

Daniel T. Murphy, County Executive

1978

**REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION
ANNUAL REPORT**

R-OCDOC
HF
5685
.B2
O2
1978



KFB
4744
. B8
1978

COUNTY OF OAKLAND

DANIEL T. MURPHY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE

June 15, 1979

To: Daniel T. Murphy
Oakland County Executive

OAKLAND COUNTY
REFERENCE LIBRARY

Governmental Reference Library

JUL 02 1979

OAKLAND COUNTY

The activities of the Reimbursement Division for the year 1978 are summarized in this report for your review.

With the cooperation of the Circuit Bench, we were able to increase our collection of fees paid for appointed counsel by seventy-five per cent over 1977. I am hopeful that with a continuation of efforts, next year's revenue will increase significantly.

Because of the tremendous workload during 1978, and a shortage of County funds, it was decided that the Community Mental Health out-patient clinics would assume responsibility for the billing and collection of their services. This program was phased out of this office at the end of the year's transactions.

It was also determined that this office would no longer assist the Department of Social Services by acting as third party payee on some of their restrictive and protective payee accounts. This function was assumed by Credit Counselors, of Pontiac, beginning January 1, 1979.

If you have any questions concerning this report, I would be most happy to discuss them with you.

Sandra L. McKay
Sandra L. McKay, Manager
Reimbursement Division

SLM:cr
cc: James M. Brennan

TABLE OF CONTENTS

REPORT OF ACTIVITY 1

TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT (Statement of Receipts) 2

JUVENILE COURT ACCOUNTS 3

CIRCUIT COURT PROGRAMS 4

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS:

 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH - In-Patient 5

 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH - Out-Patient. 6

 OAKLAND COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY 5

 REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES - Mental Health. . 5

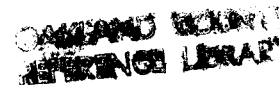
REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION

January 1, 1978, thru December 31, 1978

Report of Activity

<u>ACCOUNTS:</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PAYMENTS</u>		
	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Child Care (Juvenile Maintenance)	5,758	5,847	5,277
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Juvenile)	2,611	2,083	701
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Mental Health)	282	260	
Mental Institutions & Emergency Care	385	1,039	3,865
Reimbursement of Doctor's Exams	3		43
Community Mental Health - In-patient	16	19	126
Community Mental Health - Out-patient	943	983	
Oakland County Medical Care Facility	121	134	21
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Costs	9,882	9,755	764
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Attorney Fees	4,511	3,970	732
Circuit Court Fines	118	106	5
Paternity Blood Test Fees	60	11	
Reimbursement of Transcript Fees	<u>7</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total:	24,697	24,207	11,534
 <u>TRUST ACCOUNTS:</u>	 <u>1978</u>	 <u>1977</u>	 <u>1973</u>
Boys & Girls Training Schools & Boarding Homes	613	742	813
Probate Support	196	257	217
Circuit Court Restitution	1,943	1,523	73
State of Michigan Mental Health Reimbursement Collections	14	106	
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total:	2,766	2,628	1,103
Combined Total:	27,463	26,835	12,637
 <u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	 <u>1978</u>	 <u>1977</u>	 <u>1973</u>
Number of Auditors Cash Receipt Transactions	49*	2,214	1,449
Number of Welfare Client Transactions	<u>1,848</u>	<u>1,611</u>	<u> </u>
Total:	1,897	3,825	1,449
Grand Total:	29,360	30,660	14,086

*As of January, 1978, the Accounting Division assumed this function for all transactions other than Land Sales and the Building Fund.



REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION

Statement of Receipts

January 1, 1978, thru December 31, 1978

ACCOUNTS:

AMOUNT RECEIVED

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Child Care (Juvenile Maintenance)	\$332,023.94	\$305,837.82	\$217,928.65
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Juvenile)	81,121.37	58,338.43	
Reimbursement of Attorney Fees (Probate Court - Mental Health)	12,730.61	12,511.99	18,952.37
Mental Institutions & Emergency Care	42,074.71	44,471.38	808,082.24
Reimbursement of Doctors' Exams	100.00		1,125.00
Community Mental Health - In-patient	220.00	527.35	5,259.58
Community Mental Health - Out-patient	154,734.80	173,769.99	
Oakland County Medical Care Facility	54,137.61	54,795.33	595.00
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Costs	436,644.70	370,166.69	24,924.80
Reimbursement of Circuit Court Attorney Fees	137,870.23	78,445.48	17,773.50
Circuit Court Fines	17,825.00	12,195.00	20.00
Paternity Blood Test Fees	575.00	165.00	
Reimbursement of Transcript Fees	80.00		
Total:	\$1,270,137.97	\$1,111,224.46	\$1,094,661.14

TRUST ACCOUNTS:

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Boys & Girls Training Schools and Group Homes	\$ 19,462.49	\$ 23,156.73	\$ 14,117.07
Probate Support	80,465.60	36,502.69	9,869.38
Circuit Court Restitution	176,668.63	121,501.36	2,277.41
State of Michigan Mental Health Reimbursement Collections	31,905.94	178,758.25	
Total:	\$ 308,502.66	\$ 359,919.03	\$ 26,263.86

Combined Total: \$1,578,640.63 \$1,471,143.49 \$1,120,925.00

JUVENILE ACCOUNTS
Statement of Receipts

January 1, 1978, thru December 31, 1978

ACCOUNTS:

REIMBURSEMENT RECEIVED

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Child Care	\$332,023.94	\$305,837.82	\$217,928.65
Trust Accounts	19,462.49*	23,156.73	14,117.07
Boys & Girls Vocational Schools, Half-Way Houses and Group Homes			
Probate Support	<u>80,465.60**</u>	<u>36,502.69</u>	<u>9,869.38</u>
Combined Total:	\$431,952.03	\$365,497.24	\$241,915.10

*This amount includes \$4,222.40 credited to Oakland County on the State Support of Patients, and represents one-half of the Social Security benefits collected by the Department of Social Services.

**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.

WARDS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

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

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Cost to Oakland County	\$428,632.84	\$452,330.00	\$157,299.26
Reimbursement	\$ 19,462.49	\$ 23,156.73	\$ 14,117.07

REIMBURSEMENT FOR COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEYS (JUVENILE)

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Cost to Oakland County	\$322,442.15	\$309,379.00	\$127,195.00
Reimbursement	\$ 81,121.37*	\$ 58,338.43	\$ 18,952.37

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.

*Parents of juveniles requesting Court appointed counsel are referred to this Division for our recommendation prior to the appointment, as often parents have ability to retain counsel privately, thus enabling the County to decrease the amount of funds spent in this area.

CIRCUIT COURT PROGRAM

January 1, 1978, thru December 31, 1978

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>
Court Costs	\$436,644.70	\$370,166.69	\$285,195.43
Restitution	176,668.63	121,501.36	58,969.13
Fines	17,825.00	12,195.00	23,605.00
Transcript Fees	80.00*		
Total:	\$631,218.33**	\$503,863.05	\$367,769.56

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

*In May of 1978, the reimbursement of transcript fees was begun in a limited fashion.

**In addition to the above amount, there was approximately \$6,000 credited toward the ordered fees under the work referral program.

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY PROGRAM

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>
Cost to County	\$830,159.70	\$704,978.50	\$836,865.39
Funds Recovered	\$137,870.23*	\$ 78,445.48	\$ 46,799.83

Upon the approval and direction of the Circuit Court Bench and the Public Protection and Judiciary Committee, in July, 1972, the Board of Auditors (now known as Oakland County Executive), 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.

*The 46th and the 52/1 District Courts have required defendants that they have placed on probation to repay attorney fees, thus assisting this Division in collecting \$9,595.00 of the above funds.

PATERNITY BLOOD TEST FEES

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>
Funds Recovered	\$ 575.00	\$ 165.00

The Reimbursement Division became active in the collection of fees paid for blood tests in paternity matters in the fall of 1977.

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>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Reimbursement	\$ 220.00	\$ 527.35	\$ 5,259.58

OAKLAND COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1973</u>
Reimbursement	\$54,137.61	\$54,795.33	\$ 595.00

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

REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES (PROBATE COURT-MENTAL HEALTH)

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>
Cost to County	\$57,826.54	\$53,987.90	\$45,155.33
Reimbursement	\$12,730.61	\$12,511.99	\$11,274.50

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
OUT-PATIENT

1978

<u>CLINIC</u>	<u>Personal Payments</u>	<u>Blue Cross and Other Insurance</u>	<u>Medicaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
Child & Adolescent	\$ 26,246.85	\$ 46,547.00	\$ 911.25	\$ 73,705.10
South Oakland Program	34,403.23	6,920.29	869.95	42,193.47
West Oakland Community Mental Health Fairlawn Center	8,413.24	24,255.80	2,822.99	35,492.03
Counseling & Evaluation	<u>174.00</u>	<u>2,415.50</u>	<u>754.70</u>	<u>3,344.20</u>
Total:	\$ 69,237.32	\$ 80,138.59*	\$ 5,358.89	\$154,734.80*

Grand Total: \$154,734.80*

*In addition to the above amounts, \$30,998.75 in Blue Cross billings were processed by this Division during the year of 1978. However, the revenue was not received by the clinics until early 1979.

1977

<u>CLINIC</u>	<u>Personal Payments</u>	<u>Blue Cross and Other Insurance</u>	<u>Medicaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
Child & Adolescent	\$ 24,917.30	\$ 71,578.50	\$ 203.75	\$ 96,699.55
South Oakland Program	25,799.31	8,749.00		34,548.31
West Oakland Community Mental Health Fairlawn Center	4,985.00	25,768.45	2,295.60	33,049.05
Counseling & Evaluation	<u>399.00</u>	<u>6,536.75</u>	<u>1,059.08</u>	<u>7,994.83</u>
Total:	\$ 56,239.61	\$113,971.95	\$ 3,558.43	\$173,769.99

Grand Total: \$173,769.99

This program was turned over to the Reimbursement Division in November, 1976. However, after 1978, the Community Mental Health Out-patient Clinics assumed the responsibility for the collection of their own accounts.