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FOSTER CARE

- **Child(ren) with immediate safety issues**
- **Abused**
- **Neglected**
- **Dependent**
- **The Worst Day of their Lives**

LEVELS OF CARE

- Home
- Kinship/Relative
- Family Foster Home



➤ **Treatment Foster Home**

- Congregate Care
 - Group Home
 - Residential Treatment
 - Detention

NEEDS OF YOUTH

- **Multiple system involvement**
- **Behavioral concerns younger and younger**
- **Delinquency**
- **Heightened and alarming behaviors requiring specialized care**

PLACEMENT SEARCH

- **Interests/ Strengths:** 12 year old male
- **Diagnosis:** Disruptive mood dysregulation disorder, oppositional defiant disorder, ADHD, PTSD
- **Behaviors:**
 - Lying, yelling, racial slurs, hitting, arguing, cussing, offensive language, physically aggressive towards peers and adults, altercations with staff and residents, spits on and threatens physical harm to staff and residents, runaway, property damage, theft, false accusations of staff



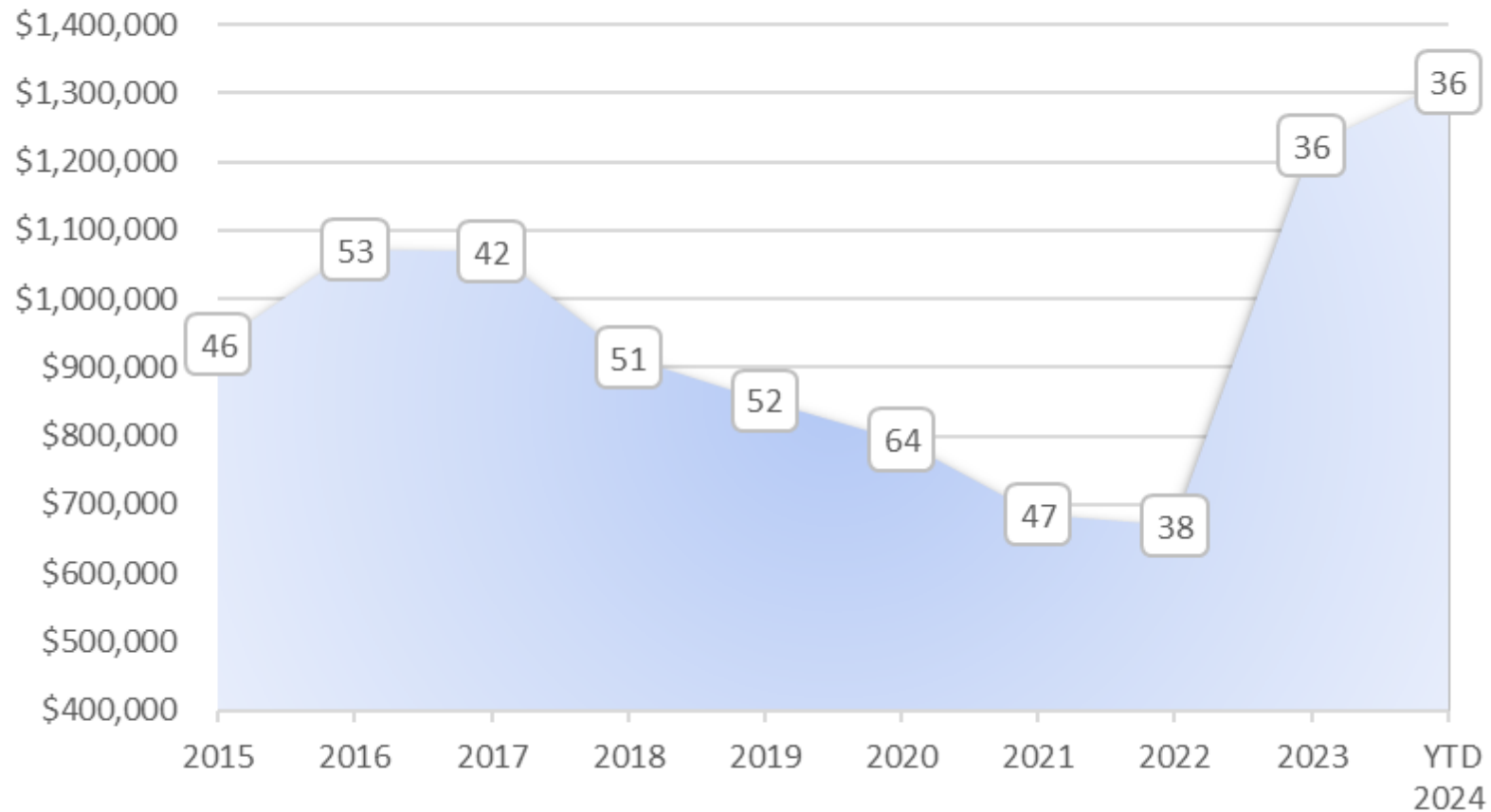
PLACEMENT SEARCH

- **Interests/ Strengths:**
 - 12 year old girl, kind, loving, loves stuffed animals and to draw and play games. Positive most of the time
- **Diagnosis:**
 - Autism, ADHD, Adjustment Disorder, Disruptive Mood dysregulation disorder, social communication disorder, speech disorder, developmental delays, multiple daily medications
- **Behaviors:**
 - Experienced neglect, physical and sexual abuse. Fixates on staff and seeks out sexual behaviors and needs to be supervised. Runaway, physically combative and verbally aggressive to staff and peers, encourages others to run away with her







COSTS

Ottawa County Foster Care Cost Trend




WHERE ARE CHILDREN PLACED?

Children in Residential Treatment or Group Homes in 2022

-  Sandusky County
-  Seneca County
-  Wyandot County
-  Ottawa County



 Douglasville, Georgia

COSTS

- **Group Homes and Residential Treatment Facilities**
\$400/day = \$146k/year
 - Some are upwards of \$850-\$1,000/day
- **Treatment Foster Care \$100/day = \$36,500/year**
- **Each youth placed in Treatment Homes in lieu of Group Homes saves approx. \$100k/year per youth**

OUR MODEL

- Partners
- Shared Staff
- Common Policies
- Shared Rates
- Shared Recruitment
- Specialized Training
- Share Homes
- Shared Cost



OUR WORK

- **12 homes recruited, developed, trained as Treatment Foster Homes**
- **5 more treatment homes pending**
- **Expanded Northwest program from 3 to 5 counties**
- **Helping Ohio expand into 29 additional counties**
- **Pilot expansion consultants**

RESULTS TO DATE

- 19 youth have been placed in Treatment Foster Homes
- Siblings can be placed together
- 3 youth now in Treatment Homes
 - \$492/day to \$50/day
 - \$350/day to \$100/day
 - \$466/ day to \$100/ day
- Participating in a ROI research project to evaluate social impact

Treatment Foster Home Pilot Program

\$2 million being provided across 34 counties to help connect high-need foster children with loving families

COUNTIES (REGIONS)

- Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca, Wood, and Wyandot counties
- Allen, Auglaize, and Hardin counties
- Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, and Williams counties
- Crawford, Erie, and Huron counties
- Ashtabula, Mahoning, and Trumbull counties
- Columbiana, Medina, and Portage counties
- Guernsey, Holmes, and Wayne counties
- Belmont, Jefferson, and Morgan counties
- Athens, Jackson, and Perry counties
- Butler, Clermont, and Montgomery counties



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FURTHER EXPANSION

- 5 treatment homes pending license/ approval
- OneOhio funding helping us to expand home based mental health programming for our Treatment Foster Homes
- Creative technology
- NW began with 1 staff – now 3 dedicated staff members



Questions?