



# MERCER COUNCIL

*ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ADDICTION*



2022

IMPACT  
REPORT

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### **WHO WE ARE**

Mercer Council is a private, non-profit agency dedicated to the prevention of substance abuse and its harmful consequences. Mercer Council actively provides quality alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse prevention and early intervention programs and services in partnership with individuals, families, schools, communities, businesses and professionals throughout Mercer County.

### **MISSION**

We are committed to creating pathways to reduce behavioral health challenges for individuals, families and communities in Mercer County through education, support, advocacy and partnerships throughout our community.

### **VISION**

At Mercer Council, we envision healthy, safe and responsible communities.

# MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP

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Dear Friends,

We are happy to report that as we move forward in 2023, we are blazing new trails while maintaining our core values and traditions. We are pursuing new funding to develop the breadth of our work and deepen our impact within the community. We are proud of our accomplishments and longevity as we look to our upcoming 45th anniversary in the fall of 2023. We are focused on developing and strengthening our staff and board members to continue supporting our community by implementing research-based programs, creating system-wide changes, and providing tools that empower our community to make healthy, safe, and responsible choices.

Growth and change help us evolve and, more importantly, help us keep up with our community's needs. We hired our new enthusiastic, and highly motivated Executive Director, Margarita Leahy. We created a new community engagement position. This new team member will support and strengthen awareness of our essential work. We expanded the board to include three new members with impressive backgrounds. We are grateful for our new and long-term board members who continue to support Mercer Council's mission. We have internally promoted several hard-working and loyal staff members.

Although the world has just moved through a pandemic, we have been able to pivot, adjust, strengthen, and grow our organization. We invite you to view our annual report and see all that we have been able to accomplish. We sincerely thank our funders, community partners, supporters, staff, and community members for continuing this journey with us!

Onward!



Deborah Dunn, Esq.  
*Board Chair*



Margarita Leahy  
*Executive Director*



Catherine Arulmohan  
*Director of Operations*

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**"We take every opportunity to invest in our staff and look towards the future."**

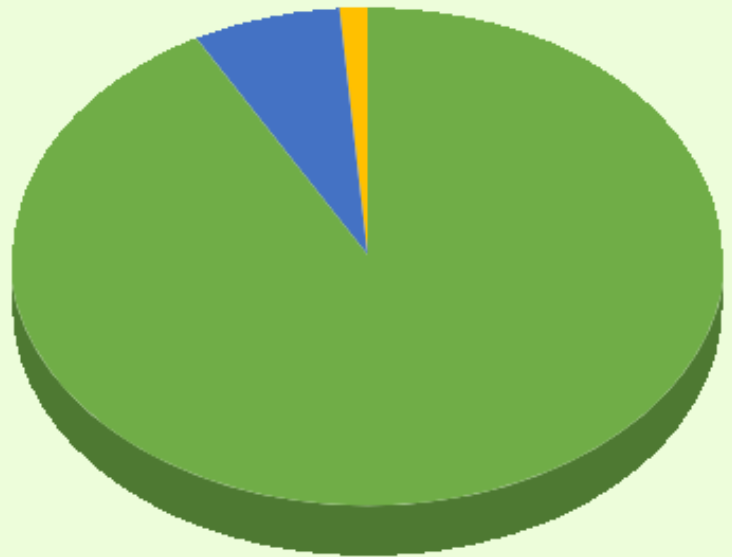
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# REVENUE & EXPENSES

*FY22: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022*

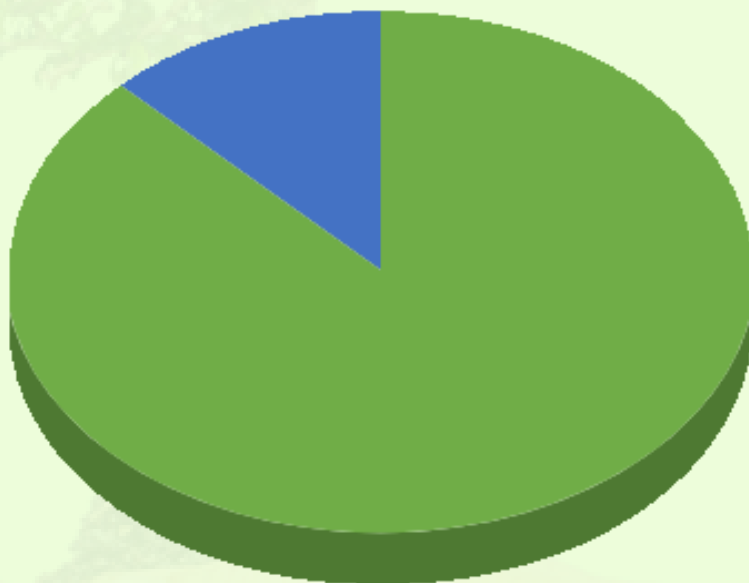
**Revenue**  
**\$1,782,923**

Contributions 1.27%  
/ Other Program Income 6.78%



State and Federal Grants 91.95%

Management and General 12.37%



**Expenses**  
**\$1,652,925**

Program Services 87.63%

# 2022 OUTCOMES

*Celebrating another year of serving Mercer County!*



**4,250+**  
**students reached**

in our school-based programs,  
services and presentations held  
throughout the year.

- **2,885** students in grades K-12 reached with programming across **14** Mercer County schools
- **840+** students reached through Life Skills Training
- **1,891** reached through ASYSST programs and events with **154** unique students receiving supportive services
- **1,377** students reached in presentations and assemblies held by our Prevention Education staff



**1,750+**  
**individuals reached**

in our community-based  
programs and initiatives held  
throughout the year.

- **386** attendees across **52** weekly All-Recovery Meetings
- **162** individuals connected to support through the Opioid Overdose Recovery Program, with **131** non-hospital cases
- Over **200** reached through Older Adults presentations
- **109** substance use evaluations and referrals in collaboration with the Juvenile Justice Commission
- **320** total attendance across monthly meetings with our Prevention Coalition of Mercer County



**22,375+**  
**online engagements**

across all of our social media channels:  
Mercer Council blog, LinkedIn, Instagram,  
YouTube, and Facebook accounts

# THE MERCER COUNCIL TEAM

## Board of Trustees

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*Secretary* – Leanna Fenneberg

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Antonia Lewis

Chief Chris Longo

## Administrative Leadership

Margarita Leahy, *Executive Director*

Catherine Arulmohan, *Director of Operations*

Lisa Kauffman, *Office Manager*

Caitlin Allen, *Community Engagement Coordinator*

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...and more!





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