

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency

Role and Overview

The Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency (OOD), formerly the Rehabilitation Services Commission (RSC), changes name in the Executive Budget to more accurately reflect the agency's mission and the services it provides. The agency serves Ohioans with disabilities so that they may achieve quality employment, independence and disability determination outcomes. Led by an Executive Director and a seven member board, OOD is comprised of three branches. The Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (BVR) and Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired (BSVI) help individuals with disabilities live independently and obtain or retain a job. The Division of Disability Determination (DDD) determines eligibility for Social Security Disability Insurance or Supplemental Security Income for those unable to work. OOD has over 1,050 employees who support the agency's programs to assist Ohioans with disabilities in leading independent and self-sufficient lives, contribute to their communities, and enrich the state's workforce. Approximately 3,480 individuals secured competitive employment through OOD's Vocational Rehabilitation Program in federal fiscal year 2012. The average wage for these individuals was approximately \$11.05 per hour with 30 average hours per week worked. Successfully rehabilitated consumers most often have decreased dependency on government benefit.

More information regarding the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency is available at <http://rsc.ohio.gov>.

Agency Priorities

- Ensure individuals with disabilities achieve quality employment and independence through integrated services, partnerships, and innovation.
- Engage business partners and assist them in the employment of OOD consumers.
- Base decisions on sound data, performance measurements, and return on investments.
- Ensure excellence and accountability of OOD's services and partnerships.
- Invest resources on transitional youth (14-22 years of age) for better outcomes and a positive impact on quality of life.

Funding Recommendation for 2014 and 2015

- GRF: Funding for fiscal year 2014 is \$16.0 million (or a 20.8% increase from fiscal year 2013). Funding for fiscal year 2015 is \$16.0 million (or a 0.0% increase from fiscal year 2014).
- All Funds: Funding for fiscal year 2014 is \$251.6 million (or a 1.9% decrease from fiscal year 2013). Funding for fiscal year 2015 is \$249.2 million (or a 1.0% decrease from fiscal year 2014).

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

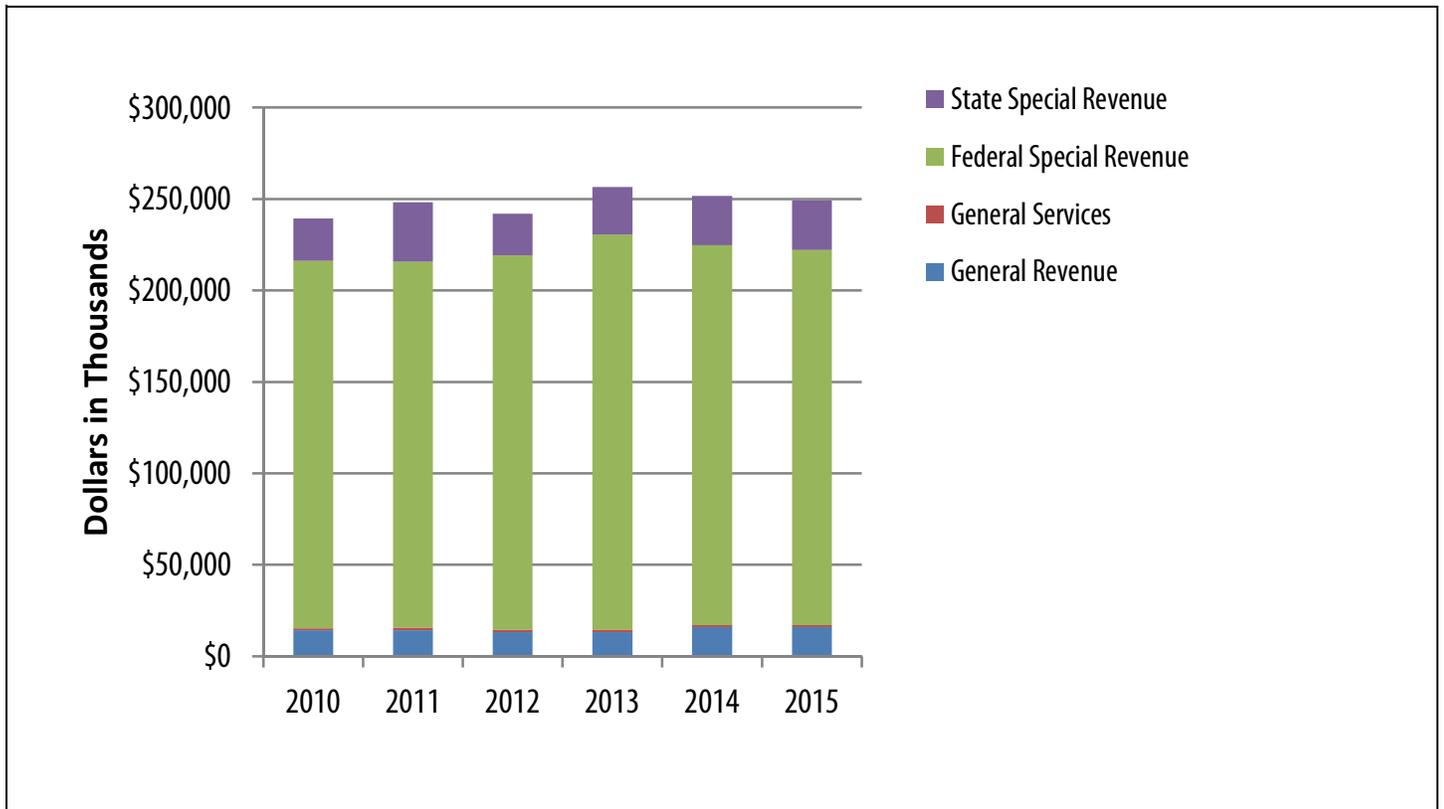
- Provide funding to support vocational rehabilitation services to approximately 32,000 Ohioans with disabilities annually and fund vocational rehabilitation services to aid more than 3,480 individuals with significant disabilities to become competitively employed over the biennium.
- Provide business enterprise opportunities and support to 105 blind licensees managing 115 food vending facilities and maintain jobs for 130 Ohioans working in these facilities.
- Provide mobility and orientation training to approximately 2,000 individuals annually who are age 55 years and older and have severe visual impairments to allow these Ohioans to maintain independent living and avoid the costly alternative of institutionally-based care.
- Provide funding for eight Centers for Independent Living (CILs) and support the State Independent Living Council's effort to coordinate and increase the impact of independent living services.
- Provide financial resources to approximately 230 consumers with severe disabilities to hire and pay personal care attendants of their choice, enabling them to obtain jobs and/or live independently.
- Provide funding to 10 Community Centers for the Deaf annually to provide over 14,000 hours of support and education and over 36,000 hours of communication support (interpreting and other types of communication assistance) to over 3,000 deaf and deaf-blind Ohioans and their families.

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- Maintain outreach efforts, training, and technical assistance to survivors of traumatic brain injury, their family members, and community providers.
- Conduct eligibility determination for Social Security benefits for approximately 212,000 Ohioans (both adults and children) with disabilities that prevent them from performing gainful activities. Those deemed eligible receive benefits paid directly by the Social Security Administration.
- Maintain compliance with the Rehabilitation Services Administration standards and indicators for the Vocational Rehabilitation program.

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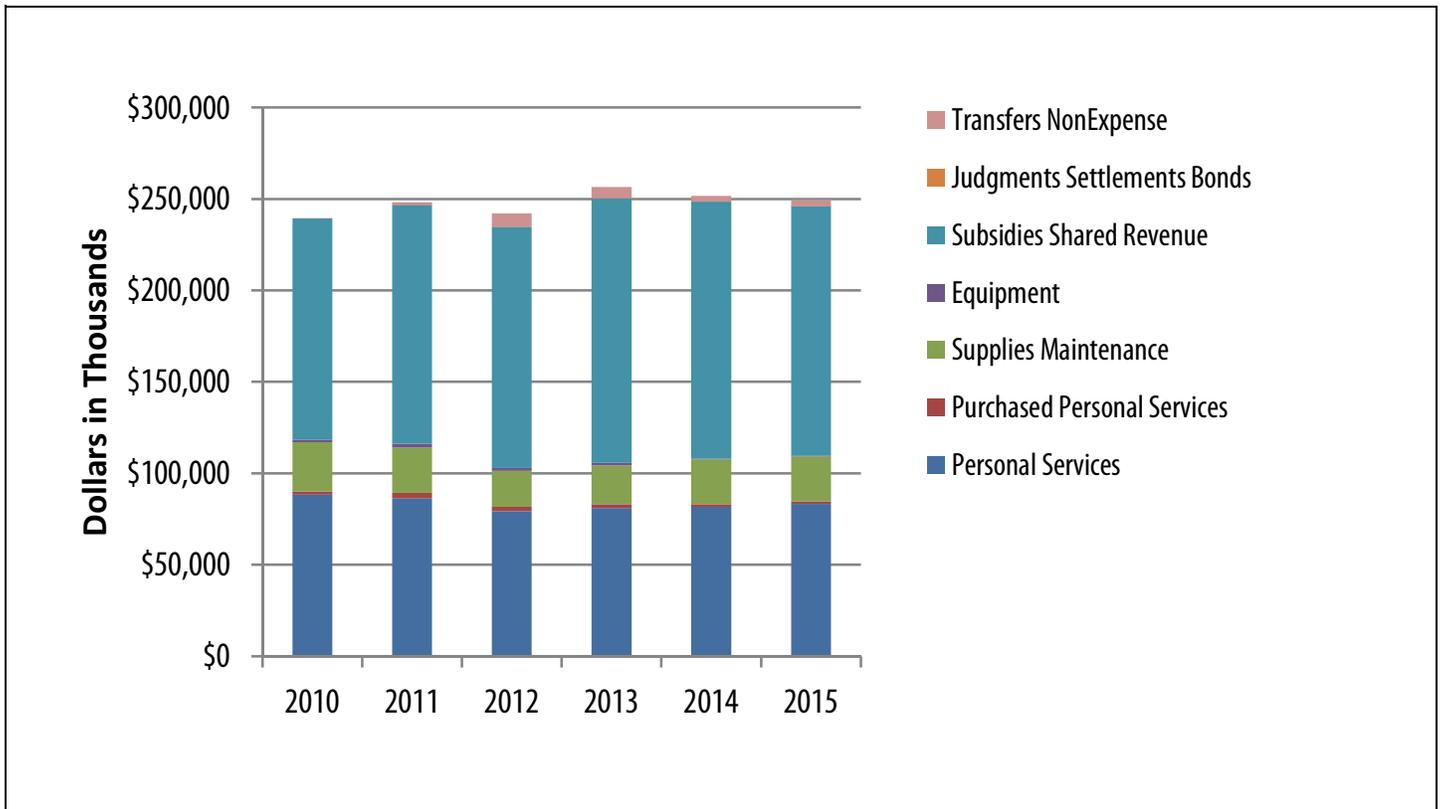
Budget Fund Group Information



(in Thousands) Budget Fund Group	Actual			Est.	% Change	Recommended			
	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 12-13	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	%Change
General Revenue	14,258	14,238	13,198	13,211	0.1%	15,956	20.8%	15,956	0.0%
General Services	956	1,396	1,156	1,303	12.7%	963	-26.1%	965	0.3%
Federal Special Revenue	200,978	199,965	204,780	216,011	5.5%	207,834	-3.8%	205,179	-1.3%
State Special Revenue	23,134	32,524	22,893	26,090	14.0%	26,872	3.0%	27,097	0.8%
Total	239,326	248,122	242,026	256,615	6.0%	251,624	-1.9%	249,198	-1.0%

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Expense Account Category Information



(in Thousands) Expense Account Category	Actual			Est.	% Change	Recommended			
	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 12-13	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	%Change
Personal Services	88,295	86,420	79,237	81,068	2.3%	81,753	0.8%	83,289	1.9%
Purchased Personal Services	1,790	3,013	2,479	1,983	-20.0%	1,319	-33.5%	1,319	0.0%
Supplies & Maintenance	26,985	24,710	19,664	21,300	8.3%	24,565	15.3%	24,565	0.0%
Equipment	1,175	1,963	1,584	1,300	-17.9%	422	-67.5%	422	0.0%
Subsidies & Shared Revenue	121,065	130,745	131,851	144,686	9.7%	140,525	-2.9%	136,562	-2.8%
Judgments, Settlements, & Bonds	16	8	9	50	450.0%	40	-19.2%	40	0.0%
Transfers & Non-Expense	0	1,264	7,203	6,229	-13.5%	3,000	-51.8%	3,000	0.0%
Total	239,326	248,122	242,026	256,615	6.0%	251,624	-1.9%	249,198	-1.0%

Program Series 1: Vocational Rehabilitation (8850A)

This program series assists eligible individuals with significant disabilities attain or maintain competitive community employment. Under the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program (8850B), each person receives individualized services based on an identified vocational goal established in partnership between the individual and the VR counselor. VR services are designed to increase independence and self-sufficiency through employment, self-employment, and supported employment outcomes. The Business Enterprise Program (8855B) provides entrepreneurship opportunities for individuals who are blind or visually impaired. The Brain Injury Program (8860B) increases awareness of services related to traumatic brain injury (TBI). The Independent Living/Older Blind Program (8832B) provides training to assist eligible seniors with severe visual impairments to remain independent. The Personal Care Assistance Program (8870B) provides services enabling individuals with severe disabilities to work and live independently. The Community Centers for the Deaf Program (8875B) provides services to the deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf-blind individuals.

Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Estimated	Recommended			
			FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
GRF	415406	Assistive Technology	26,618	26,618	0.0%	26,618	0.0%
GRF	415431	Office for People with Brain Injury	126,567	126,567	0.0%	126,567	0.0%
GRF	415506	Services for People with Disabilities	12,777,884	15,277,885	19.6%	15,277,885	0.0%

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			FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
GRF	415508	Services for the Deaf	28,000	28,000	0.0%	28,000	0.0%
4670	415609	Business Enterprise Operating Expenses	1,303,090	962,538	-26.1%	965,481	0.3%
3790	415616	Federal-Vocational Rehabilitation	122,900,102	117,181,895	-4.7%	113,360,728	-3.3%
3L10	415601	Social Security Personal Care Assistance	2,670,000	2,748,451	2.9%	2,752,396	0.1%
3L10	415605	Social Security Community Centers for the Deaf	772,000	772,000	0.0%	772,000	0.0%
3L10	415608	Social Security Special Programs and Assistance	1,520,184	445,258	-70.7%	498,269	11.9%
3L40	415615	Federal-Supported Employment	929,755	916,727	-1.4%	916,727	0.0%
3L40	415617	Independent Living-Vocational Rehabilitation Programs	2,137,338	1,548,658	-27.5%	1,348,658	-12.9%
4680	415618	Third Party Funding	10,802,589	11,000,000	1.8%	11,000,000	0.0%
4L10	415619	Services for Rehabilitation	3,700,000	3,502,168	-5.3%	3,502,168	0.0%
Total for Vocational Rehabilitation			159,694,127	154,536,765	-3.2%	150,575,497	-2.6%

Program Series 2: Disability Determination (8900A)

The Disability Determination Program (8900B) processes Social Security disability determinations for all Ohioans who have applied at their local Social Security office for benefits under Supplemental Security Income (SSI), a needs-based income supplement program, and/or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI).

Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Estimated		Recommended		
			FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
3170	415620	Disability Determination	84,179,095	83,332,186	-1.0%	84,641,911	1.6%
Total for Disability Determination			84,179,095	83,332,186	-1.0%	84,641,911	1.6%

Program Series 3: Independent Living (8910A)

This program series supports full inclusion and integration of people with disabilities into the community. The Independent Living Program (8910B) provides funding to Ohio's eight community-based nonprofit centers for independent living that provide core services to Ohioans with disabilities. These core services focus on independent living, peer support, housing, transportation, access surveys, assistive devices, youth, voting, and general information efforts.

Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Estimated		Recommended		
			FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
GRF	415402	Independent Living Council	252,000	252,000	0.0%	252,000	0.0%
3790	415616	Federal-Vocational Rehabilitation	250,000	250,000	0.0%	250,000	0.0%
3L40	415612	Federal Independent Living Centers or Services	652,222	638,431	-2.1%	638,431	0.0%
Total for Independent Living			1,154,222	1,140,431	-1.2%	1,140,431	0.0%

Program Series 4: Program Management (8920A)

This program series contains Program Management (8920B), which provides general administrative services needed to support OOD's programs. These centralized administrative services include the director's office, information technology, fiscal and facilities management, human resources, communications, and legal services. The cost is proportional to the activities and production levels of the programs that provide direct services to consumers.

Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Estimated		Recommended		
			FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
4W50	415606	Program Management Expenses	11,587,201	12,369,751	6.8%	12,594,758	1.8%
Total for Program Management			11,587,201	12,369,751	6.8%	12,594,758	1.8%

Program Series 5: Telephone and Radio Reading Services (8930A)

The Telephone and Radio Reading Program (8930B) provides daily broadcasts of printed materials, such as newspapers, magazines, and books to visually impaired Ohioans.

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Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Estimated	Recommended			
			FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
GRF	415510	Telephone and Radio Reading	0	245,000	0.0%	245,000	0.0%
Total for Telephone and Radio Reading Services			0	245,000	0.0%	245,000	0.0%

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			FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
GRF	415100	Personal Services	(36)	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GRF	415402	Independent Living Council	245,099	255,626	253,006	252,000	252,000	0.0%	252,000	0.0%
GRF	415406	Assistive Technology	26,618	23,956	26,618	26,618	26,618	0.0%	26,618	0.0%
GRF	415431	Office for People with Brain Injury	152,813	126,567	126,567	126,567	126,567	0.0%	126,567	0.0%
GRF	415506	Services for People with Disabilities	13,805,821	13,803,472	12,763,454	12,777,884	15,277,885	19.6%	15,277,885	0.0%
GRF	415508	Services for the Deaf	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000	0.0%	28,000	0.0%
GRF	415510	Telephone and Radio Reading	0	0	0	0	245,000	0.0%	245,000	0.0%
Total General Revenue			14,258,315	14,237,621	13,197,645	13,211,069	15,956,070	20.8%	15,956,070	0.0%
4670	415609	Business Enterprise Operating Expenses	956,369	1,395,942	1,156,311	1,303,090	962,538	-26.1%	965,481	0.3%
Total General Services			956,369	1,395,942	1,156,311	1,303,090	962,538	-26.1%	965,481	0.3%
3170	415620	Disability Determination	85,685,879	91,611,038	82,635,619	84,179,095	83,332,186	-1.0%	84,641,911	1.6%
3790	415616	Federal-Vocational Rehabilitation	103,799,715	99,058,743	114,717,712	123,150,102	117,431,895	-4.6%	113,610,728	-3.3%
3L10	415601	Social Security Personal Care Assistance	2,628,141	2,528,900	2,429,341	2,670,000	2,748,451	2.9%	2,752,396	0.1%
3L10	415605	Social Security Community Centers for the Deaf	734,444	747,485	797,783	772,000	772,000	0.0%	772,000	0.0%
3L10	415608	Social Security Special Programs and Assistance	4,340,304	1,562,239	124,752	1,520,184	445,258	-70.7%	498,269	11.9%
3L40	415612	Federal Independent Living Centers or Services	675,942	1,028,081	605,649	652,222	638,431	-2.1%	638,431	0.0%
3L40	415615	Federal-Supported Employment	880,862	525,464	1,382,556	929,755	916,727	-1.4%	916,727	0.0%
3L40	415617	Independent Living-Vocational Rehabilitation Programs	2,232,272	2,903,067	2,086,174	2,137,338	1,548,658	-27.5%	1,348,658	-12.9%
Total Federal Special Revenue			200,977,559	199,965,017	204,779,586	216,010,696	207,833,606	-3.8%	205,179,120	-1.3%
4680	415618	Third Party Funding	7,236,021	16,784,599	7,787,594	10,802,589	11,000,000	1.8%	11,000,000	0.0%
4L10	415619	Services for Rehabilitation	4,060,311	3,800,899	3,491,051	3,700,000	3,502,168	-5.3%	3,502,168	0.0%
4W50	415606	Program Management Expenses	11,837,824	11,938,215	11,614,049	11,587,201	12,369,751	6.8%	12,594,758	1.8%
Total State Special Revenue			23,134,156	32,523,713	22,892,694	26,089,790	26,871,919	3.0%	27,096,926	0.8%
Grand Total Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency			239,326,399	248,122,293	242,026,236	256,614,645	251,624,133	-1.9%	249,197,597	-1.0%