



METZENBAUM CENTER

The Geauga County Board Of Developmental Disabilities

Helping People Live, Learn, and Earn in our Community

The Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Gauga DD), known as the Metzenbaum Center, was started in 1966 to help individuals in Geauga County with developmental disabilities. Our focus is to provide services while building a caring community where individuals are integrated, accepted, and achieving. These services begin at birth and continue through school and adulthood, till their end of life.

Quick Facts:

A Total of 1,188 People Received Services in 2023

420 people were eligible to use FHBS to care for their loved one

Over 120 area businesses employ our individuals

Early Intervention

- Early Intervention (EI) provides coordinated services to parents of eligible children ages 0-3 years with developmental delays or disabilities. A total of 309 children received services in 2023.

Employment First

- Employment services are designed to help adults find what fits best for them and their goals. In 2023, the program worked with a total of 582 individuals, of which 186 were paid minimum wage or above.

Transportation

- Geauga DD coordinated with 35 companies in 2023 to ensure the transportation services for over 550 individuals to and from their jobs or day programs in the community.

Intermediate Care Facility

- In partnership with the Jewish Family Services Association, the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) provided residential care at the Metzenbaum Center for 13 adults who range in age from 32 to 78.

Community & Residential Services

- Over 315 individuals received residential supports in our community in a variety of settings.
- There were 319 school aged children eligible for services in 2023, of which 37 were Amish students.

Metzenbaum Foundation

- Geauga DD partners with the Metzenbaum Foundation to provide individuals with grant opportunities throughout the year for community outreach activities and events, recreational services, and resources.
- Family Home Based Supports (FHBS) program supported 342 eligible children and adults and their families to help care for their child or relative in their home.
- Summer Supports Funds program sponsored 100 school-aged children to participate in summer camps, activities, and funds for respite.

