

TRI-COUNTY

MENTAL HEALTH

SERVICES, INC.

Offering Hope...



2013-14 Annual Report

Offering Hope to the Northland

Report from the CEO: Looking Back on a Successful Year

I came to Tri-County as its new CEO in the middle of the worst winter on record in more than 25 years. The weather pundits called it the Polar Vortex. In homage to one of my favorite movies, I called it The Big Chill. In the midst of that bone-chilling cold, I found a kind and inviting workplace home called Tri-County Mental Health. I was warmly welcomed by the Tri-County board, its great team members, and community leaders.

In the seven months I have been at Tri-County I have seen first-hand –

- Exemplary Clinical Service (Employment Services, HealthCare Home, Mental Health Liaison to name a few)

- Great Community Impact (Hospital Diversion, Prevention Services)
- Supportive Community (Northland Chamber, Northland Healthcare Access)

Whenever I tell someone I work at Tri-County, they say “How lucky you are. That’s a great place to work.” With that fine reputation, comes the need to continue to strive and to achieve more for ourselves and our community. With that in mind, we have more to create for Tri-County – a foundation, new exemplary services, and new community partners. I look forward to the future with great anticipation for Tri-County and the Northland, no matter how cold it gets...



Tom Petrizzo, CEO

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Service Highlights

Programs that Make a Difference

Tri-County's program highlights range from our outstanding children's program to our award-winning employment services. Here are a few other examples to show how these successes impact the lives of those in Clay, Platte and Ray counties:

The Mental Health Liaison Program is forming stronger community partnerships between law enforcement agencies, the courts and crisis systems in order to improve access to services to high-risk individuals in our community. The Liaison Program helps individuals to access services before a crisis occurs. We have actively outreached law enforcement and courts in Clay, Platte and Ray County in order to be supportive to them when dealing with a person experiencing a mental health crisis.

From the onset of this year, this program made 680 contacts with law enforcement and the courts, and approximately 450 referrals have been made. In June, the Community Mental Health Liaison began participating in home visits with the Kansas City Police Department in order to outreach to people who are desperately in need of mental health services but for whatever reason are struggling to obtain the services.

HealthCare Home is an intense, focused effort to treat Tri-County clients as "whole people" by making sure that both their mental and physical health needs are met. In less than a year, the HealthCare Home programs has met or exceeded all benchmarks established by the Missouri Division of Behavioral Health.

On a human level, the program works with nearly 1,000 consumers to screen for issues such as diabetes or high cholesterol, which otherwise may go untreated and impact the consumers' physical and mental health. For the community, these advances also mean better health outcomes combined with reductions in things such as emergency room visits, which often end up costing everyone.

Tri-County's award winning Prevention Program works to reduce substance abuse and improve wellness throughout the area. Among its most visible efforts is work with the Northland Coalition, which Tri-County founded and continues to support. In fiscal year 2014, Coalition highlights included new ordinances promoting smoke-free environments and establishment of drop-boxes to remove unused pharmaceuticals.

The effectiveness of these efforts was recognized when the Coalition was one of only two named Missouri Coalition of the Year. Coalition affiliates receiving awards included Park Hill and North Kansas City school groups.

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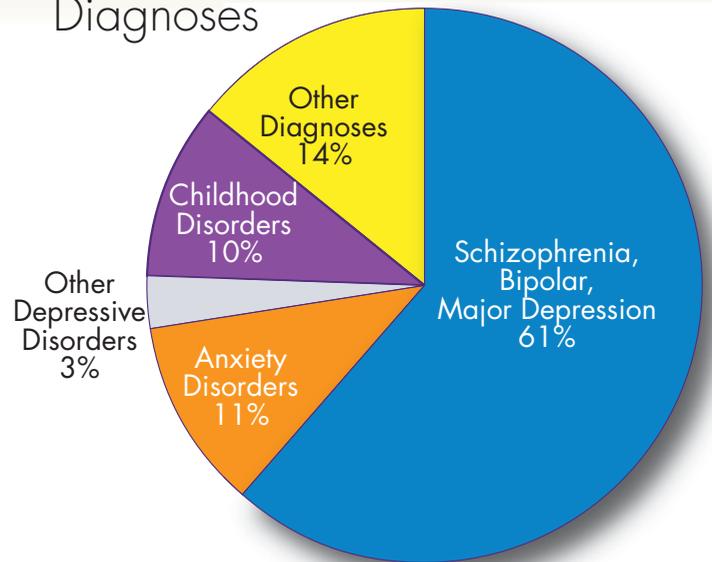


Who We Serve

Adults:	6,311	Number of Services	218,455
Youth:	1,434	Number of Services	35,152
Total.....	7,745	Number of Services	253,607

The Tri-County Prevention Program had 509 activities that made 60,884 contacts during FY 2014.

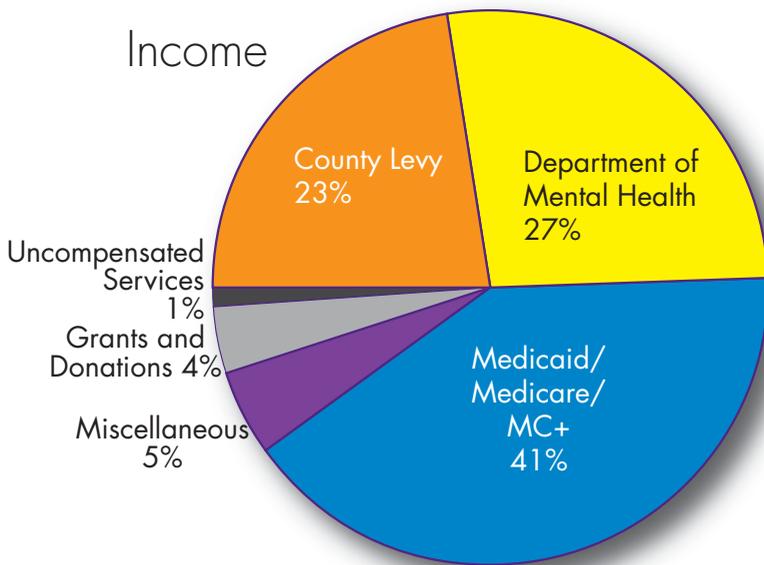
Diagnoses



48% of our clients have co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders.

Financial Information

Income



Expenses

