Citizen Services - State Summary

	Actual FY 14	Original Budget FY 15	Adjusted Budget FY 15	Budget FY 16	From	% Change From Adj. FY 15
Health Department	\$3,152,780	\$3,152,760	\$3,152,760	\$3,215,710	2.00%	2.00%
Social Services	45,000	55,000	55,000	20,000	-63.64%	-63.64%
Total Citizen Services - State	\$3,197,780	\$3,207,760	\$3,207,760	\$3,235,710	0.87%	0.87%

Mission and Goals

Citizen Services State is a functional grouping of state agencies that provide a variety of services to fulfill the basic needs of children, youth, older adults, and the disabled in the community. The Department of Citizen Services is the coordinating agency for all human service functions funded by Carroll County Government.

Goals include:

- Promote financial independence
- Strengthen family stability
- Ensure a safe and healthy family environment

Highlights, Changes, and Useful Information

The state agencies are funded at the discretion of the Commissioners, with the exception of a required match for the Health Department.

Budget Changes

- Social Services decreases due to one-time funding in FY 15 for the Veterans Transportation Shuttle.
- Funding for the Health Department includes a 2% increase in FY 16.

Health Department

Description	Actual FY 14	Original Budget FY 15	Adjusted Budget FY 15	Budget FY 16	% Change From Orig. FY 15	% Change From Adj. FY 15
Personnel	\$5,020	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%	0.00%
Benefits	384	384	384	384	0.00%	0.00%
Operating	3,147,376	3,147,376	3,147,376	3,210,326	2.00%	2.00%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
Total	\$3,152,780	\$3,152,760	\$3,152,760	\$3,215,710	2.00%	2.00%
Employees FIE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		

Note: The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Mission and Goals

To create and sustain a community of wellness in Carroll County and to assure the optimum quality of life by empowering the public with knowledge and resources through advocacy and community partnerships.

Goals include:

- Minimize the incidence of preventable illness, disability, and premature death in Carroll County residents from environmental and organic causes
- Promote good health practices by educating the public about health issues
- Protect the public from environmental hazards by keeping the environment clean, healthy, and safe
- Establish a program to protect County citizens against bioterrorism and other disasters with public health implications

Description

Since 1934, each of Maryland's 23 counties and Baltimore City has established its own local health department. From 2001 to 2009, local health departments were overseen by the Community Health Administration within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH). Beginning in July 2009, oversight responsibility was transferred to Public Health Services within DHMH in order to ensure basic public health services are provided in all parts of Maryland.

Under the direction of a local health officer, each local health department provides these services and administers and enforces State and local health laws and regulations in its jurisdiction. Programs meet the public health needs of the community and provide services not offered by the private sector. The local health officer is appointed jointly by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and the local governing body.

The County is mandated by law to provide the Health Department matching funds in support of the following Core programs:

- Communicable disease control services
- Environmental health services
- Family planning services
- · Maternal and child health services
- Wellness promotional services
- Adult health and geriatric services
- Administration and communication services associated with the provision of the services described above

County funding is estimated to represent approximately 21% of the total Health Department budget. State and Federal funding represents close to 65% of the budget and the remaining 14% is obtained through private grants and collection fees.

For more information on Public Health Services within DHMH, refer to:

http://www.msa.md.gov/msa/mdmanual/16dhmh/html/16agenph.html

Budget Changes

A 2% increase is included in FY 16.

Social Services

Description	Actual FY 14	Original Budget FY 15	Adjusted Budget FY 15	Budget FY 16	% Change From Orig. FY 15	% Change From Adj. FY 15
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Benefits	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
Operating	45,000	55,000	55,000	20,000	-63.64%	-63.64%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
Total	\$45,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$20,000	-63.64%	-63.64%
Employees FIE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		

Note: The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Mission and Goals

To promote financial independence, strengthen family stability, and ensure a safe and healthy environment for children and vulnerable adults.

Goals include:

- Provide a safe and healthy environment for all citizens
- Develop and maintain an open system of communication between staff and clients
- Create a trusting work environment including a customer and staff friendly physical plant that promotes learning, communication, and generally fosters high morale
- Increase customer and community knowledge of, and accessibility to, the services provided by the agency and the community

Description

In Baltimore City and each County, the local Departments of Social Services are coordinated and directed by the Social Services Administration (SSA) within the Maryland Department of Human Resources (DHR). The SSA determines what factors contribute to social and family problems, and then recommends ways to address those problems. The current location in Carroll County is at 1232 Tech Court, Westminster, MD.

The Local Departments of Social Services (DSS) administer the various programs subject to the supervision, direction, and control of the SSA. DSS provides a variety of services to men, women and children from all socioeconomic backgrounds in Carroll County. These services include:

- Children Protective Services
- Foster Care and Adoption
- Adult Protective Services
- Child Support Enforcement and Collection Services

Other services include supervision and licensing of all public and private institutions that have the care, custody, or control of dependent, abandoned, or neglected children.

DSS has evolved from an agency that provides long-term financial assistance to families to a "workforce support" agency. They have programs and partnerships to assist families to become self-sufficient:

- The Family First Program's focus is to prevent child abuse, prevent out-of-home placement, and provide emergency services to prevent abuse
- Temporary Cash Assistance is a time-limited subsidy intended to help parents of young children
- DSS helps people obtain quality daycare, learn job skills, obtain transportation, and maintain medical care so they can work

Program Highlights

- In FY 14, the Children Support Division established 202 paternity orders and 41 new court orders.
- Child Protective Services unit received 1,288 case referrals.

Budget Changes

Operating decreases due to one-time funding in FY 15 for the Veterans Transportation Shuttle.