



Hamilton County  
Developmental Disabilities Services

## Quick Facts

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- Approximately 9,000 adults and children with disabilities in Hamilton County are served
- Third largest county board in the state, with an annual budget of \$110 million; in contrast, Franklin County has a budget of \$246M and serves 16,000; Cuyahoga's budget is \$195M, and they serve 13,500 people
- Funding comes from a Hamilton County five-year property tax levy (72%); state (8%), federal (13%) and miscellaneous (7%); next levy is up for vote in 2014
- Contracts for services with over 300 community agencies and individual providers give individuals better choice and control over their services and who provides them; 57% of agency budget is in contract services; only 38% of budget is for personnel costs
- Early Intervention Services for babies and toddlers are provided in cooperation with the Help Me Grow system and other local child-serving agencies
- Two schools and four adult centers operated by the agency are safety nets for individuals with intense disabilities whom contract providers cannot serve
- Services to school-age children in agency school or the child's local public district are provided in cooperation with the 22 public school districts in Hamilton County
- Service Facilitators assist individuals in coordinating services and connecting with their communities based on the wishes of individuals and their families
- Advocates with disabilities drive planning and feedback collection and are national and state leaders in educating professionals and lawmakers
- Approximately 3,000 people with disabilities receive residential services; Individuals are supported in their family homes whenever possible; 500 individuals live with others in licensed homes

