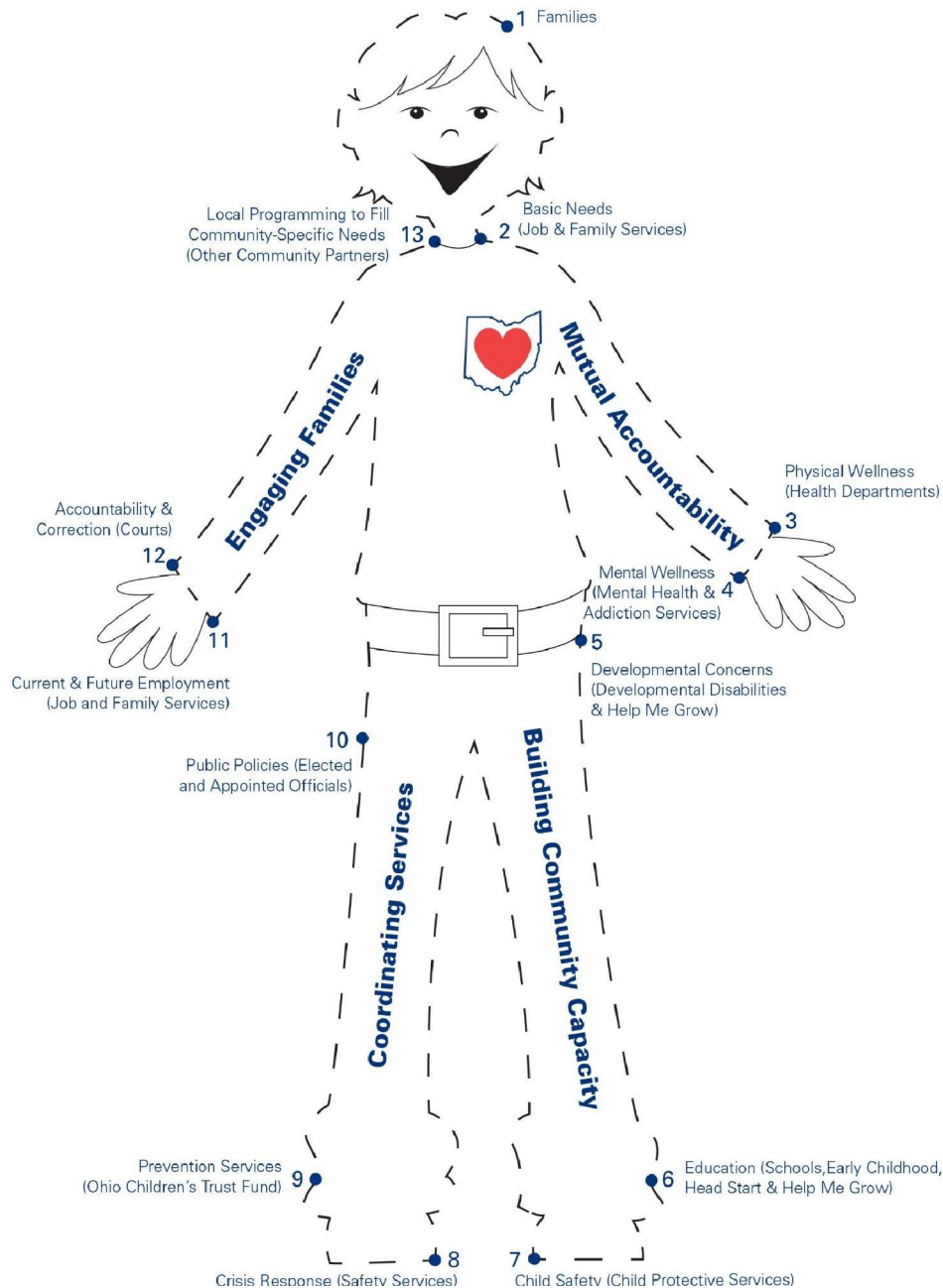


# Trumbull County Family & Children First Council Annual Report for FY 2022

## WE **CONNECT** THE DOTS.

**YOUR COUNTY'S FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL** connects the dots to eliminate redundancy and bring resources together for planning, monitoring and improving outcomes for families and children.



# The Power of Community

# Events from FY 2022



## FCFC Annual Meeting 2021



## Grandparent Support



## Imagination Library



## Domestic Violence Awareness



## World AIDS Day 2021

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### Executive Board



Chair, Tim Schaffner  
Executive Director  
Trumbull County Children Services

April Caraway  
Executive Director  
Trumbull County Mental Health Recovery Board

Judy Valenti  
Parent/Family Representative

Kathleen Vilsack  
Director of Pupil Services Trumbull County  
Educational Service Center

Stacy Ziska  
Administrator  
Trumbull County Family Court

Edward Stark  
Superintendent  
Board of Developmental Disabilities

Vice Chair, Matt Kresic  
CEO  
Cadence Care Network

Amy Frederick  
Parent/Family Representative  
Director of Pupil Services LaBrae Schools

Attorney John Gargano  
Director Trumbull County Jobs and Family Services

Jill Merolla  
Supervisor of Community Outreach  
and Grant Development  
Warren City School District

Frank Migliozi  
Health Commissioner  
Trumbull County Combined Health District

Bonnie Wilson  
Director  
Trumbull County Family & Children First Council

With approval by the Executive Board, the Administrative Agent shall develop an annual budget. The budget will guide the expenditures of the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Council.

The Executive Board of Council shall review and approve annual budgets for the following funds under the management of the Administrative Agent:

- Operational Capacity Building Fund Grant
- Family Centered Service and Support
- Wraparound Pooled Fund
- Early Intervention
- Any and all other grants and funds accepted by Council through a vote according to the By-Laws and rules of Council

The Executive Board of Council shall provide oversight and monitoring of all programs and services under the auspices of the Council, in consultation with the Administrative Agent.

The Executive Board of Council shall provide access to any books, documents, papers and records which are directly pertinent to the Agreement for the purpose of making audits, examination, excerpts and transcriptions. This access shall be given to any federal, state, or county agency or any of their duly authorized representatives. The Council shall maintain all required records for three (3) years after the completion of an audit conducted by or on behalf of the Ohio Auditor's Office.

The Executive Board shall have and exercise all powers of the Council in the conduct of Council business and affairs.

The Executive Board shall conduct interim business and resolve Council disputes. The Executive Board will develop policies and procedures for dispute resolution.

The Executive Board shall report all business conducted on behalf of Council during regular Council meetings.

The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Board may approve requests for letters of support from Council member organizations on behalf of the Board.

All members of the Executive Board are subject to an unconditional requirement to maintain confidentiality regarding child and family information. Any breach of confidentiality may result in removal by an affirmative vote of the majority of members at any meeting of the Executive Board called for that purpose.



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In 1994, the first local Wraparound case began when a young woman was returned to the county from a locked facility where she had resided for 21 months.

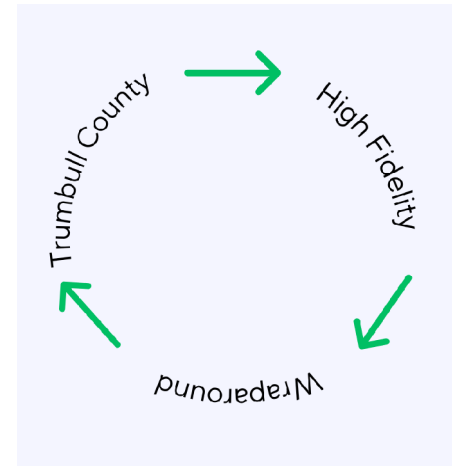
Everyone involved with her case, including her parents, agreed with the plan while acknowledging it was a new and very different way to work with a severely challenged young woman. A newly trained facilitator oversaw the implementation of her Wraparound plan and, in less than a year, she was successfully living at home.

This innovative approach worked! Could the success be replicated? More Wraparound plans were implemented and it was soon clear that comprehensive, coordinated, shared planning and service delivery was an approach the county was willing to embrace.

When the systems agreed that the children and youth being served were community children, rather than the primary responsibility of a single system, everything changed. The largest organizations, including child welfare, juvenile court, developmental disabilities and mental health, began pooling funds to pay for services with approval for payments being granted by an oversight committee. During the past 20 years, hundreds of youth and their families have reaped the benefits of shared responsibility for their welfare.

## Our Trumbull County Wraparound Partners include:

Family & Children First Council, Chair  
Cadence Care Network  
Trumbull County Children Services  
Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board  
Trumbull County Family Court  
Trumbull County Board of DD  
Trumbull County Job and Family Services  
Belmont Pines Hospital  
Trumbull County Educational Service Center  
Coleman Health Services



This diffuse model allows for more families to receive quality Wraparound services and embeds the practice within the county's system of care.

Trumbull County's structure is unusual but highly effective in that it supports trust, true collaboration, and partnerships. Currently, there are Wraparound Facilitators in the following systems:

- **Mental Health**
- **Child Welfare**
- **Developmental Disabilities**
- **Juvenile Justice**



Department of  
Medicaid

Mike DeWine, Governor  
Jon Husted, Lt. Governor

Maureen Corcoran, Director

In FY 2022 Trumbull County received \$240,440 in MSY funds. That included 11 new youth who received MSY funding.

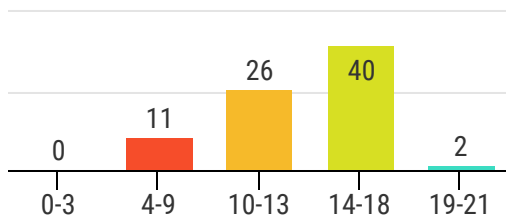


OhioRISE launched in 2022. 20 regional providers were identified to serve children with intense behavioral health needs. **Cadence Care Network** was chosen as the Care Management Entity for Trumbull and Mahoning County.

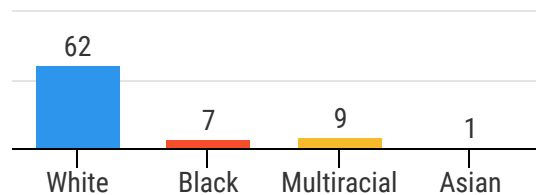
# Wraparound Program SFY 2022 Data Sharing Report

**79 Families Served**  
**29 New Families Referred**  
**49 Cases Closed**

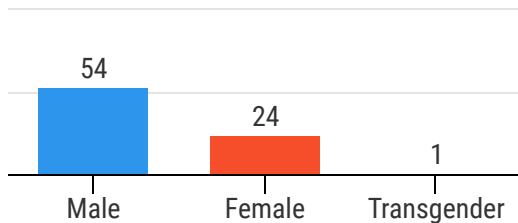
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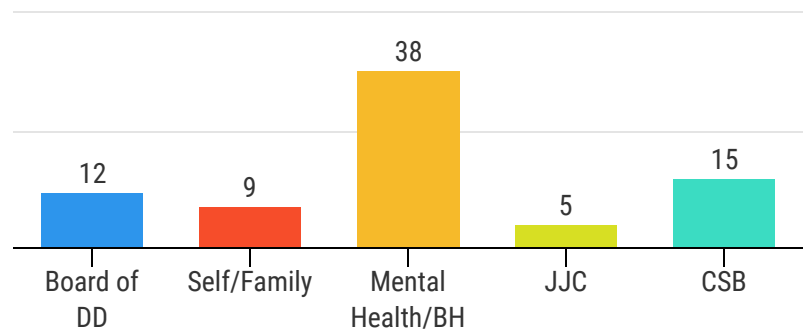
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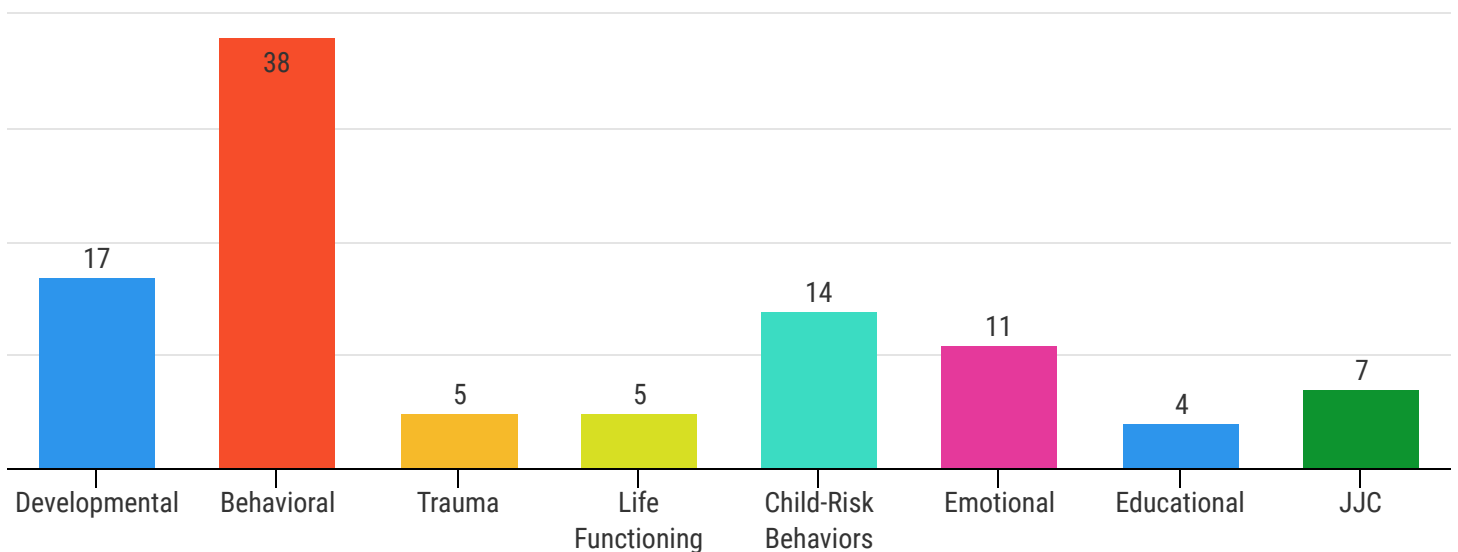
Gender



Referral Source



Primary Need(s) at Intake





# Trumbull County Family & Children First Council

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The Trumbull County Family & Children First Council currently consists of approximately forty member agencies and organizations including Parent/Family Representatives, who meet every other month, on even numbered months, to share information, talk about creative solutions to community concerns and learn about services that are available. Meetings are open to the public and visitors are welcome.



### Parent Representatives

- Amanda Macik
- Amy Frederick
- Judy Valenti
- Mauro DiViesti
- Itarah Godbolt
- Tamara Ware

### Council Members

- Alta Care Group, Inc.
- The Basement Outreach Ministries
- Belmont Pines Hospital
- Cadence Care Network
- Coleman Health Services
- COMPASS Family & Community Services
- Early Childhood Resource Center
- Emmanuel Community Care Center
- Help Network of Northeast Ohio
- I am Boundless
- Meridian Health Care
- NOAS
- Ohio Department of Youth Services
- One Health Ohio
- OSU Extension Trumbull County
- Potential Development School for Autism
- PsyCare, Inc.
- Someplace Safe & Solace Center
- Trumbull Community Action Program
- Trumbull County Board of DD
- Trumbull County Children Services
- Trumbull County Combined Health District
- Trumbull County Commissioners
- Tr. County Dept. of Job and Family Services
- Trumbull County Educational Service Center
- Trumbull County Family Court
- Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board
- Trumbull Metropolitan Housing Authority
- United Way of Trumbull County
- Valley Counseling Services
- Warren City Health District
- Warren City Schools
- Warren-Trumbull County Public Library
- Western Reserve Independent Living Center





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## Council Initiatives

**Trumbull County Family & Children First Council** ensures that families and children have access to programs and services to improve their daily lives.

The Council encourages member agencies to partner and innovate. Council sponsors or participates in many initiatives and projects which benefit the community. These include:

•**Countywide Orientation** – A quarterly two-day virtual tour of 20 child and family-serving community agencies in Trumbull County.

•**Early Childhood Coordinating Committee** – Convenes key partners from a broad spectrum of community agencies, with a focus on early childhood and youth, to share information, identify gaps in service and discuss ways to ensure families are aware of available services.

•**Voices of Youth** – Is a youth-led effort to identify gaps in Trumbull County's social service system to ensure that youth, ages 16-24, are prepared for transition to adulthood.

•**Kindergarten Readiness Initiative** – Bridges the important transition from early childhood programs to kindergarten by connecting early childhood providers, such as day care homes and centers, with kindergarten teachers, principals, parents, and children to help them understand skills children need when entering school.

### Trauma Informed Care Steering Committee



Creates awareness about and trains individuals in the adverse effects of childhood trauma (ACEs) on physical, social and emotional well-being and supports them in developing trauma-informed practices. In 2020, this group hosted the "Trauma Resiliency Summit" on the campus of Kent State-Trumbull focusing on the potential adverse effects of childhood trauma and provided education, information and resources on prevention and resiliency. A similar event is planned for September, 2023 and will, once again be held on the campus of Kent State- Trumbull.

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First Council  
Trumbull County, Ohio



Written by a child of Trumbull County



Council also sponsors or participates in a variety of other community initiatives including;

- o Trumbull County Domestic Violence Task Force
- o World AIDS Day
- o OhioRISE
- o MSY, Multi-System Youth
- o Operation: Baby Bundle
- o Kinship Support
- o Candyland Lane
- o Strong Families, Safe Communities

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An Executive Board meets monthly to make business decisions and offer guidance to the Council. The Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board serves as the Fiscal and Administrative Agent for Council.

For more information, please visit the Council's website at [familyfirsttrumbull.org](http://familyfirsttrumbull.org) or our Facebook page. Feel free to contact the Council Director, Bonnie Wilson, at [bwilson@trumbullmhrb.org](mailto:bwilson@trumbullmhrb.org) Questions about the Council can be directed to Bonnie Wilson at 330.675.2765, ext. 109.



# Early Intervention report for July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

**Early Intervention supports parents and caregivers in their efforts to enhance the development of their infant or toddler who has developmental delays or disabilities.**

## Community Collaboration:

The Early Intervention Supervisor is a member and attends meetings of the Early Childhood Collaborative Committee (ECCC) and the Family and Children First Council (FCFC). Information is shared between local agencies to inform and benefit children and families whom we collaboratively serve. Referrals between agencies are made as needed. The Early Intervention Team also works collaboratively with the local school districts to transition children and families from Part C, Early Intervention, to Part B, Preschool Special Education, if applicable. They work closely with Fairhaven School in representing the Trumbull County Board of Developmental Disabilities in the Early Intervention world, including attending resource fairs and community events.

## Outreach

In FY22, The Early Intervention Supervisor presented information, including referrals and caseloads, to the Early Childhood Coordinating Committee in July, September, November, January, March and May. The FCFC Director, who is also the Contract Manager for Early Intervention, shared information about the Early Intervention program with participants in the Countywide Orientation program in July, October, January and April.

Additional outreach items were ordered from Bright Beginnings (through the Help Me Grow website) such as developmental wheels, brochures and handouts, magnetic note pads, and phone holders for use at resource fairs and community events.

## ARPA Funding

Planning is being done to use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to purchase assorted items to be used as a lending library for families, trainings and educational materials for staff, and technology in FY21 and FY22 to provide support for further application or evidence based Early Intervention practices, service provision, and evaluation.

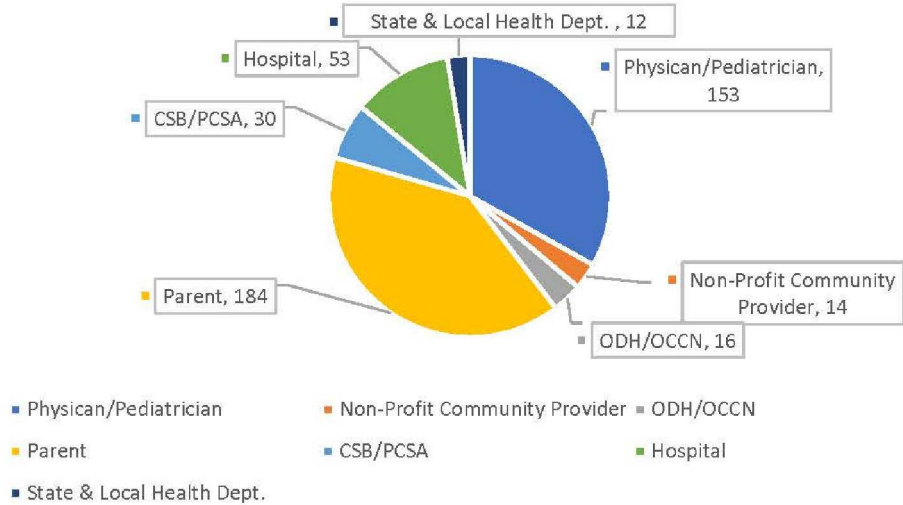
## EI Services

Total Number of unduplicated children enrolled in Early Intervention

July 1 2021 – June 30 2022 = **285**

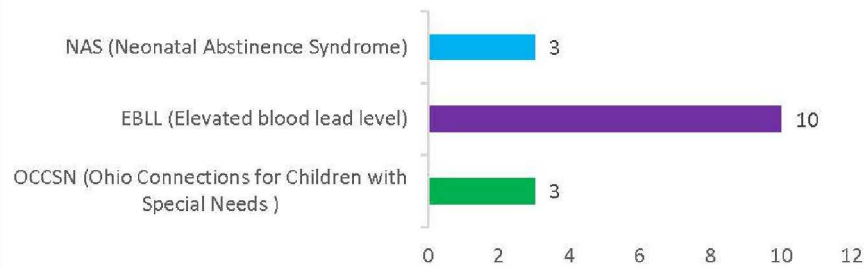


## Most Common Referral Sources



## OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (ODH) REFERRALS

OCCSN, EBLL, NAS REFERRALS



## Referrals July 2021 - June 2022

