

ANNUAL REPORT

McHenry County Sales Tax Dollars at Work



Mission

To lead and contract for quality health (mental health and substance use disorder) and intellectual/developmental disability prevention and treatment services for all people of McHenry County, Illinois.

Vision

McHenry County residents experience optimal mental wellness through access to an integrated system of behavioral healthcare and intellectual/developmental disability services of excellent quality representing a recovery and resiliency focused, consumer driven, and inclusive community-based continuum of care.

Values

- We lead the way in transforming lives and systems through partnership and planning.
- We empower individuals and families toward mental wellness and resiliency.
- We are accountable for quality, cost-effective services.
- We value diversity in services, staff, and community.
- We provide education in order to aid recovery and prevention.
- We provide equity and accessibility to services regardless of one's ability to pay.

McHenry County Fiscal Year

2025

December 1, 2024 - November 30, 2025

FY 25 FINANCIAL SUMMARY



The Mental Health Board policy, in accordance with the Community Mental Health Act, ILCS Chapter 405, Act 20, Section 0.1, et. seq. stipulates that funds allocated by the McHenry County Mental Health Board may be used to contract for mental health, substance abuse, and developmental disability services.

Sales Tax Funds (Fund 211)

Expenditures - Community Services and Supports (1)	
22nd Judicial Circuit of McHenry County	298,099
Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health	298,045
Association for Individual Development	294,953
Aunt Martha's Health & Wellness	400,000
Best Communities (Peer Support Training Hub)	45,170
Child Advocacy Center	135,000
Clearbrook	469,356
Consumer Credit Counseling	35,000
Crystal Lake Teen Center - The Break	118,927
Family Health Partnership	127,300
Greater Family Health	490,186
Home of the Sparrow	343,020
Horizons Behavioral Health	290,000
Independence Health & Therapy	380,812
McHenry County Sheriff's Office	300,000
McHelp App Support (LEAD)	20,150
NAMI - McHenry County	395,000
Network Grant Writer (Jon Thomas Consulting)	50,000
Network Promotion and Marketing	21,925
Network Training	22,695
New Directions Addiction Recovery Services	779,750
NIMC Northwestern Medicine	338,000
Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association	46,378
Northern Illinois Recovery	285,054
Northwest CASA	141,829
Options and Advocacy	498,000
Other Program Contractual	6,904
Pioneer Center	957,777
Rosecrance	705,148
Thresholds	576,100
Transitional Living Services	212,762
Transportation Funds (Kaizen)	47,831
Trauma Informed Care Program (Gary Rukin)	35,000
Turning Point	688,255
Warp Corps	446,638
Youth & Family Services of McHenry County	285,000
Grand Total Community Services & Support	\$ 10,586,064

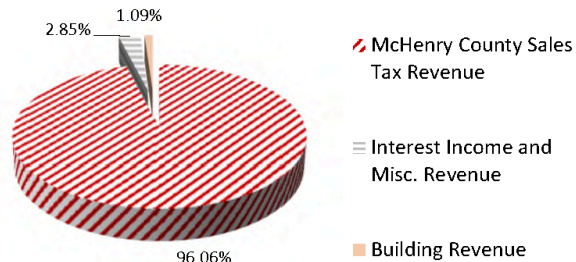
Mental Health Board Administration (Admin/Bldg)

Building Occupancy Expense	179,145
Administrative Salaries and Benefits	956,051
General Administration	337,886
Total Mental Health Board Administration	\$ 1,473,082
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 12,059,146
REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (444,779)
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of the year	\$ 10,846,481
FUND BALANCE - End of the Year	\$ 10,401,701

Footnotes:

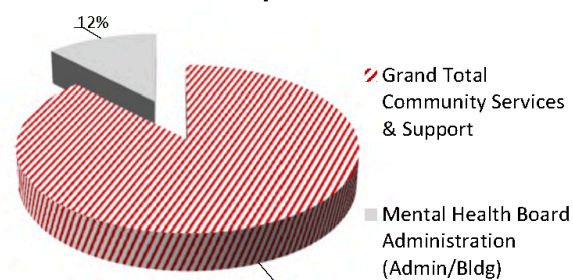
1) McHenry County audits for 2025 will not be finalized until at least the end of May 2026. As a result, at the time of printing, this financial summary is based on unaudited data.

FY 2025 Revenue



McHenry County Sales Tax Revenue	11,156,562
Interest Income and Misc. Revenue	331,476
Building Revenue	126,328
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 11,614,367

FY 2025 Expenditures



Opioid Settlement Funds (Fund 220)

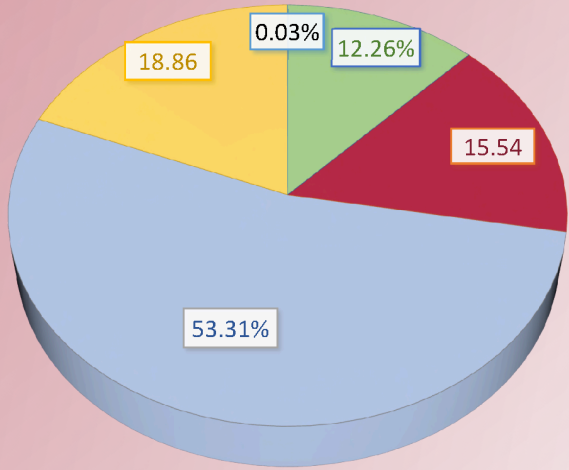
Revenue - Opioid Settlement Funds	
Opioid Settlement Funds	502,124
Interest Income	44,320
Total Revenue	\$ 546,444
Expenditures - Opioid Settlement Funds	
Live 4 Lali	459,040
Mathers Recovery	33,333
Northern Illinois Recovery	50,000
Total Expenses	\$ 542,373
REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,070
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of the year	\$ 1,063,067
FUND BALANCE - End of the Year	\$ 1,067,137

FY25 STRATEGIC PLAN

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Introduced and implemented a “No Wrong Door” philosophy among network providers to ensure warm hand-offs and referrals
- Enhanced access and support to McHenry County Mental Health Board Network agency programs and awareness campaigns by revamping the Hotsheet and distribution lists, increasing the digital footprint
- Continued to incorporate and build Trauma-Informed Care knowledge among network providers by providing training and ongoing resources
- Implemented and evaluated the “Handle with Care” pilot to connect local law enforcement with school-based providers
- Streamlined funding allocation process and procedures
- The McHenry County Mental Health Board Trauma-Informed Coordinator broadened program outreach by offering trauma-informed training to several out-of-network agencies
- 20% fewer McHenry County Mental Health Board Network agencies reported carrying a waitlist in FY25 compared to FY24
- Attendance at McHenry County Mental Health Board hosted trainings increased by 19%, indicating improved engagement and participation in workforce development activities
- Implemented performance measures as recommended by the Quality Management Team to improve outcomes and foster a culture of improvement
- Streamlined provider reporting requirements
- Analyzed and updated the marketing plan to maximize the impact of allocated marketing budget
- Increased McHenry County Mental Health Board driven trainings and CEUs earned by providers by 5%
- Expanded QPR (Question. Persuade. Refer.) trainings beyond the network to include County based employees
- Created and implemented a process for continual updating of the Mental Health Board Service Directory
- Increased access to the McHenry County Mental Health Board-contracted grant writer for the Network, leading to greater utilization of grant writing support among McHenry County Mental Health Board-funded agencies
- Strengthening partnership with the County by working together on data sharing initiatives and workforce development efforts
- Distributed \$10,912,702 to over 30 local agencies, serving McHenry County residents

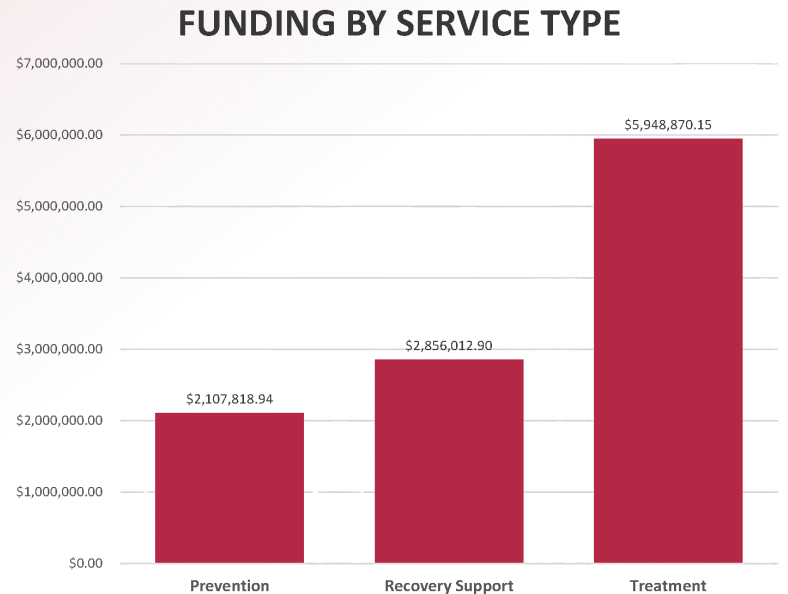
FY25 FUNDING BY NEED



- Co-occurring Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder
- Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities (Includes - Epilepsy, TBI & Autism)
- Mental Health
- Substance Use Disorder
- Co-occurring Mental Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities

Mental Health	\$5,817,582.64
Substance Use Disorder	\$2,057,977.08
Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities (Includes - Epilepsy, TBI & Autism)	\$1,695,672.16
Co-occurring Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder	\$1,338,263.72
Co-occurring Mental Health/Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities	\$3,206.39
Grand Total	\$10,912,701.99

Prevention	\$2,107,818.94
Recovery Support	\$2,856,012.90
Treatment	\$5,948,870.15
Grand Total	\$10,912,701.99



FISCAL YEAR 2024-2026 Three Year Plan

Strategic Initiative #1: Enhance Access to Quality Care for Behavioral Health & Intellectual/Developmental Disability Services

Strategic Initiative #2: Enhance Continuum of Care for Behavioral Health & Intellectual/Developmental Disability Services

Strategic Initiative #3: Increase Awareness & Visibility of Community Resources

Strategic Initiative #4: Provide Visionary Leadership, Empowerment, and Advocacy to Behavioral Health & Intellectual/Developmental Disability Stakeholders

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ABOUT MCHENRY COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

The McHenry County Mental Health Board is a special unit of government under the Community Mental Health Act 405 ILCS 20. As a result of Illinois House Bill 708, in 1967 voters in McHenry County established a community Mental Health Board and chose to levy an annual tax for the purpose of providing community facilities and services for those with mental illness, intellectual/developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders.

Following this referendum, the county government appointed a board of representatives to administer the mental health fund and carry out the duties of the Community Mental Health Act. The McHenry County Mental Health Board quickly held its first meeting and began to develop operating procedures and to fund agencies.

As part of a governing body, Board members must provide leadership and determine what is in the best interest of county residents. The Board is mandated to assure that those in need of mental health, intellectual/developmental disability, or substance use services will have those services available to them. They continuously engage in policy development focused on their governance of all access, quality, and cost concerns.

In March 2024, a voter referendum moved the McHenry County Mental Health Board from property taxes to sales tax (e.g. Special Retail Tax in 55 ILCS 5 of Counties Code). 55 ILCS 5/5-1006.5 is the enabling legislation for sales tax and gives authority to a mental health board and connects the function of said mental health board to Community Mental Health Act.

The Illinois Community Mental Health Act mandates Community Mental Health Boards in the state to:

- Review and evaluate community mental health services and facilities.
- Plan for programs of community mental health services and facilities.
- Consult with others regarding the most efficient delivery of services.
- Appropriate funds to maintain mental health services and facilities.

FY25 Board of Directors

Connee Meschini, President <i>(Term: through 12/31/25)</i>	Adam Carson, Member <i>(Term: through 12/31/29)</i>
Ray Lapinas, Vice President <i>(Term: through 12/31/25)</i>	Linda Hoch, Member <i>(Term: through 12/31/29)</i>
Lindsay Keisman, Treasurer <i>(Term: through 10/31/25)</i>	Christina Bruhn, Member <i>(Term: through 12/31/26)</i>
Carolyn Schofield, Asst. Treasurer <i>(Term: through 12/31/28)</i>	John Reinert, Cty Board Liaison <i>(Term: through 12/1/26)</i>
Amy Rath, Secretary <i>(Term: through 12/31/26)</i>	Bridget Geenen, Executive Director

INDUSTRY AFFILIATIONS

Association of Community Mental Health Authorities of Illinois
 Community Behavioral Health Association of Illinois
 Government Finance Officers Association
 Health Care Compliance Association
 Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities
 Institute of Management Accountants
 National Council for Mental Wellbeing





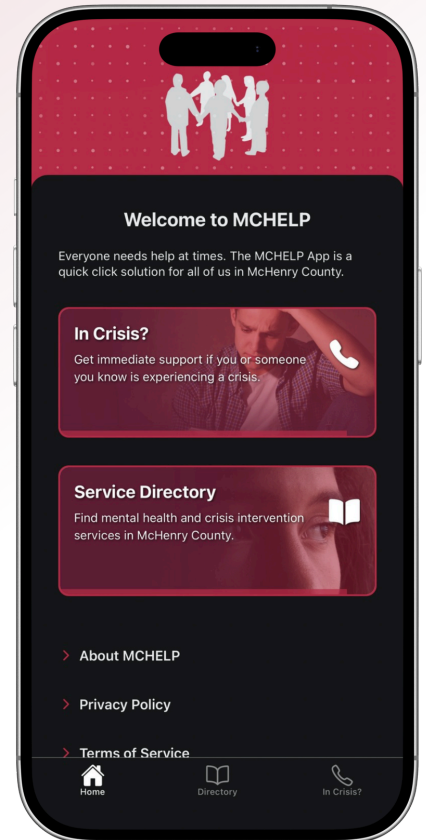
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A free anonymous app that allows you to confidentially text or talk to a licensed mental health counselor. Learn more by scanning the QR Code or visit McHenry County Mental Health Board on the web: www.MC708.org.

Call or text your concerns to MCHELP on any subject 24/7,
365 days a year.

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