Richland County; Inclusion Health Services; Innovative Support Services, Inc.; M.C. Mobility Systems, Inc.; Marie's Care Agency; Mary McLeod-Bethune Intervention & Enrichment Center; Maxim Healthcare Services; McElvain Home; Miller's Rental & Sales, Inc.; Mitzi Murphy; Motion Mobility and Design, Inc.; National Seating and Mobility, Inc.; Open Arms Health Systems, LLC; PurFoods LLC dba Mom's Meals; RNI, Inc.; Recreation Unlimited Farm & Fun; REM Ohio, Inc.; ResCare/VOCA Corp; RiteChoice Healthcare Services, LLC; Serenity Homes, LV, LLC; Stateline Medical Equipment; Statewide Transportation Services, LLC; TLC Home Health of Ohio, Inc.; TWFD (The White Family Difference); Tri-Star Scientific; VanHarlingen Inc. dba Shaw & Ott Medical; Vector Security; VRI Medical Alarms/Valued Relationships Inc.; WMK Equity Holdings, LLC; Wayne Health Services and Supplies, Inc.; and W. William Schmidt & Associates, Inc.

We also work with an approximate 88 independent providers of residential and transportation services.