



**Mental Health & Recovery Board  
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# Vote FOR Mental Health

*Keep a Good Thing Going!*

## Madison County Mental Health Levy Fact Sheet

**Election Date:**

**November 3, 2009**

The Mental Health Levy is on all Madison County ballots.

**Important Levy Facts:**

- **NO INCREASE!**
- This is a 0.5 mil **RENEWAL** levy.
- Madison County levy dollars are spent **ONLY** on Madison County residents.
- The cost is the same \$12.65 for the owner of a \$100,000 home. This is just over \$1 a month.
- This levy will allow us to continue to support families with mental health problems.
- Any decrease in funding will result in a decrease in services for people with mental health problems.

**Key Messages:**

State of Ohio funding for mental health and recovery services has been cut by 35%. Failure of the levy will result in an additional 16% cut with further reduction of services.

- **Mental health and alcohol/drug services were provided to almost 1,400 Madison County residents and their families last year.**
- In the past 8 years, the number of people who accessed mental health services increased by 136%.
- In the past 8 years, the number of people who accessed alcohol/drug services increased by 76%.
- In the past 8 years, the number of children and youth who accessed mental health and alcohol/drug services increased by over 50%.

**Every dollar lost curtails services to Madison County residents with mental health and alcohol/drug problems.**

This levy funds treatment and supportive services including:

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| ■ Crisis response services           | ■ Strengthening Families Program   |
| ■ Collaborative service coordination | ■ Treatment for court referrals  |
| ■ Suicide prevention                 | ■ Incredible Years Program   |
| ■ Psychiatric evaluation             | ■ Mental health & alcohol/drug counseling for youth, adults and families |

**For Information,  
Assistance,  
Volunteer or  
Contribute:**

Mental Health Levy Campaign Website: [www.mhrb.org/levy.html](http://www.mhrb.org/levy.html)

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— Parent in Madison County

*“My wife and I knew when we married that we wanted children. What we didn’t know was that we didn’t know how to be parents. By age three our oldest daughter had complete control of our lives. The Incredible Years program taught us about child development, how to set limits and give praise and effective ways to handle our daughter’s behavior. It has been a life-saver in our marriage!”*

— A Family in Mt. Sterling

**HOW YOU CAN HELP PASS THE MADISON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH LEVY:**

- Place a **YARD SIGN** to show your support for mental health
- Encourage your **FRIENDS** and **FAMILY** to vote YES for the mental health levy
- Pass out this **FACT SHEET** to your friends and family
- **REGISTER** to vote by October 5th and help others **VOTE EARLY**
- **DRIVE OTHERS** to the polls to vote

If you would like to make a contribution (*NOTE: contributions are not tax deductible*) to the Madison County Mental Health Levy Campaign, make your check payable to:

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