



# 2024 Annual Report 2025 Annual Plan

Adams County Board of Developmental Disabilities

116 W. Mulberry Street

West Union, Ohio 45693

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# Mission & Vision

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**Mission:** Empower people with developmental disabilities to live, learn, work and be involved in their community.

**Vision:** A lifetime of dignity and opportunity!

**Our Values:** Respect – Collaboration – Innovation – Inclusion – Excellence – Trust



# Accomplishments



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## 1. DD Board Member

The Adams County Commissioners appointed an individual receiving services to the Adams CBDD.

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## 2. Employment First

The Precinct Café Celebrated one-year anniversary in December 2024. Expanded community employment to 9 individuals.

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## 3. Board Advocate

Board contracted with an individual receiving services to represent the board in an advocacy role at a state, regional and local level. New Adams County Advocacy Group formed.

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## 4. Community Inclusion/Outreach

Tech Day held April 2024, “Day in the Ring” Adams County Fair held July 2024 and third annual Adams County Connected Day held September 2024. Proud supporter of Night to Shine.

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## 5. Parent and Provider Support

Advocacy and Family Engagement Events were held monthly. 8 new Independent Providers certified in 2024 with support from the county board.





# Programs and Services

Early Intervention – (0-2 years) – 28 served

Competitive Employment – (16 and older) – 9 served

Family Support Services – (all ages) – 3 served

Service Coordination – (all ages) – 6 served

Waiver Services – (all ages) – 84 served

Transition Services – (16 and older) – 3 served

Advocacy Services – (16 and older) - 25 served

Health and Safety Investigations - (all ages) – 17 served

Imagination Library - (0-5 years) – 1,409 served



# Community Assessment

With 26 surveys returned from parents, providers, community members, agencies and elected officials, the 2024 data concludes that the Adams County Board is:

1. Meeting the needs of the individuals served
2. Ensuring health and safety
3. Communicating through all media outlets
4. Accessible to community
5. Parents, Guardians and Providers supported



**“EVERYONE WINS WHEN  
PEOPLE CHOOSE TO  
WORK TOGETHER”**



# Employment First





# Our Team



**Lizabeth Lafferty**  
Superintendent



**Scot Crace**  
Assistant  
Superintendent



**Brian Mason**  
Business Manager



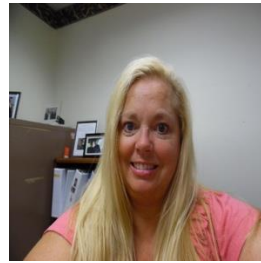
**Jennifer Goodwin**  
MUI Investigator/Coordinator



**Freida Taylor**  
SSA Supervisor



**Amanda Klickner**  
SSA



**Rhonda Holbrook**  
SSA



**Sarene Bellamy**  
Early Intervention  
DS



**TJ McClellan**  
Board Advocate

# 2025 Annual Plan

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**2025 WILL BE A TEACHING AND OUTREACH YEAR AS THE COUNTY BOARD HAS HIRED AN ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT TO FOCUS ON THE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS DELIVERED TO OUR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE COUNTY BOARD TO HAVE AN EASY TRANSITION OF THE ADMINISTRATION CHANGE THAT WILL OCCUR IN JANUARY 2026.**

**BOARD POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE ADMINISTRATION TEAM TO REFLECT ANY NEEDED REVISIONS TO ALIGN WITH ALL THE NEW DODD RULE CHANGES.**

**ACCREDITATION IS SCHEDULED FOR 2026. 2025 WILL ALLOW THE COUNTY BOARD TO BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE NEW REVIEW TOOL, PARTICIPATE IN COUNTY BOARD DODD OFFICE HOURS AND COMPLETE SELF REVIEW DOCUMENTS IN ALL AREAS OF WAIVER ADMINISTRATION.**

**THE 2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN OUTLINES THE ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF DD'S GOALS.**

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# 2025 GOALS

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**1. Community Integration,  
Inclusion and Employment  
Opportunities**

**2. Provider Recruitment and  
Retention**

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**3. Technology First**

**4. Advocacy & Engagement**

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**5. Outreach & Support**



# Adams County Board of Developmental Disabilities – 2024 Board of Directors

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**Susan Sexton, Chairman**

**Anthony Baker, Vice-Chairman**

**Sherry Larson, Secretary**

**Judy Hazelbaker**

**Roberta Ayres**

**Ty Pell**

**Naman Stapleton**

The Adams County Board of DD has two tax levies that are each .8 mil. Although this should generate 1.6 million dollars annually, it is approximately \$640,000.00 in annual revenue. The tax levies are old and the loss of the power plants has decreased our revenue by almost \$500,000.00 each year. We currently operate on tax revenue, Medicaid reimbursement programs and rental income. We will need to go back on the ballot in 2027/28, at which time the county board will need to carefully consider what type of levy is needed to operate the annual budget of 1.2 million dollars. The Adams CBDD must certify \$500,000.00 annually in Medicaid Match Funding for the individuals who receive services through Medicaid Waivers.



# Thank You

The Adams County Board of Developmental Disabilities says thank you for a wonderful year and is looking forward to continued partnerships and accomplishments in 2025.



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