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**REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION  
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# COUNTY OF OAKLAND

DANIEL T. MURPHY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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TO: Daniel T. Murphy  
Oakland County Executive

The activities and operations of the Reimbursement Division for the year 1976 are summarized in this report for your review.

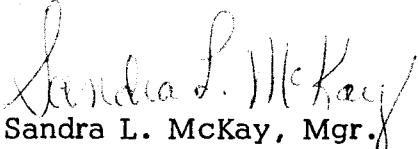
The new Mental Health Code altered the financial responsibility of counties for the cost of services provided to county residents by the Department of Mental Health. Beginning in 1976, a new basis for computing the County's share of costs was established. The County is now required to pay the State of Michigan ten per cent of all net total costs for all residents of Oakland County in State mental hospitals, rather than the full cost of the first year of hospitalization.

Reimbursement Offices were established in the State hospitals during 1976, but this office continued to conduct investigations into the ability of patients and their responsible relatives to pay, to enter recommendations of payment, and to file for third party benefits to assist the State until they were ready to handle these functions on their own.

We discontinued performing these services for the State in the fall of 1976. However, in November, we assumed the responsibility for effecting reimbursement of services rendered by our out-patient Community Mental Health clinics.

Much effort throughout the year was put into the development of a new program with the District Courts, to increase the amount of monies recovered for Court-appointed attorney fees. In 1976, there was a ninety-one per cent increase in collections over 1975. With the new attorney program, we expect to eventually increase attorney revenue by \$20,000 per month.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please call me.

  
Sandra L. McKay, Mgr.  
Reimbursement Division

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REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION

January 1, 1976, thru December 31, 1976

Report of Activity

<u>ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PAYMENTS</u>		
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Child Care (Juvenile Maintenance)	6,290	5,347	4,892
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Juvenile)	2,148	1,647	377
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Mental Health)	154		
Mental Institutions & Emergency Care State of Michigan Mental Health	1,536	2,298	2,498
Reimbursement Collections			
Reimbursement of Doctors' Exams	2	3	75
Community Mental Health - In-Patient	38	71	124
Community Mental Health - Out-Patient	589		
Oakland County Hospital	177	173	29
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Costs	8,704	5,696	
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Attorney Fees	1,510	970	
Circuit Court Fines	<u>111</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>          </u>
Total:	21,452	16,296	7,995
 <u>TRUST ACCOUNTS</u>			
Boys & Girls Training Schools & Boarding Homes	825	686	705
Probate Support	179	123	178
Circuit Court Restitution	<u>932</u>	<u>599</u>	<u>          </u>
Total:	1,936	1,408	883
Combined Total:	23,388	17,704	8,878
 <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>			
Number of Auditors Cash Receipt Transactions	1,978	1,770	1,309
Number of Welfare Client Transactions	<u>963</u>	<u>361</u>	<u>          </u>
Total:	2,941	2,131	1,309
GRAND TOTAL:	26,329	19,835	10,187

REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION

Statement of Receipts

January 1, 1976, thru December 31, 1976

ACCOUNTS:

AMOUNT RECEIVED

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Child Care (Juvenile Maintenance)	\$308,626.43	\$260,027.23	\$230,906.63
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Juvenile)	60,050.36	46,036.12	8,915.40
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Mental Health)	11,274.50		
Mental Institutions & Emergency Care	447,297.81	791,874.52	514,685.23
State of Michigan Mental Health Reimbursement Collections	319,694.18		
Reimbursement of Doctors' Exams	300.00	150.00	1,661.00
Community Mental Health - In-Patient	1,752.63	2,186.00	11,531.91
Community Mental Health - Out-Patient	33,503.25		
Oakland County Hospital	67,147.82	58,949.98	1,046.31
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Costs	285,195.43	184,074.24	
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Attorney Fees	46,799.83	24,414.49	
Circuit Court Fines	23,605.00	7,715.00	
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TOTAL:	\$1,605,247.24	\$1,375,427.58	\$768,746.48

TRUST ACCOUNTS:

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Boys & Girls Training Schools and Group Homes	\$ 21,383.21	\$ 17,136.41	\$ 14,498.96
Probate Support	27,231.38	13,561.13	20,761.49
Circuit Court Restitution	<u>58,969.13</u>	<u>32,048.71</u>	<hr/>
TOTAL:	\$107,583.72	\$ 62,746.25	\$ 35,260.45
COMBINED TOTAL:	\$1,712,830.96	\$1,438,173.83	\$804,006.93

JUVENILE ACCOUNTS  
Statement of Receipts

January 1, 1976, thru December 31, 1976

<u>ACCOUNTS:</u>	<u>REIMBURSEMENT RECEIVED</u>		
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Child Care	\$308,626.43	\$260,027.23	\$230,906.63
Trust Accounts			
Boys & Girls Vocational Schools, Half-Way Houses & Group Homes	21,383.21*	17,136.41	14,498.96
Probate Support	<u>27,231.38**</u>	<u>13,561.13</u>	<u>20,761.49</u>
COMBINED TOTAL:	\$357,241.02	\$290,724.77	\$266,167.08

WARDS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

BOARD & CARE, GROUP HOMES, HALF-WAY HOUSES,  
& BOYS & GIRLS TRAINING SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Cost to Oakland County	\$491,813.00	\$321,222.00	\$222,214.43
Reimbursement	\$ 21,383.71	\$ 17,136.41	\$ 14,498.96

REIMBURSEMENT FOR COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEYS (JUVENILE)

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Cost to Oakland County	\$264,711.00	\$270,128.43	\$ 75,652.00
Reimbursement	\$ 60,050.36	\$ 46,036.12	\$ 8,915.40

The Reimbursement Division is responsible for collection of all charges ordered by the Probate Judges for care supplied by the County through the Juvenile Court. Whenever a child receives this care, a financial statement is taken and an Order is entered commensurate with the parents' ability to pay.

\*This amount includes \$781.50 credited to Oakland County on the State Support of Patients, and represents one-half of the Social Security benefits collected by the Department of Revenue.

\*\*Probate Support accounts represent monies collected and paid out as received to the person caring for the child. This is as decreed by a Probate Court Order.

CIRCUIT COURT PROGRAM

January 1, 1976, thru December 31, 1976

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>
Court Costs	\$285,195.43	\$184,074.24	\$147,265.79
Restitution	58,969.13	32,048.71	41,577.58
Fines	23,605.00	7,715.00	8,185.00
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TOTAL:	\$367,769.56	\$223,837.95	\$197,028.37

In October, 1973, the responsibility for collection of the above ordered payments was transferred to the Reimbursement Division from the Probation Department.

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY PROGRAM

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>
Cost to County	\$836,865.39	\$697,015.30	\$571,300.94
Funds Recovered	\$ 46,799.83	\$ 24,414.49	\$ 20,746.40

Upon the approval and direction of the Circuit Court Bench, and the Public Protection and Judiciary Committee, in July, 1972, the Board of Auditors, through its Reimbursement Division, and in conjunction with the Court Administrator, began to formulate a collection procedure to recover funds expended by Oakland County for court appointed attorneys in felony matters.

As of February, 1973, the program became operable in a minimal fashion, as the above figures indicate, and at the present time, affirmative action is being taken to strengthen the program.

## STATE INSTITUTIONS

January 1, 1976, thru December 31, 1976

## REIMBURSEMENTS

	Amt. Collected by County <u>1976</u>	Credits from Dept. of Rev. <u>1976</u>	Total Amt. Collected <u>1976</u>	Total Amt. Collected <u>1975</u>
<u>INSTITUTIONS FOR THE MENTALLY ILL</u>				
Detroit Psychiatric Institute	\$ -0-	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ -0-
Hawthorn Center	2,164.15	-0-	2,164.15	11,709.23
Kalamazoo	450.00	-0-	450.00	-0-
Lafayette Clinic	108,882.93	3,421.92	112,304.85	111,281.08
Northville	512.95	3,246.23	3,759.18	1,116.11
Oakland Medical Center	-0-	8.16	8.16	1,563.80
Clinton Valley Center and Emergency Care	289,524.11	31,657.11	321,181.22	655,071.94
Traverse City	-0-	594.30	594.30	-0-
Ypsilanti	<u>275.49</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>275.49</u>	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL:	\$401,809.63	\$ 38,942.72	\$440,752.35	\$780,742.16
 <u>INSTITUTIONS FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED</u>				
Macomb-Oakland	\$ 1,420.00	\$ 4,265.46	\$ 5,685.46	\$ 3,971.01
Oakdale Center	<u>785.00</u>	<u>75.00</u>	<u>860.00</u>	<u>4,403.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 2,205.00	\$ 4,340.46	\$ 6,545.46	\$ 8,374.01
COMBINED TOTAL:	\$404,014.63	\$ 43,283.18	\$447,297.81	\$789,116.17



MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH  
IN-PATIENT

Accounts for patients hospitalized under Act 54 are referred to the Reimbursement Division for investigation and collection, based on findings of ability to pay of the patient and/or his responsible relatives.

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Reimbursement	\$ 1,752.63	\$ 2,186.00	\$ 11,531.91

OAKLAND COUNTY HOSPITAL

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>
Reimbursement	\$ 67,147.82	\$ 58,949.98	\$ 1,071.31

The above receipts cover delinquent accounts that were referred to the Reimbursement Division for collection.

REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES (PROBATE COURT-MENTAL HEALTH)

	<u>1976</u>
Cost to County	\$ 45,155.33
Reimbursement	\$ 11,274.50

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH  
OUT-PATIENT

<u>CLINIC</u>	<u>Personal</u> <u>Payments</u>	<u>Blue Cross</u>	<u>Medicaid</u>
Child & Adolescent	\$ 3,720.50	\$17,804.50	\$ 67.50
South Oakland Program	2,034.50	1,299.50	-0-
West Oakland Community Mental Health	601.50	5,793.00	378.00
Fairlawn Center	50.00	-0-	-0-
Counseling & Evaluation	119.00	1,503.75	131.50
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TOTAL:	\$ 6,525.50	\$26,400.75	\$ 577.00

GRAND TOTAL: \$33,503.25\*

\*This program was turned over to the Reimbursement Division in November, 1976.

STATE OPERATED SERVICES  
January 1, 1976, thru December 31, 1976

<u>INSTITUTION</u>	<u>Net Cost</u>	<u>County Share</u>	<u>Pre 1976 Debits/Credits</u>	<u>Total County Cost</u>
Alpine Center	\$ 52,568.07	\$ 2,937.12	\$ -0-	\$ 2,937.12
Caro Retardation Center	506,360.23	28,645.47	2,055.00+	26,590.47
Center for Human Develop.	351,412.85	19,946.09	-0-	19,946.09
Clinton Valley Center	3,169,570.94	179,428.83	46,573.07+	132,855.77
Coldwater State Home & Training School	197,760.39	11,234.82	-0-	11,234.82
Detroit Psychiatric Inst.	649.40	35.72	2,139.00	2,174.72
Hawthorn Center	69,232.31	3,239.50	9,877.63+	5,857.18+
Hillcrest Center (Howell)	77,433.85	4,410.83	-0-	4,410.83
Ionia	250.00+	13.75+	-0-	13.75+
Kalamazoo State Hospital	5,715.60	314.36	-0-	314.36
Lafayette Clinic	351,949.26	19,691.29	36,158.84+	16,467.55+
Macomb-Oakland Center	8,219.73+	418.62+	2,737.68+	3,156.30+
Newberry M.I.State Hosp.	3,835.00	194.51	-0-	194.51
Newberry M.R.State Hosp.	9,955.10	558.75	-0-	558.75
Northville Residential Ctr.	53,438.00	3,000.01	-0-	3,000.01
Northville State Hospital	30,818.37	1,667.37	2,838.05+	1,170.68+
Oakdale Center (Lapeer)	2,506,698.46	142,142.86	6,354.00+	135,788.86
Oakland Medical Center	274,123.05	15,365.19	13,803.33+	1,561.86
Plymouth Center	602,056.79	34,017.39	20,683.70+	13,333.69
Riverside Center	2,345.20	128.98	1,372.80+	1,243.82+
Thumbtac	1,932.40	106.00	-0-	106.00
Traverse City State Hosp.	68,304.50	3,935.04	6,186.30+	2,251.26+
West Oakland CMH Center	3,102.64+	168.49+	7,969.31+	8,137.80+
Ypsilanti State Hospital	64,557.12	3,725.99	-0-	3,725.99
GRAND TOTALS:	\$8,389,144.52	\$474,125.26	\$154,470.71+	\$320,435.51