

Cuyahoga County Council
Committee of the Whole
2018-2019 Biennial Budget Hearing

ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County

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Thank You!

On behalf of the residents of Cuyahoga County . . .

The ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County thanks you for your constant support of the Behavioral Health System and the many programs and services that are funded through the Health and Human Services Levies.

ADAMHS Board 2018 & 2019 Biennial Budget Overview

- **County Executive recommends \$39 million for 2018 & 2019.**
 - Same level as 2016 & 2017.
- **Overall budget is slightly over \$60 million inclusive of federal and state funding.**
- **Board will be strained to continue to support individuals in need of recovery services that are not covered by insurance, i.e., Crisis, Detoxification, Residential Treatment, Recovery & Sober Housing.**
 - Funding from the State is \$5 million less than four years ago.
 - Midst of the Heroin Crisis.

2018 & 2019 Board Increased Expenditures & New Initiatives

- **Expansion of Prevention & Early Intervention:**
 - Services historically geared towards “at risk youth” will be **expanded to include adults** living with mental illness and/or addiction.
 - **Incorporate Evidence Based/Promising Practices** models.
- **Crisis Care Community Forums in 2018:**
 - **Engage the community to assess the needs for crisis interventions services for children and adults with the goal to enhance the system’s crisis care continuum.**

ADAMHS Board Personnel

- **2017 Retirements:**
 - **Three Board staff have or will retire by December 31, 2017 after many years of service.**
 - **Positions will be filled.**
- **2018 Staffing:**
 - **Anticipated review of current Table of Organization in tandem with the paradigm shift as a result of the implementation of Behavioral Health Redesign.**

2018 & 2019 Issues and Concerns to Consider

- **Medicaid Expansion:**
 - **Altering or elimination of Medicaid Expansion will increase the number of uninsured citizens that would continue to be in need of treatment *that would no longer be covered.***
 - **Shifting of Board dollars from needed recovery services to treatment services.**
- **Mental Health Issues:**
 - **Adequate funding needed to provide mental health treatment and recovery support services - *even in the midst of the heroin epidemic.***

Questions from Council . . .



. . . To ADAMHS Board CEO

