



The Center

2024/2025
Annual Report



From the Executive Director

Contemporary Turkish playwright, Mehmet Murat Ildan once stated, “A lighthouse is not interested in who gets its light! It just gives without thinking! Giving light is its nature!”

I believe that at the core of The Center, we, too, desire to shine light into every individual we have the opportunity to support. We shine light into our community to help illuminate the path toward healing, we shine light upon individuals to remind them of their value and worth, and we assist others to find their light so that they can proceed through their own journeys of discovery. Regardless of race, sexual orientation, gender identification, political leaning, status in the community, or payor source, we shine our light to all.

In FY25, we had more than 840 client engagements within our building and hundreds of more encounters with our community engagements efforts. This year we also saw the passage of the 708 Mental Health Referendum, which will result in hundreds of more people served through a variety of innovative outreach programs. Not only has 708 allowed us to serve in different capacities, it will help us ensure sustainability so that The Center’s light, which has helped people find their way for over 55 years, will endure for years to come. Our leadership team is excited about the outlook for the future and thankful for the continued support of our amazing community. We remain vigilant that our mission is too important to fail and that together we can change the world!

Humbly,

Tony Kirkman, LCPC
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

David McLearn
BOARD PRESIDENT

The Center is
committed to
providing the highest
quality of care,
compassion, and support.
Consider becoming a
financial partner.

Our Mission

To inspire hope by supporting and advocating individuals, families, and the community

Our Vision

To be a trusted partner for supporting healthy lives and building relationships in our community

Our Values

- Respect for uniqueness and cultural differences
- Excellence in quality of our services
- Compassion-based approaches to services
- Integrity demonstrated in all operations of the organization
- Collaborative and Community-enriching solutions to combat present needs

Our Core Service Areas

DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Community Day Services, Adult and Child Home-based Services, Respite, Family & Intermittent CILA, Vocational Training, and Special Olympics

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

School-based Youth Prevention Activities, Coalition Building, Communication Campaigns, and Special Events

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Counseling, Psychiatry, Case Management, Vocational Training, Community Education

ADDICTION SERVICES

Assessment, Individual and Group Counseling, Recovery Support, & DUI Services

The Center is proud to be
CARF accredited since 1997!

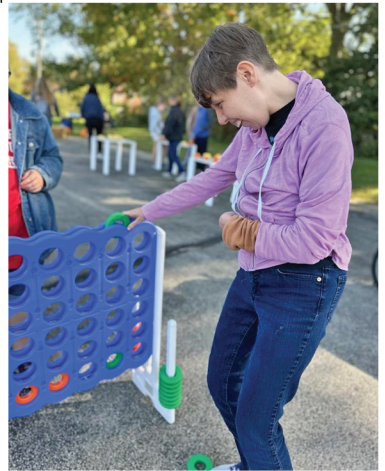


Developmental Services

Our goal is to provide services in an environment that promotes support to individual initiative, autonomy, and independence in making life choices. Through informed choice making, individuals in programming have the freedom to set their own schedule based upon individual preferences. Our agency is proud to serve not only Piatt, but most surrounding counties.

Individuals are supported in community engagement on an ongoing and frequent basis. The many community collaborations allow for ongoing learning opportunities for individuals served in programming. In addition to the many community activities, our programs offer a variety of weekly educational classes and individual programming based upon preferences of those served. The goal of each program is the success of the individual served. We believe one of the many ways our services are above the rest is our commitment to providing the most enriching experience for each individual.

If you or your organization would like to learn more about our services or ways you can partner with us to significantly impact individuals with developmental disabilities, we would love to hear from you.



Questions? Contact **Amy Dresback**, Developmental Services Director, at 217.762.8546 or adresback@piattmhc.org.

Thank You To Our Community Employers!

By providing employment opportunities for our vocational service participants, community employers positively influence individuals' emotional, financial and social well-being. Each individual placement is based on the personal preference of the person served.

The vocational program offers services to individuals who are 18 years or older with a vocational disability. Services included in this program are job development and job coaching. Many of the services offered are in partnership with the Division of Rehabilitation.

To learn more, contact
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Prevention Services

The Prevention Education Department provides evidence-based youth prevention education to 5th thru high school aged-students in Piatt and DeWitt County schools. Our Prevention Team has also partnered with all DeWitt and Piatt County schools to implement the 2024 IYS and shared this data with community stakeholders later this past year. Results from these surveys can be found by visiting <https://iys.cprd.illinois.edu/results/county> (or scan the QR code)



Recovery Support Program

We are quite proud that members of the Recovery Community have been supported and resourced through our Recovery-Oriented System of Care (ROSC) in Piatt County for over four years and for over 2 years in DeWitt County. These programs strive to reduce stigma related to the disease of addiction, increase access to support services, and to provide community for those in recovery. We also hold monthly community stakeholders meet in each County to assess, discuss, and plan ways to best methods to advance recovery efforts and eliminate stigma in the community. If you or someone you know would be interested in participating in either the Piatt or DeWitt County ROSC Councils, please check out our FB pages:



Questions? Contact **Jaime Porter**, LCSW, Clinical Director, at 217.762.5371 or jporter@piattmhc.org.

Mental Health & Addiction Services

According to the National Institute of Mental Health one in five U.S. adults live with a mental illness (59.3 million in 2022; 23.1% of the U.S. adult population). In addition, 20% of all teens live with a mental health condition and suicide is the 3rd leading cause of death in individuals 15-24. In addition, 20% of all teens live with a mental health condition and suicide is the 3rd leading cause of death in individuals ages 10-24. While most of these individuals are able to lead very full and productive lives, many choose to utilize counseling and/or medication to assist them in addressing these needs. The Center is committed to walking along with them in their pursuit of wholeness.

At The Center, those who utilize our mental health outpatient, alcohol/substance use, or recovery support services will experience a high level of compassionate, clinical care by professionals who meet the high standards that have been long associated with our organization. While we realize that situations in an individual's life can be stressful and overwhelming to face alone, we are here to help.

- Masters prepared, licensed, clinically diverse staff
- Serving seniors, adults, youth, children, families, couples
- After school and evening hour appointments
- Psychiatric evaluations and medication monitoring

OF THOSE SERVED BY THE CENTER THIS PAST YEAR

818 unduplicated
mental health
consumers

18 counties

60% Piatt County
residents

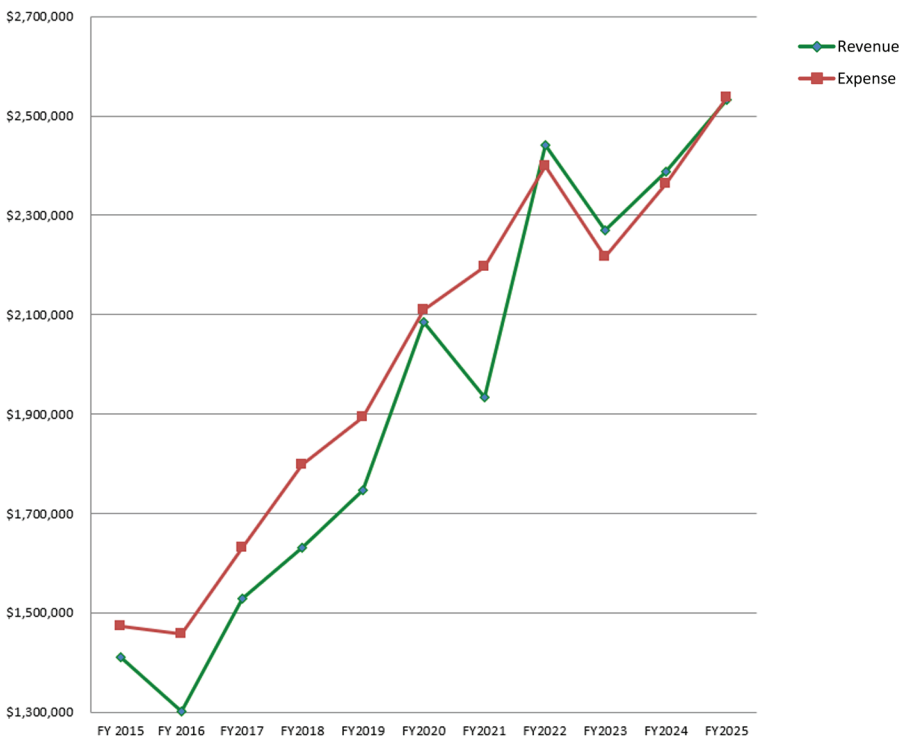
For more information regarding mental health and addiction services, contact **Jaime Porter, LCSW**, Clinical Director at 217.762.5371 or jporter@piattmhc.org.

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT, CALL

(217) 762 - 5371

MONDAY 8:30am-4:30pm	TUESDAY 8am-6pm	WEDNESDAY 8:30am-4:30pm	THURSDAY 8:30am-6pm	FRIDAY 8:30am-4:30pm
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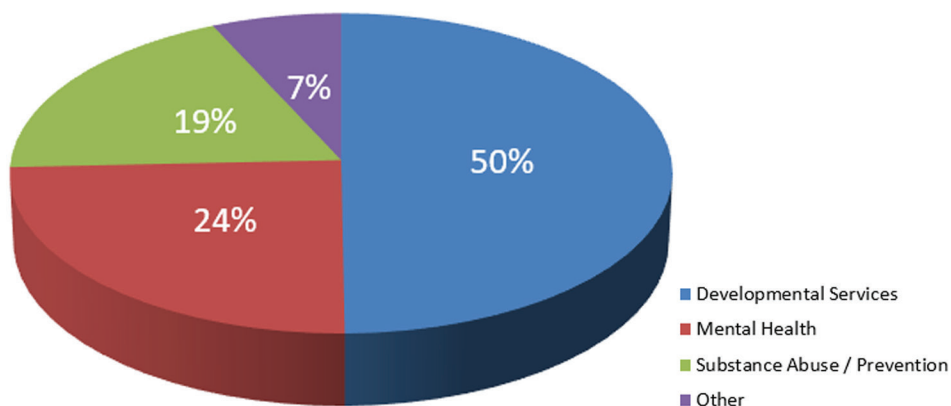
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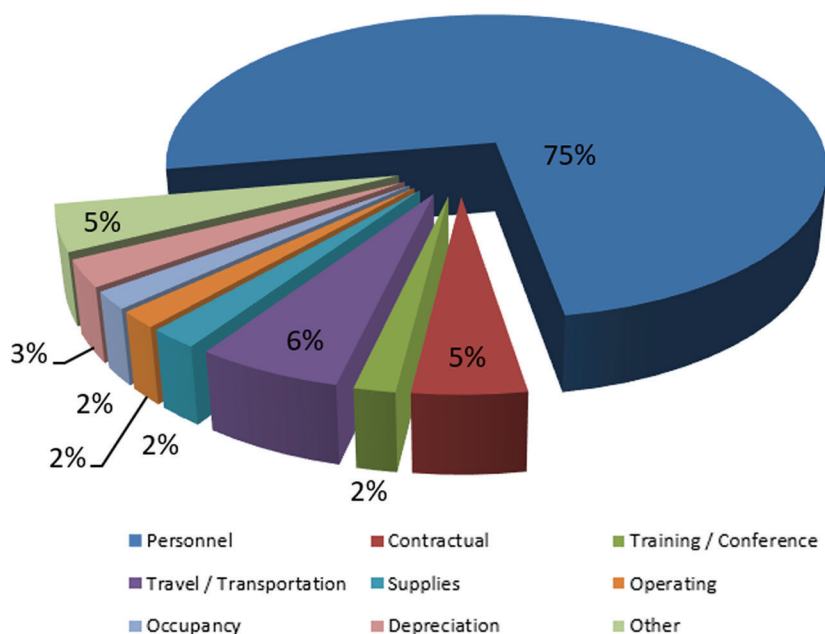
For the third consecutive year, reports show that The Center finished without an operating deficit. Some of those years had a few anomalies related to unexpected revenue gains through grants and supplemental funding streams, but this past year can mostly be attributed to influx in financial partnership of the 708 Mental Health Board of Piatt County. This generous collaboration has helped us address the deficit between operating cost and a poor reimbursement rate for Medicaid Services as well as to initiate a few exciting programs that will benefit our community. This past year, The Center saw a flat net balance, despite us making significant investments into our amazing workforce. While we took on these rising expenses to labor as well as operating, we were thrilled that revenue was able to cover these costs. Despite now having 708 MHBPC support that greatly enhances sustainability, we will continue to look at ways to maintain wise financial practices without compromising on quality of care.

** FY25 final audited figures will be available after October 2025. Contact **Dustin DeNeal, CFO**, for additional financial reporting information at ddeneal@piattmhc.org.*

FY25 Total Agency Revenue by Program



FY25 Total Agency Expense by Category



Looking Ahead To Fiscal Year 2025/2026

FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

In FY25, we were able to repaint several CDS Classrooms, a few internal hallways, and totally renovate our reception area. We were also able to integrate a new video surveillance system, replace a couple AC units and several staff computers. For FY26, we are still trying to secure funding to renovate (2) internal restrooms to enhance accessibility and assess and identify ways to make us more efficient with utility usage. We also plan to start addressing our aging vehicle fleet, replace additional AC units, and work to upgrade several pieces of our IT system to ensure optimal performance for billing and security.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Center continues to be quite proud of the many collaborative efforts made within our community. This includes partnerships with our Piatt/DeWitt ROSC Councils, DeWitt County Mental Health Board, Piatt County Mental Health Board, Sexual Abuse Response Team, Community Coordinated Response Team (DV Focus), Piatt County Nonprofit Groups, Piatt County Service Provider Council, Local Emergency Planning Committee, as well as continued to identify fruitful collaborations with all of our Piatt County School Districts.

AGENCY BUDGET / STRATEGIC PLANNING

In the upcoming year, the leadership team will continue to assess what programmatic and financial decision will be needed to best support our community needs as well as identify any fruitful, emerging partnership opportunities. Funding changes, service delivery changes, and moves within the available workforce will be significant areas to be closely monitored. Lastly, The Center will be working in tandem with the 708 Mental Health Board of Piatt County to identify emerging mental health, substance use, and developmental service needs of the County and what response is needed to address these needs.

Governing Board

A nine-member Board of Directors composed of residents within Piatt County serves as the Piatt County Mental Health governing body.

Board members are appointed by the Piatt County Board and serve a three-year term.

The Board is responsible for

- hiring the Executive Director
- establishing and/or approving goals, policies, and procedures
- assisting with program development and evaluation
- monitoring The Center's financial operations.

If you have interest in serving on The Center's Board of Directors, contact **Tony Kirkman**, Executive Director, at 217.762.5371 or tkirkman@piattmhc.org.

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

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in Piatt County and beyond!



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