

2017 HCBDD Annual Plan Survey

Please check one (or more) of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent or guardian | <i>If parent or guardian, age of child:</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 to 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 to 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 to 22 | <input type="checkbox"/> 22+ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Served | <i>If individual served, age:</i> | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 to 22 | <input type="checkbox"/> 22+ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Member | | <input type="checkbox"/> County Board Staff | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Member | | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Day Provider | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Residential Provider | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | | |

If appropriate, please check which program(s) you (or your family member) are receiving from HCBDD.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> SASS | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Service and Support Administration (SSA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SES | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Olympics | <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Support Services (FSS) | |

Please answer the following questions:

1. Generally speaking, do you feel that we are meeting the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities in our community?

- Great Good Okay Poor NA

Comments:

2. What kind of job do you feel that we are doing in spending tax dollars wisely?

- Excellent Good Okay Poor NA

Comments:

3. How do you feel that we do with collaborating with other community agencies?

- Great Good Okay Poor NA

Comments:

4. What is your impression of how staff treat people with developmental disabilities and family members?

- Excellent Good Okay Poor NA

Comments:

5. How do you think our communication is with the public?

- Excellent Good Okay Poor NA

6. How do you feel that we are doing overall in providing quality services to the community?

- Great Good Okay Poor

Comments:

7. To what extent do you think that we are making progress? *(Circle one)*

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Poor Progress

Great Progress

What things do you think that we are doing well?

How could we improve what we do?

Please return your completed survey to HOPE Services.

HOPE SERVICES

OCTOBER 2017

Seeing Potential ~ Inspiring Opportunities

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Annual Plan Survey



Listen to WNDH 103.1 every Thursday at 12:30 p.m. for more information about HOPE Services.

HOPE Services is committed to creatively working in partnership with eligible individuals and their families to discover, pursue and achieve what is important to them.

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HOPE'S HOT DOG & BRATWURST BASH



**FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 13, 2017
11:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.**

**FREE WILL
DONATION**

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
Henry County
Christmas Cheer

HOPE Services
135 E. Maumee, Napoleon
• eat in, drive through and carry out •

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

HOPE Services will be closed on Monday, October 9, in observance of Columbus Day.

The offices will also be closed on Friday, November 10, in observance of Veteran's Day.

HOPE Services will be closed on November 23 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.



Paid for by HOPE Services/HCBDD Levy Committee, 135 E. Maumee, Napoleon, OH 43545

THERE ARE YARD SIGNS AVAILABLE FOR HOPE SUPPORTERS. CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU'D LIKE A SIGN. THIS IS A RENEWAL—NO NEW TAXES.

Playgroups and Early Intervention

HOPE's Early Intervention has teamed with the Henry County Health Department's Home Visiting Program to offer a monthly playgroup to families who have children enrolled in Early Intervention and/or Home Visiting. During warm weather months, the playgroup is held in a local park. When the weather turns cooler, the playgroup meets at Crossroads Church in Napoleon. Playgroups give parents/caregivers a chance to meet other families with children their age and to share experiences and build a support network with other parents. It gives little ones a chance to be near, play with and watch other children.

Each playgroup begins with some free time that allows parents to chat and play with the children and for the children to engage with others. A speaker or topic of interest is presented for a 10-15 minute session. Opportunities to participate in table top activities such as a craft, art, sensory exploration activity (playdoh, paint, etc.) are provided. The 1½ hour playgroup typically ends with a small snack. The flier for the upcoming October Playgroup is on page 3. You can contact HOPE's Early Intervention Staff at 419-592-0126 if you have any questions.

UPCOMING HARC RECREATION EVENTS

- ◆ Cook Night Wednesday, October 4 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Leaders Corn Maze/ Scream Acres Saturday, October 7 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- ◆ Bocce Night/Potluck Friday, October 13 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- ◆ Craft Night Thursday, October 19 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- ◆ Halloween Party Tuesday, October 24 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- ◆ Haunted Prison Sunday, November 5 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Let's Get Cooking Wednesday, November 8 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Lip Sync Friday, November 17 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- ◆ Game Night Wednesday, November 29 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Would you like to let everyone know about the services provided to you by HOPE Services? We would love for you to write a Letter to the Editor of the Northwest Signal telling the citizens of Henry county what you appreciate and value about the services offered through the Henry County Board of DD. Please follow the link below to make this happen:
https://www.northwestsignal.net/site/forms/online_services/letter/

HELP ME GROW Costume Party



Monday, October 30, 2017

3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Costume Contest and
Pumpkin Fun**

Crossroads Church

601 N. Bonaparte Drive, Napoleon, Ohio

**GEARED TOWARDS
BIRTH TO THREE
YEARS OF AGE**



**THOSE RECEIVING HOME VISITING
SERVICES FROM HENRY, FULTON,
DEFIANCE OR WILLIAMS COUNTY OR EARLY
INTERVENTION SERVICES FROM HENRY
COUNTY WILL RECEIVE A \$10 GAS CARD.**

SHOULD I SET UP A SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST?

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

5:00 p.m.

(Location to be Determined)

Open to people served, families, friends and supports.

This presentation will address many of the questions special needs families have regarding Special Needs Trusts (SNTs) including whether they are necessary, how they fit into a families estate planning and how SNTs work with other tax preference accounts such as STABLE accounts.

Barry Jamieson, CFP, MA, a special needs certified financial planner with CMP Financial planning will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of SNTs and answer your legal and

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

In September's newsletter I talked about where HOPE was in its direct services transition plan. This prompted quite a bit of feedback from readers. I thought I would share a few of the most common questions.

What is this all about?

As of August 2017, seventy-seven of Ohio's 88 counties have either stopped or are in the process of discontinuing providing direct services.

Ohio has determined that county boards (HOPE Services) have a conflict of interest when they both provide and authorize services. Authorizing and monitoring services are very important functions. HOPE will continue to authorize and monitor services through Service and Support Administrators. Privately operated providers will continue to offer services as they have for years. In the near future, HOPE will no longer directly provide these same services.

HOPE published a Request For Interest to see who might be interested in assuming Adult Day and Community Employment Services that HOPE currently provides.

Those who are interested in providing services will meet with individuals, families and interested stakeholders during the month of October.

The provider (or providers) who best meets the needs of all will then be part of HOPE's Transition Plan.

What does this mean for me?

Services will continue to be offered at HOPE's facility for the foreseeable future. Services will not change, unless you want them to change.

What's next?

You will be receiving information about upcoming stakeholder meetings .

I have questions. Who can I talk to?

If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 419-599-2892. As always, you can contact your SSA if you prefer.

Steve Tucker, Superintendent

During the next few months, the Ohio County Boards of Developmental Disabilities will be celebrating 50 years! To join in this celebration we will be sharing some history and old pictures.

ALWAYS THERE

50 YEARS OHIO COUNTY BOARDS OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

James King was employed by our Board in 2007 and remained until 2011. While under Mr. King's supervision, HOPE Services created FutureView, a document scanning venture that provided additional job opportunities for our individuals we serve. This was managed by HOPE until 2013 when Person Centered Services took over.



In November 2011, The Henry County Board of Developmental Disabilities welcomed their new superintendent, Melinda Slusser. The Board entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the Ottawa County Board of Developmental Disabilities. She remained superintendent until December 2016 at which time Mr. Stephen Tucker, our current superintendent, took over the leadership role at the Henry County Board of DD.

In May of 2012, HOPE School closed its doors to providing preschool services to both students with and without disabilities to the four area local schools. The local schools chose to provide these services in their home schools. Even though preschool services are now offered in their home school districts, support services are still accessible through HOPE Services. Support services might include, but not limited to, SSA services, Young Athletes, and Family Support Services.



In April 2015, funding for Intermediate Care Facilities decreased resulting in the need for residents of the Clinton Home to move to smaller living settings. Therefore, the Board made a decision to close the Clinton Home (which opened in 1982) in order to support this change. Every resident is now living in a two or three bedroom home with the assistance of support staff.

Although HOPE Services continues to change and evolve, we value our tradition of providing quality direct care services to residents of Henry County.

Kent's Korner

October 2017

Upcoming events

October 2nd Horseback Riding practice at Dusty Boots in Weston at 5:00pm
 October 3rd Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way 4:00pm
 October 3rd Special Olympics Swim Practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 5th Special Olympics Swim practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 6th Bocce at Activity Center at 6:00pm
 October 9th Horseback Riding practice at Dusty Boots in Weston at 5:00pm
 October 10th Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way at 4:00pm
 October 10th Special Olympics Swim at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 12th Special Olympics Swim practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 13th Bocce at Activity Center at 6:00pm
 October 16th Horseback Riding practice at Dusty Boots in Weston at 5:00pm
 October 17th Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way at 4:00pm
 October 17th Special Olympics Swim practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 19th Special Olympics Swim practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 22nd Special Olympics State Team Bowling at Columbus
 October 23rd Horseback Riding practice at Dusty Boots in Weston at 5:00pm
 October 24th Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way at 4:00pm
 October 24th Special Olympics Swim practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 26th Special Olympics Swim practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm
 October 31st Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way at 4:00pm
 October 31st Special Olympics Swim practice at Napoleon High School pool at 7:30pm

Trent Murphy

Trent's number one Special Olympics sport is basketball and much loved coach is Randy Barnes. He has been involved in Special Olympics for 4 years and it is a hard worker. Trent's favorite Special Olympics sports are Softball, Volleyball, Bowling, Soccer and Basketball. His pick of college football team is Michigan and Trent's favorite high school football team is Napoleon Wildcats. Trent's choices of movies are Adam Sandler movies. His favorite color is blue.

Trent's pick of food is pizza and enjoys listening to Katy Perry. Trent admires Adam Sandler. Trent's pick of restaurant is Texas Roadhouse and much-loved TV show is Sponge Bob Square pants. His favorite sports car diver is Dale Earnhardt Jr.



Kent's Korner

Cougars Softball



Cougars softball team took 3rd place at the Special Olympics Ohio State Championship this weekend. Franklin Goodwill defeated the Cougars in the first semi final game 17-16 but the Cougars rallied to then beat Richland County in the consolation game 12-11 (in extra innings). Great job everyone!

If you have any Special Olympic news and or pictures that you would like to see included in the newsletter please contact me at:

Kentdawg51@yahoo.com or
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Who said it

1. "I hated every minute of training, but I said, don't quit. Suffer now and live the rest of your life as a champion."
 - A. Michael Jordan
 - B. Michael Jackson
 - C. Matt Hines
 - D. Muhammad Ali
2. "We have to have the Mentality that we have to work for everything we're going to get."
 - A. Lebron James
 - B. Lloyd Altman
 - C. Luke Bryan
 - D. Steph Curry
3. "You can't be afraid to fail. It's the only way you succeed. You're not gonna succeed all the time and I know that."
 - A. Randy Barnes
 - B. Gary Cody
 - C. Lebron James
 - D. Steph Curry
4. "You want to be the very best there is? Get out there and earn it!"
 - A. Dez Bryant
 - B. Juan Delgado
 - C. Urban Meyer
 - D. Peter Pan
5. "It is so easy to be average . It takes a little something to be special. Why be around average?"
 - A. Jennifer Cordes
 - B. Superman
 - C. Urban Meyer
 - D. Tiffany Swihart

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SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

JOB CLUB

September's meeting had a guest speaker. Beth Gerken from the Center of Child and Family Advocacy spoke to the group about how to keep yourself and others safe when using social media outlets. She also discussed harmful dating behaviors, inappropriate texting, confidentiality and how to handle these situations at work and at home. Beth stressed the importance of not posting personal information, such as where you live and work, on social media. She stated it was equally important to make sure you truly know your friends/contacts on Facebook and on your cell phone. Beth provided handouts for the attendees. The group was given an opportunity to ask questions.



Have you ever wondered who keeps the HOPE Services office so clean? Meet Cole, Terri Jo and Nick. They make up the cleaning crew at the office. Terri Jo has cleaned for twelve years. She lives in Napoleon with her two roommates and enjoys socializing with everyone in the office. Cole has cleaned for seven years and also lives in Napoleon with his family. He enjoys taking care of his two dogs and taking walks. Nick has cleaned for two years. He also lives in Napoleon. Nick enjoys working on lawn mowers and taking care of his birds. Take a minute to thank these three for the outstanding job that they do.



NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

Are you ready for National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM)? Held every October, NDEAM is an opportune time to educate about disability employment issues and celebrate the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities. The 2017 NDEAM theme is "Inclusion Drives Innovation."

NDEAM is led by the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP), but its true spirit lies in the many observances held at the grassroots level across the nation every year. The Campaign for Disability Employment encourages organizations of all sizes and in all industries to participate in NDEAM. For specific ideas on supporting NDEAM, visit www.dol.gov/ndeam.



United Way

The professionals of HOPE Services raised **\$3,369.20** to contribute to the United Way campaign. Several agencies serving Henry County residents will be provided funds.

Thank you HOPE Services for your generous giving!

HOPE'S Helping Hands

HOPE Services is available to help at your community event. If you need an extra set of hands, just give Tina a call at HOPE Services at 419-599-2892.



HOPE Services appreciates the hard work and dedication of each of its professionals which contribute to the overall success of the agency. As such, we would like to recognize the years of service given by the following professional:

Pat Spengler 4 years of service

Thanks Pat for all you do!



Saturday, October 21

(rescheduled from Tuesday, October 24)

Filling Home Community Center

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

MUSIC

Cost: \$5

COSTUME CONTEST



Sign up now by calling 419-591-6798.

Reserve your spot at the place to be this Halloween season!

Come have a hauntingly good time!

INDIVIDUAL OF THE MONTH



JERRY RETTIG

Meet Jerry Rettig. He is now attending the SASS Program every Tuesday and Thursday. Jerry was born in Morocco, North Africa, and he now lives in Holgate, Ohio. His brother and sister-in-law also live with him. Jerry has visited many places in the world when he was younger. He attended school in Holgate and McClure and eventually worked at Standard Metal in Malinta and at Quadco in Stryker. Jerry attends St. John's United Church of Christ in Holgate. Some of Jerry's hobbies include crocheting clothes hangers, coloring with markers, painting by number and making wood shavings with a drawknife. He likes to eat at a variety of restaurants including the Dairy Bar and Clubhouse Pizza, both located in Holgate. Some of his favorite foods are macaroni and cheese, spaghetti and meatballs, pizza and fruit. Jerry has enjoyed the tractor pulls in Bowling Green, the Threshers Convention in Wauseon and likes to play pool while at SASS. He likes bowling every Tuesday too. Please join us in welcoming Jerry—we're glad you're here!

SENIOR AND ADULT SUPPORT SERVICES

We started this month off with tabletop football and a trip to Johnson's Ice Cream. There's no better way to start off September than with a little football and a pumpkin flurry. SASS individuals have also been busy researching, experimenting and creating several different art projects in their attempt to find the next best thing to put on the market. The sports-themed cement block planters were a hit and they are now hoping their chalk glass garden mushrooms will be too. We traveled to Filling Home twice this month for adapted sports games and then twice for swimming. We also try to stay active here at the Activity Center with chair exercises, balloon volleyball and parachute activities. Weather permitting, we also try to sneak in a walk in one of our local parks or even around the block. Triangular Processing hosted this month's Networking Day. We traveled to Crossroads Church in Wauseon along with Filling Home, COREE and QRC to enjoy singing, dancing and a lot of socializing. Our Networking Days are always a blast, but also provide us with an opportunity to share and stay connected with our friends from neighboring counties and agencies. Other activities this month included assembling newsletters for Emanuel Lutheran and the Moose, a slide show presented by Wayne Carpenter showing his travels throughout Germany, baking, and learning more about Georgia and Nebraska.



The Fall Games, hosted by the Filling Home, were held on September 27. This annual event consists of a variety of swimming, bicycling and wheelchair races. Our individuals have a lot of fun competing and always come home with plenty of smiles and ribbons.

Upcoming Events

- **HOPE Services** will be closed on Monday, October 9, in observance of Columbus Day.
- **Monthly Board Meeting**—The Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 17, at 4:00 p.m. in the Activity Center.
- **HOPE Halloween Party** held at the Filling Home Community Center on Saturday, October 21.
- **HOOPS for HOPE** will be Saturday, November 18, at 10:00 a.m. Fundraising will begin Monday, October 30. More information to follow.
- **HMG Costume Party** will be held Monday, October 30, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

HOPE Services does not discriminate in provision of services or employment because of disability, race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age. Send news stories and items of interest to Kathy Bishop or Kent Spiess.



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