



2017 Annual Report

Brown County Board of Mental Health & Addiction Services

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A Message from the Executive Director

I am pleased to share our Board and its service area highlights from 2017 and to provide a report of our revenues and expenditures.

Our Coalition for a Drug Free Brown County continues to work and grow. We held our Second Annual Recovery Run/Walk in September and were thrilled with the turnout. The citizens of our county are realizing that we are in the middle of an extraordinary drug epidemic and the only way we are going to overcome it is to collaborate and work together, progress is being made to this end.

Our relationship with the Brown County Educational Service Center and with the school districts continues to grow and we are focusing our energies and monies toward prevention. As Ben Franklin stated, "an inch of prevention is worth a pound of cure" and the Board firmly embraces that belief. The children and youth of our county need to develop self-regulation, a sense of belonging, and resiliency to be successful and healthy.

We are fortunate to have a group of dedicated board members and staff as well as committed and hard-working local providers who collaborate to provide high quality mental health and addiction treatment and recovery services to the citizens of Brown County.

While addiction is a strong focal point with the current opiate epidemic, mental health is still crucial and is being addressed. This year the Board hired a mental health consultant/advocate to establish a Brown County NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness). We are excited about the programming this group will afford the citizens of our county.

The Board strongly believes that recovery is attainable and that it should be celebrated! Working towards recovery is a difficult job but one that leads to a fulfilling and productive life. Recovery is Beautiful and we are committed to responding to the needs of our community to offer the prevention, treatment and recovery supports necessary to achieve recovery and wellness for individuals and families in Brown County.

I would like to personally and publicly thank our Board members, who graciously volunteer their time and energy to help ensure the system of care for behavioral and addiction services is available and accessible to the citizens in our communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deanna Vietze". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Deanna Vietze
Executive Director




Mission Statement

The Brown County Board of Mental Health & Addiction Services supports a Recovery Oriented System of Care for delivering effective mental health &, addiction treatment, prevention, education and advocacy services for its residents.

Vision Statement

To ensure that Brown County citizens have access to quality behavioral health services, so they can lead mentally healthy and addiction free productive lives.

2017 In Review

-  **Coalition for a Drug Free Brown County-** Regular monthly meetings have continued and the number of participants has remained steady. The action plan was rolled out in a community forum September 6th. County officials were invited to attend the 3pm meeting and the community at large was invited for the evening meeting. 70 attended and heard from Coalition members, Jason Gloyd, Regional Director of the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Dr. Cooper from Talbert House, Sarah Nerat, Associate Director Community Relations, Alkermes.
-  **Brown County NAMI Chapter-** The Board hired a mental health consultant/advocate to begin a NAMI chapter in the county. All paperwork has been turned in and we are awaiting official acceptance. As part of the NAMI work a support group has formed and meets at 7:00 pm the second and fourth Thursday of the month at the Board office. A Family group will begin in 2018.
-  **Quick Response Team-** The Board received funding from the Federal 21st Century CURES Act and prioritized establishing a quick response team. The team is comprised of an officer with the Brown County Drug and Special Crimes Task Force, a nurse from the Brown County Health Department and a social worker from Talbert House. The team began making visits in October. They review overdose data and visit survivors of overdose to attempt to offer linkage to treatment and other health services. So far the team has made contact with 17 individuals and 3 have begun treatment.

- ✚ **Interact for Health-** The Executive Director is a member of a grant team with Interact for Health with The Brown County Educational Service Center. Interact also provided a mini grant to help with the Coalition for a Drug Free Brown County's 2nd Annual 5K Recovery Run.
- ✚ **Municipal Court Vivitrol Program-** The Executive Director, Municipal Court Judge Joe Worley, and Associate Director of Talbert House are continuing the Vivitrol program for misdemeanor offenders. Talbert House has a case manager who works at the court in conjunction with the probation officers to make MAT treatment available to those in the court system for drug related charges.
- ✚ **Talbert House Recovery Housing-** The Recovery House has capacity for six men and one resident manager. The house has been full most months and continues to be supported by the Board.
- ✚ **40 Developmental Assets-** The Board continues to fund the 40 Developmental Assets in all our county school districts. Each district has a coordinator who works with the administration and staff to develop programming to incorporate the 40 Developmental Assets into their school(s).
- ✚ **SAR Review-** The Board successfully completed a Stakeholder Assistance Review (subrecipient monitoring/audit) conducted by the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services. There were no findings and no costs were questioned.
- ✚ **Behavioral Health Conference January 10-11-** The Executive Director attended the Behavioral Health Conference hosted by the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) in Columbus.
- ✚ **Opiate Conference June 12-13-** The Executive Director and 3 Board members attended the conference hosted by the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) in Columbus.
- ✚ **Mental Health First Aid Trainings-** The Board held two Youth Mental Health First Aid Trainings one in January and one in May- 25 participants were trained.
- ✚ **Brown County Board of Developmental Disabilities-** The Executive Director is a member of the Human Rights Committee with the Brown County Board of DD and meets quarterly to review cases and have training.

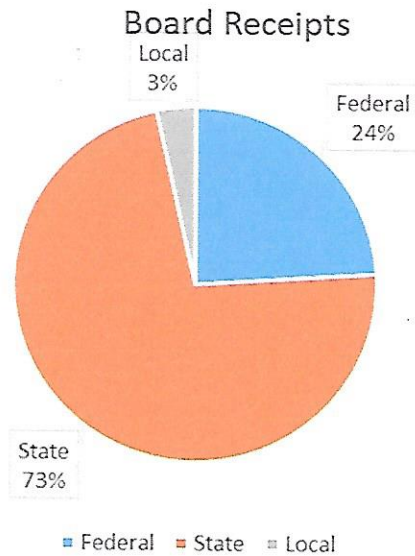
- ✚ **Strategic Plan-** The Board developed a strategic plan. The plan outlines specific strategies to improve client access and satisfaction of services and to increase prevention services in the county as well as align our goals with the Recovery Oriented System of Care (ROSC) framework. The Board also updated the vision and mission statements.
- ✚ **Recovery Conference-** The Executive Director, 1 Board member and 4 Brown County residents in recovery attended the Recovery Conference held by the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) September 11 and 12th in Columbus. Individuals in Recovery attended and celebrated sobriety and learned about Recovery supports and strategies.
- ✚ **Community Connectors** –The Executive Director attended the Community Connectors showcase in June. Students in 8th grade participate throughout the school year in a mentoring program focusing on career choices. In June, a week-long academy is held at Southern Hills Career & Technical Center and students spend a week immersed in a career field of choice. At the culmination of the week students display and share their achievements and activities.
- ✚ **Executive Council Retreat-**The Executive Director was elected to Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authority's (OACBHA) Executive Council representing Brown, Clermont, Hamilton, Butler and Preble Counties. She is still the chairperson for the Governance committee and participates in several other OACBHA committees. She attended the retreat in July where plans were made for the fiscal year.
- ✚ **Coalition for a Drug Free Brown County Events-** August 4-5 The Board in conjunction with the Coalition sponsored a booth at Summerfest and information was shared about treatment, crisis text line and the Coalition. The Coalition in conjunction with the Board sponsored the Second Annual Recovery Run (5K) September 9th. We had people in Recovery and Zac Corbin, Prosecutor speak and over 70 runners participated.
- ✚ **Fair Booth-** The Board in conjunction with the Coalition sponsored a booth at the Brown County Fair. The Executive Director and Coalition volunteers manned the booth and offered information regarding drug and alcohol treatment, NAMI, and crisis text line.
- ✚ **Community involvement-** The Executive Director spoke 6 times at schools about drug prevention and crisis text line. She helped with 2 Real World Real Money simulations in schools and with 3 poverty exercises for bus drivers.

- ✚ **Crisis Text Line**-The Board in collaboration with Ohio MHAS and OACBHA began marketing a free Crisis Text Line. Text 4Hope to 741741 and a trained counselor will respond via text within five minutes. The Executive Director presented Crisis Text Line information at various meetings and schools and with OACBHA grant funding purchased ads and banners at the fair, Summerfest, a soccer tournament and in sports programs.
- ✚ **Grant writing**- The Executive Director has helped write 7 different grants. Three of the 7 were funded with one still awaiting notification. The Generation Rx grant was funded to the Ohio State Extension office and will train adults and students on how to talk about prescription drug abuse with others. The other was a grant from NeoMed to have Child Focus provide QPR training to college students that will teach the signs of suicide and how to make referrals to treatment. These trainings will take place in 2018. A grant from OACBHA was received to advertise the crisis text line services.



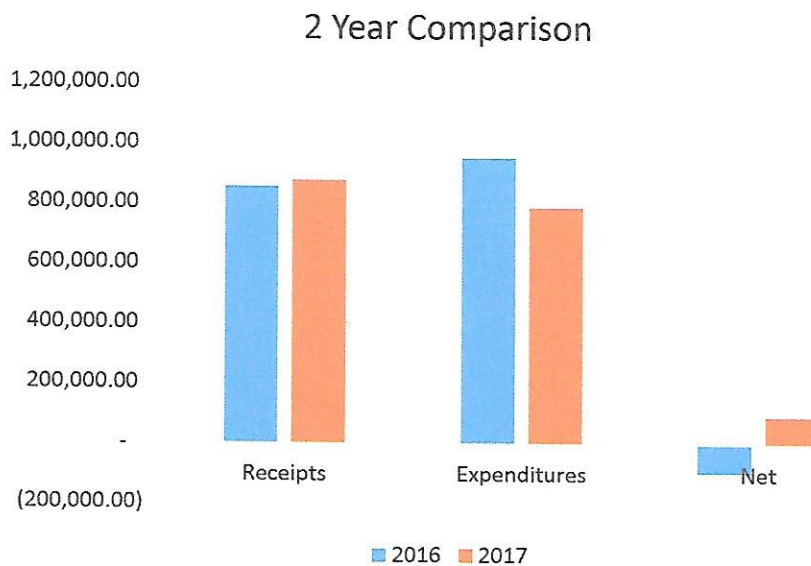
Executive Director Deanna Vietze presenting at the Coalition's Community Forum
September 6, 2017

Brown County Board of MHAS 2017 Calendar Year Revenue



Federal	\$210,105
State	\$ 635,414
Local	\$30,660

Brown County Board of MHAS 2 Year Expenditure Comparison



	2016	2017
Revenue	\$854,772	\$876,179
Expenditures	\$950,679	\$784,901
Net	(\$95,907)	\$91,278

CONTRACT ORGANIZATIONS

Talbert House dba Brown County Recovery Services-Georgetown Office
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