

# Crossing The Bridge

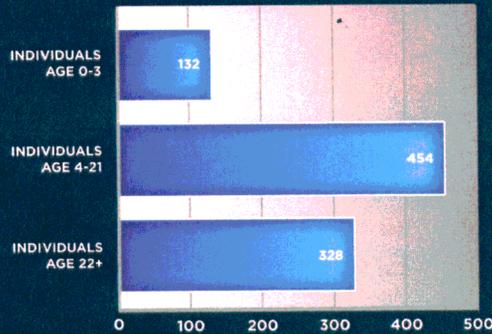
2010 Annual Report

# Financials

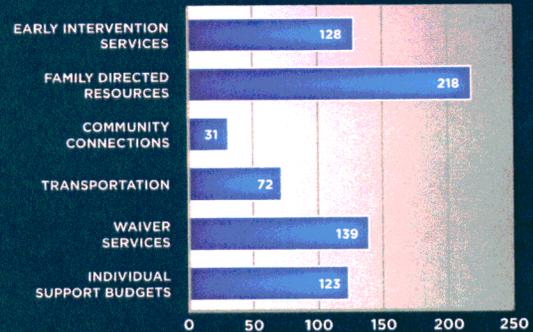
## The Growth Begins

In 2010, we experienced an increase in individuals eligible for Erie County DD services, particularly in school age children. Our financial position remains strong. Our primary revenue stream is generated from a local levy passed in 2002. We are not projecting a return to the ballot until 2014. Our emphasis in 2011 is to create a 10-year strategic plan that will provide stability in our planning as we commit to offering supports to individuals throughout their lifetime.

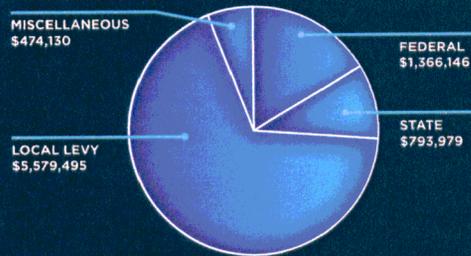
### Eligible Individuals Served



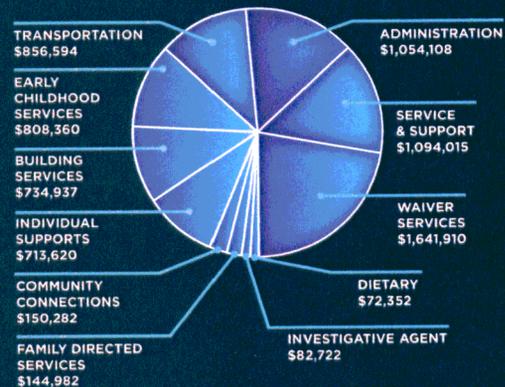
### Number of Individuals Served by Service Area



### Total Revenues: \$8,213,750



### Total of Expenditures By Department: \$7,353,882



March

Dr. Dee Zeffiro-Krenisky  
named Interim Superintendent

May

Greg Semer, SSA, wins Steve  
Lippert Award

Norwalk Parks and Recreation Center,  
awarded Opening Doors Award



Erie DD  
received three  
year accreditation  
from State  
Department of DD

April

Kay Mackey and Howard Collins named Board Members

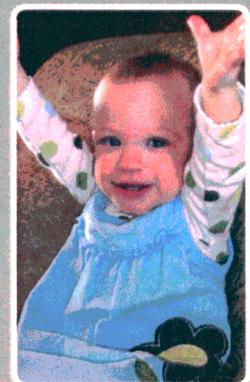
Early Intervention staff participated in Erie County Autism  
Taskforce Pathways Event

Harry Miller graduated from Project STIR as a certified  
Self-Advocate trainer

# Profile

## Gianna Grace Musser

One of Erie County's smallest residents became its biggest celebrity. Gianna Grace Musser was born in 2009, 12 weeks early and weighing only three pounds. In 2010, Gianna was named the 2011 Cleveland March of Dimes Ambassador.





August

Lisa Guliano named Superintendent

October

EI/Help Me Grow certified to administer Autism Diagnostic Observation Scale assessments

Help Me Grow received rating of meets standards by Ohio Department of Health

Harry Miller selected as Ohio Leader for Project STIR

December

Intro of The Cable



September

Mike Riggle received ESDY award from Ohio Self Determination Association

Erie DD staff kicked off first annual United Way Campaign

Erie DD staff volunteer in Rev3 Triathlon community event

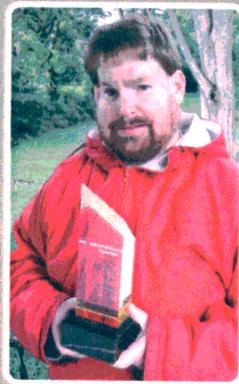
November

Rollout of New Logo



Mike Riggle

Mike Riggle was Awarded the ESDY award by the Ohio Self Determination Association in 2010. This award is presented to a select few who have played a vital role in advancing the concepts of self determination.



Heather Miller

Heather Miller moved from her mother's home to Erie County in 2010 and now receives services from Erie County DD. Heather has made new friends, is involved in the Ladies Group, a self determination group, participates in Special Olympics bowling, basketball and track, and works at Double S Industries.





Lisa Guliano

The theme of this annual report is "Crossing the Bridge." It's very appropriate as we crossed many bridges in 2010. We added board members, an interim and full-time superintendent, and achieved a three-year accreditation.

In short, it was a good year. Personally, it was a very good - and very busy - five months! I became superintendent of the Erie County Board of Developmental Disabilities on Aug. 9. My appointment followed a 10-month search and I am quite proud to have been selected for the position.

I believe it's important that we tip our collective hats to Dr. Dee Zeffiro-Krenisky, who served so admirably as our interim superintendent from March through my appointment. Dr. Dee, as she is known, is the superintendent in Huron County. She grabbed the reins here and guided this organization through our state accreditation and we owe her a debt of gratitude for her service.

We were able to make some considerable strides in the second half of the year. Some were noticeable to the public, others were not as noticeable, but no less important. The achievements you probably noticed were those we tried to make public.

First of all, we updated our logo. Our tagline at Erie County DD is "Building Bridges." To coincide with that tagline, our new logo features a modified version of a steel bridge with rivets. A modified wave rolls under the bridge. It is a very strong logo and we believe it fits the image of our agency.

We also redesigned and renamed our newsletter. We renamed the newsletter *The Cable*, which has dual meaning. A strong cable is needed to support any bridge. Also, a cable was a term for messages sent via cables stretched under water, which we thought was very appropriate for Erie County. *The Cable* made its debut in December and was very well received.

Many of our initiatives began in 2010 and will come to fruition in 2011. We have started a review of our human resource processes, our legal support services, and we are reorganizing our administrative-clerical areas. While these are not projects seen by the public, they are critical to the operation of Erie County DD.

While we are pleased with our progress to date, we are not resting on our laurels. We are moving forward. This year we will begin creating a long-term strategic plan, which will serve as a path for this organization to follow for the next decade. We also will be launching a new website and we are creating a new family of brochures.

It is an exciting time at Erie County DD. I am proud to be the superintendent of such a fine agency that has as its mission providing services to individuals with developmental disabilities. We have an outstanding staff and I am very much looking forward to meeting the milestones we are setting for this great organization.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Guliano". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lisa Guliano  
Superintendent of the Erie County Board of Developmental Disabilities



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### Our Mission

"Our mission is to promote choice, independence, and to support people with disabilities in exercising their rights to be respected, responsible members of their community."

### Annual Notice

All policies and procedures, including the Due Process policy, are available to individuals being served by the Board, as well as parents, guardians, and service providers. If you have questions or want to request copies of any policies or procedures, call the Erie County Board of Developmental Disabilities, at 419-626-0208, or e-mail [info@eriecbdd.org](mailto:info@eriecbdd.org).

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