



Cuyahoga County  
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# Department of Health & Human Services 2022/2023 Budget Hearing October 18, 2021

David Merriman | Director

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is made up of eight divisions and offices serving babies, children, teens, adults, seniors, and families across Cuyahoga County.

Our mission is transforming lives at every age and stage through collaboration, innovation, and service; connecting people with the opportunity to live their best lives.



## DHHS Divisions

- Division of Senior and Adult Services (DSAS) - Tracey Mason
- Cuyahoga Job and Family Services (JFS) - Kevin Gowan
- Division of Children and Family Services (DCFS) - Cynthia Weiskittel
- Office of Child Support Services (OCSS) - Tiffany Dobbins-Brazelton  
-Fatherhood Initiative (Al Grimes)
- Office of Homeless Services (OHS) - Melissa Sirak
- Office of Reentry (Re-entry) - Simeon Best
- Office of Early Childhood (Invest In Children or IIC) - Rebekah Dorman
- Family and Children First Council (FCFC) - Robin Martin



## DHHS Budget

<b>Division</b>	<b>Budget 2022</b>
Children & Family Services	167,385,377
Cuyahoga Job and Family Services	80,222,231
Office of Child Support Services	41,193,538
Fatherhood (OCSS)	1,017,459
Senior & Adult Services	23,562,172
HHS-Admin (Director's Office)	23,491,768
Invest in Children	23,040,730
Homeless Services	10,911,762
Family & Children First Council	5,337,822
Re-Entry	2,689,221
<b>Total</b>	<b>378,852,080</b>



## Department of Director : Departments, Offices, and Programs

- Fiscal Office (Kathy Starks)
- Contract Administration and Performance (Paul Porter)
- Communications (Deonna Phelps Kirkpatrick)
- Other Shared Services

### Dr. Leon Harris, III – Assistant Director of DHHS

- Customer Care (Arnell Hurt)
- Performance Evaluation and Innovation (Leon Harris)
- HHS Learning and Professional Development (Brenda Payne)
- HHS Records (Michael Jost)
- Voting Rights Coordinator (Simeon Best)



## Department of the Director

- COVID-19 Management
- Race Equity and Inclusion (REI) Program Integration
- Strengthening Shared Services and Interoperability

	<b>Budget 2022</b>
Personal & Benefits	6,557,815
Other Expenditures	16,933,953
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,491,768</b>



# Questions



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