A letter from the CEO and Board Chair

Dear Supporter,

This past year has been one of growth and opportunity for the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH) as we pursue our mission with continued energy and commitment to serve the needs of our community through our partnerships with more than 30 community-based provider agencies in the ADAMH network of care.

ADAMH providers remained a source of community resilience and support in the second year of a global pandemic responding to a growing demand for alcohol, addiction and mental health services. Our community is stronger because of the safety net of providers and we thank them for the continued partnership and commitment.

In 2021, ADAMH trustees and staff continued to evaluate how to better meet growing community needs with a greater focus on equity and access. Informed by organizational and community assessments, ADAMH created a five-year strategic plan to serve as a roadmap and identified five strategic priorities to guide our work:

• Strengthen county wide service delivery
• Measure impact of ADAMH investments
• Enhance behavioral health system workforce
• Expand communications and community engagement
• Align organization for network success

There are new team members in the Clinical Services and Provider Relations division that are aligned with provider agencies to better manage those important relationships. A new Advocacy and Engagement team was created to strengthen community relationships, develop new partnerships and advocate for policy, legislation and funding decisions that support the behavioral health needs of all Franklin County residents now and in the future.

There is power in the ADAMH network, all working toward common goals, to improve alcohol, mental health and addiction outcomes for individuals and families across Franklin County.

Together, we are ADAMH, Where Better Begins for so many of our friends and neighbors.

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ADAMH is funded with federal, state and local dollars, with nearly 62% of the 2021 budget from a single property tax levy approved by Franklin County voters. These funds support vital mental health and addiction services and supports delivered through the ADAMH provider network.

Franklin County ADAMH funding supports alcohol, drug and mental health services for individuals and families in Franklin County, regardless of ability to pay. While many ADAMH-funded services are available to the most vulnerable populations, including those who are under-insured or uninsured, 24/7 crisis services are available to everyone in the community. Additionally ADAMH-funded prevention services are provided in every public school district in Franklin County.

### System of Care Investments
ADAMH makes investments in six areas:

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### 2021 Actual Revenues

- **Levy Funds**: $61,503,265 (61.89%)
- **State Funds**: $18,707,222 (18.83%)
- **Federal Funds**: $13,895,944 (13.98%)
- **Local Funds**: $3,816,454 (3.84%)
- **Miscellaneous Funds**: $1,448,162 (1.46%)
- **Total**: $99,371,048

*Expenditures exceed revenue due to planned incremental spend down of ADAMH end-of-year 2020 fund balance.*
Creating a Healthier Community for All

Ohio COVID Cares

To ensure underserved communities most impacted by the pandemic were connected to crisis services, ADAMH launched the Ohio's COVID Care Program. Funded through a FEMA grant provided through the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the program ran from January through October 2021, supporting community-based resource teams providing on-the-ground outreach and connection to free financial, food, housing, and health services through three providers: National Church Residences, Community for New Direction, and Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services. A multi-language marketing campaign supported outreach efforts and digital ads linked to a dedicated helpline at Netcare.

If you’ve been affected by COVID-19, we are here to help! Connect to FREE food, financial and health resources. CALL OHIO’S COVID CARE PROGRAM AT (614) 310-3126

**Ohio COVID Cares Community Touchpoints**

- Individual Crisis Counseling - 12,195
- Group Counseling/Public Education - 3,785
- Brief Educational/Supportive Contact - 14,203
- Materials Distributed - 35,776

*19.5% of individuals served did not report race or ethnicity; all other racial/ethnic identities reported at <2% each.*
Enhancing the Continuum of Crisis Care

The ADAMH network advanced the work of enhancing the crisis care continuum, ensuring there is always somewhere to call, someone to respond and a place to go.

In 2021, work began to strengthen our community’s existing crisis call center infrastructure, including how to dovetail with 911 Emergency call line and the local implementation of the 988 roll out for mental health and suicide prevention calls planned for 2022.

Other priorities include the 2022 expansion of community-based mobile crisis response teams to include civilian personnel, such as social workers, peers and clinicians and informing the public safety model in collaboration with City of Columbus departments of police and fire and the Franklin County Sheriff’s office.

The cornerstone of the crisis continuum is the Franklin County Mental Health and Addiction Crisis Center, which will break ground in late 2022, as the central and preferred destination for adult mental health and addiction crisis needs.

Putting SOR Funds to Work: Saving Lives Franklin County

The ADAMH network continues to respond to the overdose death crisis in Franklin County. With deployment of nearly $2 million in State Opioid Response (SOR) funds made available through the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. These funds supported additional lifesaving naloxone in hardest hit ZIP codes and critical services including recovery housing, medication assisted treatment and transportation to treatment.

As part of a SOR grant, more than 50 key locations across Ohio now have additional immediate access to naloxone, the lifesaving overdose reversal medication, available to the community access through a collaboration between the ADAMH, Columbus Metropolitan Library, Columbus Recreation and Parks and additional partners.

In late 2021, ADAMH began purchasing 150 NaloxBox kits and installing them in public spaces in ZIP codes experiencing higher numbers of overdoses. ADAMH providers, Southeast Healthcare and CompDrug, support NaloxBox partner locations with training and ongoing maintenance of the boxes.

included in images to the right: (Photo by Columbus Metropolitan Library) Erika Clark Jones, CEO, ADAMH; Lori Criss, Director, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; and other community partners from RecoveryOhio, Southeast Healthcare, Columbus Metropolitan Library, and CompDrug Community Health.
ADAMH Mission and Vision

Mission
The ADAMH Board of Franklin County leads the planning, funding, and evaluation of community-based recovery-oriented mental health and addiction prevention, treatment, and support services for residents of Franklin County.

Vision
All individuals and families in Franklin County can achieve optimal mental health and wellness, free from stigma, with equitable access to quality community-based services and supports.

Hotline Numbers
Immediate Crisis Assistance:

614.276.2723
Adults in Crisis
Netcare Access

614.722.1800
Youth (17 and under) in crisis
Nationwide Children’s Hospital

614.221.5445
Franklin County Suicide Prevention Hotline

ADAMH Provider Network

447 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215
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Additional resources available at adamhfranklin.org