

Hamilton County, Ohio

2010 Performance Dashboard



- Investing in Economic Development
- Protecting At Risk Populations
- Strong Financial Management
- Enhancing Criminal Justice / Public Safety

1.	<i>“Long-term, the only way we’re going to solve our budget problem is through strategic economic and job growth, which will also lead to an increase in County revenues.”</i>
a.	Facilitate business investment in excess of \$50 million.
b.	Create 1,000 new jobs through demonstrable County activity.
2.	<i>“Unprecedented funding challenges have forced the Department of Job and Family Services to create new ways of meeting mandates in all programs, including child welfare, where it is experiencing some of the more complex and severe abuse cases in its history. Complex cases result in long and costly foster care stays, leaving children in limbo, without a permanent resolution. The challenge for both the fiscal health of the agency and the safety and permanency of the children is to reduce the county’s abuse rate and the number of children in foster care.”</i>
a.	Reduce the number of older youth (ages 15 to 18) in JFS custody by 12% through positive, permanent outcomes, such as adoption or reunification with safe, stable families. Currently, 77 children in custody fall in this age range. Last year, the number of older children in custody was reduced by 6.6%.
b.	Reduce by 10% the percentage of children who die from substantiated abuse by the mother’s partner, a non-biological parent of the child. The rate of such abuse currently stands at 35% -- six of 17 abuse deaths in the past five years – which is 20% above the national average and 7% above the state average.
3.	<i>“The County has managed through several difficult budget processes during this prolonged recession. To ensure the County emerges in a strong financial position, significant capital projects must remain on schedule and within budget and regular budget monitoring should continue.”</i>
a.	Complete Phase I public improvements for the Banks Riverfront Redevelopment project under budget and on schedule.
b.	Maintain schedule compliance and budget for the Wet Weather Program within the Metropolitan Sewer District.
c.	Maintain 2010 general fund expenditures within 0.5% of originally appropriated funding level.
d.	Resolve Special Audit within the Job and Family Services Department
4.	<i>“The efforts of the Criminal Justice Commission have resulted in a number of program initiatives to manage a limited amount of jail space. After three years of innovations and reform, the criminal justice system would benefit from a comprehensive listing of options and an updated projection on detention facility needs.”</i>
a.	Catalogue and develop schematic diagram of current jail division and jail space management programs
b.	Develop updated detention facility needs projection