

Governor John R. Kasich’s FY2016-17 Executive budget made a historic investment in Ohioans with developmental disabilities. Nearly \$300 million was added to DODD’s budget to increase opportunities for individuals to participate in their communities, and to live fuller lives. Each quarter, DODD will report on the progress made toward the initiatives outlined in the budget.

## Strengthening the Community System

More individuals want – and are able – to live in a community setting. Budget initiatives are designed to support this growing demand by strengthening and expanding the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver program. Below is a summary of the progress toward this work.

### Reduce the waiting list

*Add state-supported waivers to supplement County Board efforts, and help counties get to the median waiver enrollment*

	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2	To Date	Goal*
<b>State-Supported Waivers</b>				
SELF	0	10	10	1,000
Individual Options (IO)	0	8	8	864
<b>County Board-Supported Waivers (net new)</b>				
IO	94	96	190	
Level 1	24	128	152	
SELF	37	39	76	
<b>Counties at 2015 median IO waiver enrollment</b>				
	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2	Goal	
	44	45	77	

### Help individuals access different service options better suited to their needs

*Transition individuals from TDD to other waivers, and increase the number of individuals receiving Shared Living services*

	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2	To Date	Goal
TDD Transition	406	254	660	2,890
<b>Shared Living: State-funded IO Waiver</b>				
	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2	To Date	Goal
	0	1	1	216
Shared Living: Other	1,298	0	1,298	

### Increase support for individuals with complex needs

*Increase the number of individuals who receive the Behavior add-on and nursing services (IO Waiver)*

	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2
Behavior add-on	0	1
Nursing (IO Waiver)		

### Strengthen the direct care workforce

*Increase rates for direct care staff by 6 percent, and ensure rate increases reach staff through data collection*

	Status	Goal
Pre-increase data collection	Begins Jan. '16	June 30, '16
Increase implemented	Begins Jan. '16	January 2016
Post-increase data collection	Begins Jan. '17	June 30, '17

*\*Goals are for the end of the biennium unless otherwise indicated*

## Modernizing the ICF Program

The Intermediate Care Facilities (ICF) program is a critical service option, and one DODD is committed to maintaining. Budget initiatives are designed to help those who wish to live in a community setting to do so, and to maintain and strengthen the option for those who wish to live in an ICF. Below is a summary of the progress toward this work.

### Strengthen the ICF program

*Increase reimbursement rates for ICFs, and redesign the ICF reimbursement system*

	Status	Goal
Reimbursement RFP posted	Posted June 23, '15	July 1, '15
Contract awarded	October 2015	Oct. 1, '15
Work completed		Sept. 30, '16
	Status	Goal
Rate increase implemented	Begins July 1, '16	July 1, '16

### Ensure individuals are aware of their options

*Options counseling/in-reach for those living in an ICF, pre-admissions counseling for those considering an ICF, and rent subsidies to help individuals move into a community setting*

	Status
In-reach RFP posted	Completed May 29, '15
In-reach contract awarded	Completed Sept. 8, '15
Total in-reach contacts	0
-Selected Waiver	0

	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2	To Date
Pre-admission counseling sessions completed	13	21	34
-Selected ICF	12	20	32
-Selected waiver	1	1	2

	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2	To Date	Goal
Individuals enrolled in Exit Waivers	0	1	1	1,136
Individuals enrolled in Diversion Waivers	0	0	0	

	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2
Number of rent subsidies	0	0
Total dollars spent	\$0	\$0

### Provide financial support for downsizing and conversion to increase space and privacy

*Help ICFs downsize and convert, and buy back ICF beds*

	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2	To Date	Goal
<b>Downsizing</b>				
Beds approved	12	0	595	
Beds downsized	12	17	106	600 ('18)
<b>Conversion</b>				
Beds approved	59	32	403	
Beds converted	0	12	155	600 ('18)
	FY16 Q1	FY16 Q2		
Total beds purchased	0	0		
Total dollars spent	0	0		

**Note:** These efforts are part of the Grand Bargain work, which began in 2013.

## Promoting Community Employment

In 2012, Governor Kasich signed Executive Order 2012-05K, establishing community employment as the priority and preferred outcome of working age adults in Ohio. This formalized Ohio's decades-long efforts to support people in community jobs. Since that time, Ohio has seen an 18 percent increase in Community Employment.

	Oct. '15	Dec. '15
<b>Integrated Employment</b>	8,375	8,487
<b>-Increase since June '12</b>	16%	18%
<b>Sheltered Work</b>	17,295	17,196
<b>Facility-Based Day</b>	6,751	6,701
<b>Individuals in integrated employment*</b>		
<b>Average hours worked per week</b>	19	17
<b>Average hourly wage</b>	\$8.60	\$8.66

***Note:** In addition to the increase in community employment, this is the first time there has been a decrease in sheltered work and facility-based day services.*

County	% Integ. Empl.	County	% Integ. Empl.	County	% Integ. Empl.	County	% Integ. Empl.	
Adams	4%	Fairfield	26%	Licking	29%	Portage	18%	
Allen	37%	Fayette	41%	Logan	28%	Preble	41%	
Ashland	9%	Franklin	40%	Lorain	35%	Putnam	14%	
Ashtabula	23%	Fulton	18%	Lucas	24%	Richland	25%	
Athens	34%	Gallia	4%	Madison	21%	Ross	19%	
Auglaize	27%	Geauga	31%	Mahoning	12%	Sandusky	26%	
Belmont	24%	Greene	16%	Marion	22%	Scioto	37%	
Brown	16%	Guernsey	13%	Medina	55%	Seneca	20%	
Butler	42%	Hamilton	17%	Meigs	8%	Shelby	16%	
Carroll	13%	Hancock	30%	Mercer	51%	Stark	29%	
Champaign	29%	Hardin	11%	Miami	23%	Summit	25%	
Clark	5%	Harrison	39%	Monroe	23%	Trumbull	8%	
Clermont	37%	Henry	37%	Montgomery	24%	Tuscarawas	15%	
Clinton	15%	Highland	8%	Morgan	30%	Union	56%	
Columbiana	5%	Hocking	17%	Morrow	3%	Van Wert	12%	
Coshocton	9%	Holmes	3%	Muskingum	51%	Vinton	7%	
Crawford	26%	Huron	33%	Noble	24%	Warren	26%	
Cuyahoga	24%	Jackson	14%	Ottawa	16%	Washington	34%	
Darke	35%	Jefferson	11%	Paulding	15%	Wayne	10%	
Defiance	12%	Knox	29%	Perry	10%	Williams	35%	
Delaware	6%	Lake	19%	Pickaway	31%	Wood	52%	
Erie	19%	Lawrence	14%	Pike	8%	Wyandot	34%	
							<b>Summary</b>	<b>24%</b>

In addition to the Executive Order, the Kasich Administration has funded a partnership between DODD and Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities since 2013. Below is a summary of the progress of that partnership.

### Employment First Partnership with OOD

<b>Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors serving people with DD</b>	25
<b>Average Caseload Size</b>	50-60
<b>People with developmental disabilities served since Sept. 2013</b>	2,623
<b>Competitive Employment Placements/Closures</b>	488/465
<b>Average hours worked per week</b>	20
<b>Average hourly wages</b>	\$8.46

## Competitive Grants

Two competitive grants were awarded in the second quarter:

- **Integrated Community Supports Grant:** This grant will help DODD-certified providers to transform from facility-based to community-based services, with a focus on community-based employment and adult day services for individuals with complex needs. Strategic plans and other resources developed by these grants will be used as models to help facilitate transformations across the state. Four proposals were selected. The selected proposals are: Abilities in Action, Ability Works, Easter Seals Tri-State, and Starfire Council of Greater Cincinnati.
- **Intermediate Care Facility Grant:** This grant aims to facilitate the transition from facility-based to community-based services, with a focus on community-based employment and adult day services for individuals with complex needs. Outcomes and strategies from these pilots will be shared and act as models across the state. Three proposals were selected. The selected proposals are: Champaign Residential Services Incorporated, The Arc of Medina County, and Sunshine.

For more updates on these and other Project Transformation grants, please visit the Employment First website: [www.ohioemploymentfirst.org/](http://www.ohioemploymentfirst.org/)

## CMS Transition Plan and Conflict of Interest

In January 2014, the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued guidance on in which settings waiver services can be provided, and reminding states that the same entity can't provide both case management and waiver services. While not part of the Executive Budget, this represents significant work. Below is a summary of the work to help the State come into compliance with these rules.

### CMS Transition Plan

*Plan to ensure waiver services are provided in an integrated setting*

	Sites visited	No follow-up required	Remediation plan requested	Heightened Scrutiny evidence packet
Residential settings	4	1	3	
Day settings	0			

### Conflict of Interest

*Support County Boards in transitioning out of providing waiver services*

County	County Board*	Private Provider*	County	County Board*	Private Provider*	County	County Board*	Private Provider*
Adams	97.62%	2.38%	Hamilton	29.75%	70.25%	Noble	18.56%	81.44%
Allen	55.31%	44.69%	Hancock	27.27%	72.73%	Ottawa	0.00%	100.00%
Ashland	62.43%	37.57%	Hardin	67.75%	32.25%	Paulding	75.57%	24.43%
Ashtabula	58.59%	41.41%	Harrison	85.32%	14.68%	Perry	58.16%	41.84%
Athens	44.88%	55.12%	Henry	28.38%	71.62%	Pickaway	0.03%	99.97%
Auglaize	39.23%	60.77%	Highland	91.40%	8.60%	Pike	81.90%	18.10%
Belmont	0.00%	100.00%	Hocking	69.64%	30.36%	Portage	55.03%	44.97%
Brown	0.00%	100.00%	Holmes	90.90%	9.10%	Preble	0.00%	100.00%
Butler	26.20%	73.80%	Huron	92.64%	7.36%	Putnam	86.08%	13.92%
Carroll	37.16%	62.84%	Jackson	53.77%	46.23%	Richland	69.17%	30.83%
Champaign	59.46%	40.54%	Jefferson	77.50%	22.50%	Ross	0.12%	99.88%
Clark	20.06%	79.94%	Knox	0.00%	100.00%	Sandusky	82.49%	17.51%
Clermont	15.17%	84.83%	Lake	61.24%	38.76%	Scioto	73.31%	26.69%
Clinton	1.36%	98.64%	Lawrence	100.00%	0.00%	Seneca	67.43%	32.57%
Columbiana	62.81%	37.19%	Licking	9.06%	90.94%	Shelby	69.03%	30.97%
Coshocton	0.99%	99.01%	Logan	86.98%	13.02%	Stark	46.55%	53.45%
Crawford	100.00%	0.00%	Lorain	75.59%	24.41%	Summit	33.36%	66.64%
Cuyahoga	56.60%	43.40%	Lucas	43.31%	56.69%	Trumbull	66.20%	33.80%
Darke	82.54%	17.46%	Madison	0.00%	100.00%	Tuscarawas	58.48%	41.52%
Defiance	60.52%	39.48%	Mahoning	50.84%	49.16%	Union	18.89%	81.11%
Delaware	0.00%	100.00%	Marion	96.64%	3.36%	Van Wert	88.59%	11.41%
Erie	0.00%	100.00%	Medina	75.00%	25.00%	Vinton	55.13%	44.87%
Fairfield	67.93%	32.07%	Meigs	90.16%	9.84%	Warren	65.95%	34.05%
Fayette	61.90%	38.10%	Mercer	69.90%	30.10%	Washington	74.75%	25.25%
Franklin	60.01%	39.99%	Miami	42.22%	57.78%	Wayne	4.17%	95.83%
Fulton	58.91%	41.09%	Monroe	98.41%	1.59%	Williams	81.87%	18.13%
Gallia	88.34%	11.66%	Montgomery	66.84%	33.16%	Wood	59.98%	40.02%
Geauga	0.00%	100.00%	Morgan	96.09%	3.91%	Wyandot	85.55%	14.45%
Greene	72.53%	27.47%	Morrow	94.99%	5.01%	Summary	47.84%	52.16%
Guernsey	69.69%	30.31%	Muskingum	70.54%	29.46%			

*\*Claims data is for first quarter FY2015 (dates of service between July 1, 2014, and September 30, 2014). Percentages may change as claims continue to be paid.*