

**Antrim County  
Department  
of  
Health and Human Services**



**2019 Annual Report**

*The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services strives to promote better health outcomes, reduce health risks, and support stable and safe families while encouraging self-sufficiency.*

# Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

## Assistance Programs

### Universal Caseload (UCL)

Antrim County DHHS continues to service public assistance cases through the Universal Caseload system. This task-based processing system allows a pool of caseworkers to handle pooled cases. A Contact Center receives phone calls and sends them to a caseworker located in the same geographic area as the client. When Antrim County initially began the UCL process, we were in a GeoGroup with 9 other counties. During FY19, we did make changes to our GeoGroup to improve efficiency and timelier services to clients. Antrim County is now in a 5 county GeoGroup consisting of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Cheboygan, and Presque Isle.

Since the change in size and geographical area, we have seen a significant decrease in our backlog as well as an improvement in our response time and service to clients. MDHHS continues to monitor this system to determine if state-wide roll-out will occur.

**Total Eligible Recipients by Program**

Month	Family Independence Program (FIP)	Food Assistance Program (FAP)	State Disability Assistance (SDA)	Child Development and Care (CDC)	Medicaid Eligible (MA)	Healthy Michigan Program (HMP)
Jan	28	1722	4	66	3802	1676
Feb	27	1710	2	65	3824	1702
March	18	1719	2	68	3788	1698
April	24	1699	2	72	3792	1718
May	23	1637	3	73	3675	1671
June	28	1668	2	76	3588	1618
July	25	1625	2	86	3554	1608
Aug	23	1633	2	90	3560	1609
Sept	25	1588	1	72	3558	1606
Oct	23	1587	1	68	3576	1623
Nov	18	1579	1	66	3563	1623
Dec	21	1643	3	64	3551	1647

In 2019 we saw the following regarding recipients enrolled in our various programs:

- 15% decrease in the Family Independence Program (FIP)
- 14% decrease in the Family Assistance Program (FAP)
- State Disability Assistance remained the same
- 14% increase in the Child Development and Care Program (CDC)
- 3% decrease in the Medicaid Program (MA)
- 4% increase in the Health Michigan Program (HMP)

## Cash into Antrim County through DHHS programs (FY '19)

FIP (cash assistance) (18% decrease from FY18)	\$45,022.00
Food Assistance (17% decrease from FY18)	\$2,048,849.00
Child Day Care (15% increase from FY18)	\$146,859.00
State Emergency Relief (36% increase from FY18)	\$234,441.00
State Disability (36% decrease from FY18)	\$8,898.00
<b>Total (13% decrease from FY18)</b>	<b>\$2,484,069.00</b>

## Child Welfare Initiatives

*In August 2019 Antrim County was the host site for the Annual MDHHS MiTeam/CQI Conference. Staff from across the State gathered together for two days at Shanty Creek Resort to discuss and continue to improve our MiTEAM approach to child welfare. The MiTEAM Practice Model is an approach to case practice that incorporates the vision, guiding principles, and Key Caseworker Activities (KCAs) needed to implement the mission of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) successfully. The model is a trauma-informed approach to child welfare practice based on the fundamental belief that all children deserve to be safe from harm, raised in loving, committed families, and provided the kinds of supports to build their well-being. This model was developed with the understanding that the vast majority of children in foster care have experienced complex trauma, which can significantly harm individual and familial development. Trauma-informed child welfare systems respond by educating parents and caregivers on the potential developmental impact of trauma, screen children for trauma, refer children and parents for clinical trauma assessments, collaborate with mental health providers to link children to evidence-based and supported trauma services, develop resiliency-based case plans and recognize the necessity of building workforce resiliency both at the individual staff and organizational levels. Since implementing this model, we have seen better engagement with families and greater success in keeping children safely in their own homes.*

*DHHS is continually working on improving the child welfare system so that children and families are provided the best opportunities to remain together in safe, stable environments. Antrim County has 6 Children's Protective Services workers, 2 Foster Care workers, 1 licensing worker and 3 Supervisors who work diligently to ensure the safety and well-being of the children and families in Antrim County.*

## **Child Welfare Cases**

In 2019, Antrim County Children's Protective Services staff completed 260 investigations of Child Abuse/Neglect. In 61 of those cases, a preponderance of evidence was found that child abuse and/or neglect had occurred, and services were provided to families. This is very similar to FY18 information.

13 Abuse/Neglect petitions were filed in Probate Court resulting in 17 children coming under the jurisdiction of the Antrim County Probate Court.

6 adoptions were finalized in Antrim County in 2019.

In 2019, we combined our Child Placing license through the Department of Child and Welfare Licensing with Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. As a tri-county we have 22 licensed foster homes, 5 of them are located in Antrim County. Our licensing program continues to grow with staff attending numerous recruitment activities including school sporting events, presenting information to community groups and churches and other community events.

## **Adult Programs**

DHHS offers a variety of programs to protect, encourage independence and advocate for frail and vulnerable adults in Michigan. Our programs can assist with independent living (home help), adult foster care and homes for the aged, adult protective services and support for those dealing with HIV/AIDS.

In 2019, Antrim County received the following new Adult Protective Services referrals:

Adult Protective Services:	185 referrals
	94 investigations

We also served on average each month 70 adults through our Independent Living Program and Adult Community Placement Program. We have 1 Adult Worker for the County who stays very busy ensuring the safety and well-being of our vulnerable adult population.

<b>Antrim County Social Welfare Fund</b>
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We were able to meet extra needs and provide additional services to children and families through the Social Welfare Fund as well as cover administrative costs for the Meadow Brook Governing Board/Antrim County Human Services Board.

The following is a breakdown of expenditures in FY19:

Board salaries:	\$4,989.66
MCSSA dues:	1,436.55
Foster parents/children:	2,335.86
Administrative	825.00
Admin copier	<u>384.56</u>
	\$9,971.63

**ANTRIM COUNTY SOCIAL WELFARE BOARD REPORT 2019**

REVENUE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
<b>Social Welfare</b>													
Beg Balance (carryover)	\$ 1,834.80												\$ 1,834.80
1st appropriation		\$ 7,437.00											\$ 7,437.00
2nd appropriation											\$ 2,500.00		\$ 2,500.00
Mineral Rights													\$ -
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 1,834.80</b>	<b>\$ 7,437.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 11,771.80</b>							

DISBURSEMENTS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
<b>Social Welfare</b>													
Board Salaries	\$ 1,327.55					\$ 1,169.10			\$ 1,206.24		\$ 1,184.77		\$ 4,887.66
MCSSA dues			\$ 1,436.55									\$ 402.56	\$ 1,436.55
Foster Family Christmas Party			\$ 207.14										\$ 609.70
Dunn's Copier						\$ 384.56							\$ 384.56
Foster Family Assistance						\$ 180.20	\$ 105.96						\$ 286.16
Pleasant Valley Bible Camp						\$ 300.00							\$ 300.00
MAC Conference							\$ 525.00						\$ 525.00
Summer preschool									\$ 1,140.00				\$ 1,140.00
Reunification Assistance												\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
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<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 1,327.55</b>	<b>\$ 7,944.25</b>	<b>\$ 1,643.69</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.56</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.56</b>	<b>\$ 1,733.86</b>	<b>\$ 405.96</b>	<b>\$ 525.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,346.24</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,184.77</b>	<b>\$ 702.56</b>	<b>\$ 9,869.63</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 507.25</b>	<b>\$ 7,944.25</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.56</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.56</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.56</b>	<b>\$ 4,566.70</b>	<b>\$ 4,160.74</b>	<b>\$ 3,635.74</b>	<b>\$ 1,289.50</b>	<b>\$ 1,289.50</b>	<b>\$ 2,604.73</b>	<b>\$ 1,902.17</b>	<b>\$ 1,902.17</b>

\*4th Quarter Board pay is \$1,429.55. Payment is reflected on 2020 spreadsheet. Fund balance at end of year is \$472.62