FAMILIES AND CHILDREN SERVED

Children placed out of home by the PCSA

2016 2018

PERMANENCY

- Children who gained permanency through
  - Reunification 11 28
  - Guardianship 2 1
  - Custody to relative 13 12
  - Adoption 5 5

- Children waiting to be adopted 4 6
- Children supported by Kinship 8 8

EMANCIPATED YOUTH

- Youth aged out of care 1 3
- Median # of days in custody before emancipation 573 884
- Students received Chaffee ETV post-secondary education grants 0 0

- Emancipated youth enrolled in Medicaid 8 5

JUVENILE COURT

- Court timeliness
  - Cases pending beyond Supreme Court timeframes 36% 35%

- Grandparents Raising Grandchildren 149

2016 2018

- Ohio Works First Child Only
  - Children receiving child only benefit 127
  - Caregivers receive $289/month for the first child and an increase for each additional sibling

- Per Capita Income $44,139

- Population 40,873
  - Race: White 97% • African American 1%
  - Multiracial 1% • Other 1%
  - Ethnicity: Hispanic 2%

- Placement Rate
  - Number of children in custody per 1,000 9.6

- Poverty Rate
  - All ages 8%
  - Children 10%

- Child Population 10,454

- Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Types of Reports

- Physical abuse 75 25%
- Neglect 98 32%
- Sexual Abuse 43 14%
- Emotional Maltreatment 6 2%
- Multiple Allegations of Abuse/Neglect 30 10%
- Family in Need of Services/Dependency/Other 53 17%

- Total 305 100%

- 2018 RESPONSE

- 305 Reports screened in related to child abuse or neglect, dependency, or families in need of services
- 91 Child abuse/neglect reports screened in for traditional response
- 172 Child abuse/neglect reports screened in for alternative response
- 16 Dependency reports screened in
- 25 Family in need of services reports screened in

- 44 Cases transferred to ongoing

- Safety assessment
- Family assessment
**CHILDREN IN PCSA CUSTODY ON 7/1/2018**

**What type of custody?**
- Temporary custody: 80%
- Permanent custody: 14%
- Planned permanent living arrangement: 4%

**What Race?**
- White: 88%
- African American: 0%
- Multiracial: 5%
- Other: 7%

56 Children in Custody

**How old?**
- 0-5: 54%
- 6-11: 29%
- 12-17: 18%
- 18+: 0%

**Why removed from home?**
- Neglect: 16%
- Dependency: 18%
- Physical abuse: 2%
- Sexual abuse: 0%
- Delinquency/unruly: 2%
- Other: 63%

**How long in custody?**
- Under 2 years: 88%
- 2-4 years: 11%
- 5+ years: 2%

**Where are children placed?**
- Licensed foster home: 52%
- Approved relative/kinship home: 34%
- Group/residential care: 11%
- Adoptive placement: 4%
- Independent living placement/other: 0%

**2018 PUBLIC CHILDREN SERVICES SPENDING**

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Of Ohio’s 88 counties, Mercer County did maintain a children services levy in 2018.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Mercer County Department of Job and Family Services
http://www.mercercountyohio.org/jfs/419-586-5106

**PLACEMENT COSTS**

Total $1,166,768

- Costs by source:
  - Local: 53%
  - Federal: 47%

- Costs by placement type:
  - Licensed foster home: $534,860
  - Group/residential care: $631,570
  - Independent living placement/other: $338

**ADOPTION ASSISTANCE AND SUBSIDIES**

Total $147,359

- Costs by source:
  - Local: 62%
  - State: 35%
  - Federal: 3%