



# METZENBAUM CENTER

The Geauga County Board  
Of Developmental Disabilities

Helping Individuals Live, Learn  
& Earn In Our Community

## Quick Facts:

Over 530 people  
attended our free  
Community Carnival  
and we had 100  
volunteers!

Total Served 917

This year, a GCBDD individual  
was part of the gold medal  
team from Ohio that played  
in the National Special  
Olympics softball game!

*The Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities (GCBDD), known as The Bessie Benner Metzenbaum Center, was started in 1966 to help individuals in Geauga County with developmental disabilities. Our focus today is still on enhancing the lives of those we serve. These services begin at birth and continue with preschool and school programs, lasting through adulthood.*

### Employment First

- This program worked with **464** total individuals, of which **117** individuals are employed in minimum wage or above.

### Early Intervention

- Early Intervention (EI) is a statewide system that provides coordinated early intervention services to parents of eligible children ages 0 - 3 years with developmental delays or disabilities.
- This program currently serves **110 - 120** children every year with disabilities and delays.

### Transportation

- GCBDD coordinates transportation services with companies so that individuals are able to participate in day programs and work in the community.
- GCBDD is currently working with seven companies to transport individuals to community jobs.

### Community and Residential Services

- Approximately **700** individuals and families receive support through Service and Support Administrators or EI case managers.
- We currently have over **209** individuals receiving residential supports in our community in a variety of settings.
- We work with over **125** companies to meet the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities in terms of case management and community or residential services.

### Recreation

- Individuals are able to enjoy many different activities throughout the year, such as Special Olympics, social and exercise options.

Recreation - **310** people  
Pool - **75** people  
Music - **219** people  
Pickleball - **30+** people

### Intermediate Care Facilities

- The Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) currently provides residential care at the Metzenbaum Center for **21** individuals ranging in ages from 25-73.

