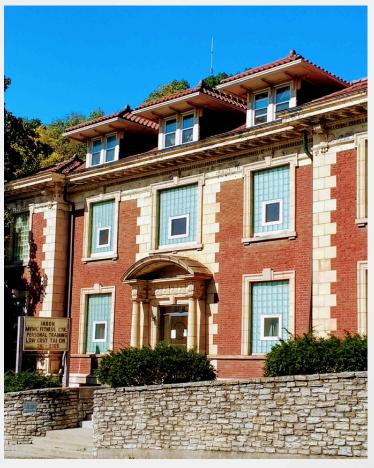


# OVERCOMING CHALLENGES FOR A BETTER FUTURE









## OUR MISSION

Our mission is to assist youth and adults who use IKRON's services to build self-confidence, attain greater self-sufficiency, lead more meaningful and fulfilling lives and to obtain and maintain satisfying employment.

### OUR PHILOSOPHY

We believe that all persons have the potential for living more fulfilling lives. We place strong emphasis on respect and support for persons with challenges in relationships, education, employment or disability. Our services are fashioned to the needs and level of readiness of the individual in a caring, dignified and respectful environment.

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#### A YEAR'S OVERVIEW....

#### FROM IKRON CINCINNATI

Here at IKRON, 2024 has been a year full of new beginnings and exciting change. Our private practice counseling services, now officially known as Auburn Counseling, began operation in our Wellington building. We hope to see continued success and growth in our services to have a greatest impact in our community that we can. Our work with Cincinnati Public Schools (CPS) continues, providing services to youth and families at over 50 schools in four counties and helping them build self-esteem and confidence, resulting in stronger, healthier family units. IKRON and CPS also partnered on their Summer Youth program, with IKRON providing staff members to assist students in their career tryouts, serving over 140 individuals. Additionally, IKRON entered into contracts with both Winton Woods High School and Sycamore High School to provide career training and work readiness curriculum. We will continue this work with them in 2025.

IKRON extends their immense gratitude towards organizations that have awarded us new grants and funding. Through the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (ODMHAS), we were able to hire more Career Specialists, which is necessary for our increased referrals for employment services. ODMHAS grants also went towards our peer-run support services, Warmline and Mighty Vine Wellness Club, increasing staff, training, resources, and updating our peer-run websites. Access to computer training was increased through a grant from United Way, and our food services training program was awarded funding from Fifth Third Bank, which will go towards the Graveson kitchen for expanded youth culinary curriculum.

IKRON has partnered with Evergreen, who provides virtual case management services throughout the state of Ohio, which has led to more individuals achieving personal mental health and vocational goals. Other highlights include once again achieving all outcomes with our Hamilton County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board contract, exceeding the number of individuals achieving gainful employment and expanding resources to enhance our employment services programming. Speaking of exceeding goals, we have seen growth in almost all areas – hiring more staff, reducing waitlist times, increased job placements, improving social connectedness and financial outlook and more. 2024 has been a successful year thanks to our Board of Trustees, staff, participants, and community partners. IKRON can't wait to see what next year brings!

#### A YEAR'S OVERVIEW....

#### FROM IKRON GREATER SEATTLE

On the other side of the country, IKRON Seattle has had an equally exciting year. IKRON Seattle made major strides in three key areas in fiscal year 2024: meeting performance incentives and growing funding sources, workforce stabilization and upskilling, and expanded community partnerships.

The organization entered fiscal year 2025 in good financial health, better able to serve our clients and their diverse and evolving needs. These including housing, behavioral health, and vocational needs, representing multiple facets of the IKRON mission. IKRON Seattle was granted additional funding for our PACT Team to support two additional full-time positions. Both will help to secure and maintain housing for PACT participants. Through the PACT program, IKRON also received a monthly payment increase and was awarded a bridge funding grant of \$240,000 to continue growing the number of participants on our team.

Outside of the PACT team, IKRON's vocational and behavioral health programs are growing in referrals and revenue across multiple offices. The organization received incentive payments from King County in recognition of improved overall performance, and incentive payments for meeting excellent clinical care standards, as well.

Despite ongoing challenges within the community behavioral health field – burnout and staff turnover remain high and fewer applicants are applying to jobs – IKRON Seattle has achieved a notable level of workforce stability. IKRON Seattle has nearly all positions filled across all teams. eam dynamics are trending positively. Leadership is closely integrated with King County, the largest county in the state, and is working to set up the Relias training platform for the agency, with all costs expected to be covered by the county for the next decade. Staff benefit from this relationship through further trainings fully covered by King County, including an all-staff training for overdose prevention and safe Narcan use.



Lastly, IKRON Seattle continues to deepen and expand our relationships which are critical to delivering for the communities we serve. The organization advocated for the creating of a substance use counseling degree program at the local technical college, which has now been approved by the relevant state oversight board. This new program could be offered as soon as fall 2025. Additionally, with a new crisis facility opening in Kirkland, WA, IKRON leadership has developed a partnership for ongoing client referrals and collaboration. This facility, bringing a much-needed approach to treating clients in crisis, will have a 23-hour observation model and inpatient program, and would serve as a sustainable source of client referrals.

In 2024, IKRON formed a partnership with the WA Behavioral Health Workforce Development Initiative and is now on the approved list of community partners as a qualified organization for graduating Master's students. The WA Behavioral Health Workforce Development Initiative is a program to help address persistent behavioral health workforce challenges. The aim is to significantly decrease student debt and increase the number and diversity of exceptionally prepared graduates. IKRON Seattle has also partnered jointly with University of Washington and Eastern Washington University to be the pilot organization to implement a Behavioral Health Support Specialist practicum program for a BHSS student.

IKRON Seattle continues to thrive, thanks to increased and extended funding, continued education and supportive partnerships, and our amazing staff! Thanks for a great year!





## HOW WE SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY

Our staff provides high quality services, demonstrated by our 97% satisfaction rate. Below are quotes from our participants about what they enjoyed most about IKRON and the services provided.

2,267

unique individuals served in 2024

Very welcoming and inclusive. I actually recommend this place to people a lot because it truly is an incredible service.

The thing I like most about IKRON is having kind and caring professionals help me get better.

They treat me with dignity and respect.



#### PARTICIPANT SPOTLIGHT



Artez is involved in many services at IKRON including SA Group, Men's Group, Individual Counseling, and he also utilizes the Mighty Vine Wellness Center each day. Since participating in IKRON's services, Artez stated that his confidence has skyrocketed, he practices more positive self talk, has more compassion and empathy for others, and has noticed improvement in his overall emotional wellbeing. Artez is now looking to begin volunteering at IKRON's front desk!

#### **IKRON CINCINNATI STAFF**



#### **Management Staff**

Chief Executive Officer
MIS Director
Chief Operations Officer
Chief Programs Officer
Director of Placement Services
Director of Finance and Accounting
Director of Clinical Services

Randy Strunk
David James
Melissa Harmeling
Darla Menz
Cheryl Krummen
Theresa Zaffiro
Janie O'Brien



## Programming and Support Staff



**Hend Aldosari** - Counselor ; Pre-ETS Staff **Noor Almaznai** - Quality Improvement and Accreditation Specialist

Debbie Altemuehle - Pre-ETS Specialist

Alexis Armacost - Employment Services Assistant

Georgia Bailey - DNP, APRN, FNP-C

Calvin Barfield - Support /Job Coach

Jennifer Barrett - Vocational Services Coordinator

Ronald Bashara - Career Specialist - Trainer

Courtney Basone - Accounting Specialist

Samantha Bixler - Career Specialist - Trainer

**Jeffrey Blake** - Career Specialist - Trainer

Nancy Bradford - Placement Coordinator

Kelly Broxterman - Career Specialist - Trainer

**Cristian Capell** - Youth Group Coordinator/Counselor

**Brooke Caudill** - Support / Job Coach

**Sherry Clower** - Career Specialist - Placement

Sarah Coffey - Career Specialist - Trainer

Cara Cordell - Office Specialist

James Crosby - Career Specialist - Placement

Hannah Davis - Development Specialist

Patricia Dittmeier - Intern Coordinator / Counselor

Marcus Easterly - Lead Career Specialist - School

Erik Edwards - Personal Trainer

Rachel Eklund - Federal Probation Coordinator

Lindsey Elder - Career Specialist

**Lisa Ellerhorst** - Pre-ETS Specialist

Diana Enzweiler - Career Specialist - Placement

John Ezenagu - Career Specialist - Placement

Grace Garber - Professional Counselor

Arthur Greenlee IV - Career Specialist - Trainer

Susan Hand - Career Specialist - Trainer

Lindsay Heckman - Career Specialist

Chelsea Hermann - Contract Accreditation Specialist

Christine Hill - Career Specialist - Trainer

**Stuart Holt** - Career Specialist - Trainer

Frances Holzshuh - Pre-ETS Specialist

Cherie Houchin - Support Services Coordinator

Darla Huffman - Career Specialist - Trainer

Cynthia Janson - Pre-ETS Specialist

**Erin Jennings** - Community Support Specialist

**Kelly Jones** - Accountant

Stephanie Kennedy - Career Specialist - Trainer

Kaitlin Kirk - Career Specialist - Trainer

Amy Knabe - Human Resource Assistant

Audrey Koopman - Lead Career Specialist - School

Hannah Kuster - Licensed Clinical Counselor

Austin Kyle - Lead Support / Job Coach

**Kevin Lane** - Support / Job Coaching Coordinator

**Lindsey Laube** - Intake Coordinator / Counselor

Amanda Lim - Licensed Counselor

Rebecca Luker - Career Specialist - Placement

**Beth Maltry** - Career Specialist - Trainer

**Melissa Martin** - Career Specialist - Trainer

Michelle Mason - Pre-ETS Specialist

Jessy McKeever - Career Specialist - School

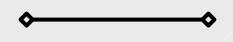
Addison Meyer - Substance Abuse Group Leader

**Kelly Miller** - Vocational Instructor, Computers





#### **Programming and Support Staff**



James Morris - Building Maintenance Staff

Dr. Mary Moster - Psychologist

Katherine Nickles - Executive Specialist

Joseph Oakwood - Director of Private Practice Services Alexia Strader - Career Specialist - Trainer

Scarlett Owens-Wolpert - Program Intake Specialist

Jordan Parker - Career Specialist - Trainer

**Andrew Parlin** - Counselor / Therapist

Riley Paulus - Marketing Specialist

Jeannie Perry - Career Specialist - Trainer

Jill Rahm - Accounting Specialist

Nicholas Ranz - Career Specialist - Placement

Danielle Rinn - Career Specialist - Trainer

Alyson Roeseler - Career Specialist - Trainer

Kristin Rudy - Counselor

Teresa Rust - Medical Assistant

Melissa Sauer - Career Specialist - Trainer

Julie Schild - Clinical Director

Cailin Schock - Program and Employment Services

Lead

Morgan Shaw - Career Specialist - Trainer

Joseph Sheehan - Community Support Specialist

Melinda Stewart - Pre-ETS Specialist

Katherine Straley - Career Specialist

Amy Stullenberger - VRP3 Counselor

Melissa Sullivan - CBA and Evaluation Specialist

**Dawson Sweet** - IT/Maintenance Specialist

Olivia Tore - Lead Career Specialist

Venita Tyler - Vocational Instructor, Computer Training Staff

Robert Wagner - Vocational Instructor, Food Services

Elizabeth Wallace - Career Specialist - Trainer

Nathaniel Waspe - Career Specialist - Placement

**Cindy Waters** - Community Support Specialist

Rachel Wegner - Pre-ETS Specialist

Susan Wilcox - Billing and Development Specialist

Nicholas Willis - Career Specialist - Trainer



#### **IKRON GREATER SEATTLE STAFF**

#### Management Staff

Executive Director

Clinical Director

Mental Health Supervisor

PACT Team Lead

Vocational Supervisor

Jennifer Jeffries

Alyssa Chamberlain

Timothy Primeaux

Sabrina Walker

Elizabeth Carter



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Warren Barlow - Admin

Karen Belflower - Mental Health Professional - PACT

Ashely Berkley - Mental Health Counselor

Elizabeth Carter - Vocational Supervisor

Alyssa Chamberlain - Clinical Services

Gabriel Couette - Mental Health Counselor

John DeMott - PACT Psychiatrist

Sean Dumke - Substance Use Disorders Clinician

Angeli Fantone - Case Manger - PACT

Edna Mae Felix - Vocational Counselor

Cambie Ferguson - Substance Use Disorders Clinician

Dani Madison Gillis-Arroyo - Co-Occuring Disorders Counselor

Lindy Ginther - Substance Use Disorders Clinician

Lyza Graham - Mental Health Counselor

Matthew Hodson - Substance Use Disorders Clinician

Ai'Jalon Hoston-Pickens - Housing Navigator - PACT

Yu Ting Hsiao - PACT Program Admin Assistant

Carrie Jambresic - Vocational

Norman Kelly - IT Support Specialist
Sadie Kent - Vocational Specialist
Mary Kim - Mental Health Counselor
Sarote Limpanyaloet - Advanced Registered
Nurse

Jeanie Marinella - Vocational Specialist
Michael Martindale - Mental Health Counselor
Sydney McShane - Substance Use Disorders
Travis Miner - Admin

Sarah Parr - Registered Nurse - PACT
Chelsea Peter - Mental Health Counselor
Brianna Peterson - Vocational Counselor
Timothy Primeaux - Mental Health Supervisor
Dia Rosales - Vocational Specialist
Cameron Rosellini - Office Coordinator
Janine Torres - Advanced Registered Nurse
Annie Vang-Imoto - Mental Health Counselor

Angela Wilburn - Peer Support Specialist

Sabrina Walker - PACT Team Lead



#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



**Bruce Pullens**Board President



George Stricker Jr. Board Vice President



**Eric Tharp** Treasurer



**Joan Murray**Board Member



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**Barb Smith**Board Member



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# PEER SUPPORT SERVICES



The mission of Mighty Vine is to improve the lives of people who struggle with mental health through exercise and fitness activities. In 2024, Mighty Vine received 6,902 visits.

MIGHTYVINE.ORG 513-241-9355



Warmline. offers peer support through 24 hour phone services that help individuals in their recovery from various mental and emotional issues. In 2024, 29,565 calls for support were answered.

CINCYWARMLINE.ORG 513-931-9276



The Recovery Center of Hamilton County promotes wellness and personal growth designed to empower individuals in recovery. In the past year, over 11,500 individuals participated in services.

RECOVERYCENTERHC.ORG 513-241-1411





#### FINANCIAL OUTCOMES

	2024	2023	2022
Revenue	\$13,366,017	\$9,000,406	\$7,753,267
Expenses	\$12,540,720	\$8,244,930	\$6,882,919
Increase in Net Assets	\$825,297	\$755,476	\$870,348
Total Net Assets	\$7,081,145	\$6,699,028	\$6,230,019

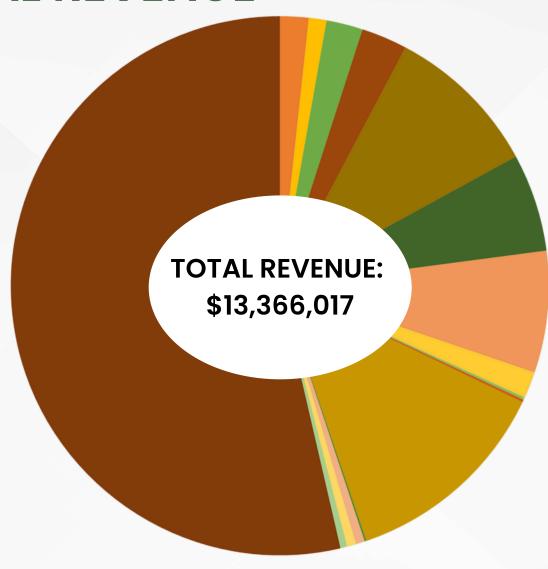
IKRON offers a variety of services and resources to assist youth and adults in achieving their goals, such as employment, education, or recovery of mental health and/or substance use issues.

#### These include:

- Career Counseling
- Computer Training
- Community Based Work Experience
- Diagnostic Assessment
- Individual/Group Counseling
- Job Development and Placement
- Psychological Testing
- Remedial Education
- Support for Persons with Past Substance Abuse

- Support of Peer-Operated Businesses
- Supportive Employment
- Vocational Skills Training
- Work Evaluation and Adjustment
- Youth Employment Services
- Mighty Vine Wellness Club Program
- Recovery Center Program
- WARMLINE Program

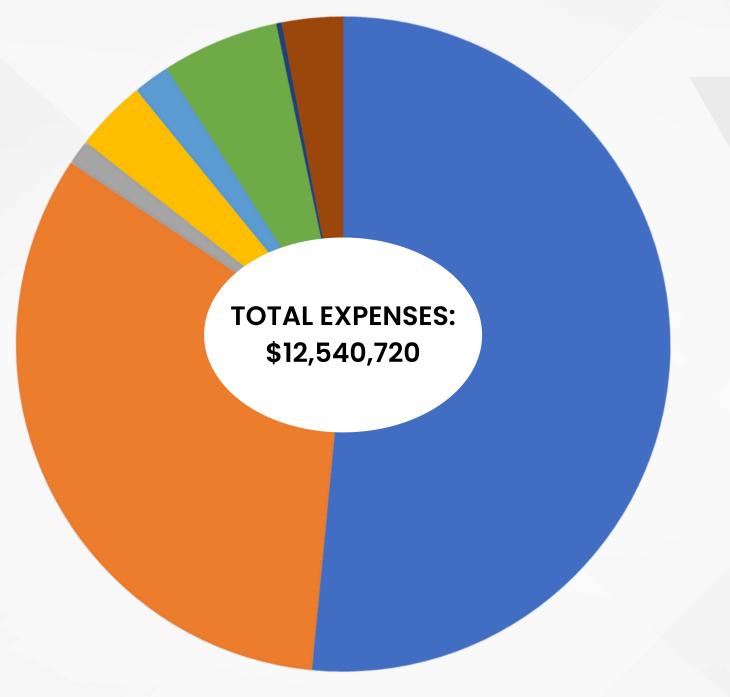
#### **TOTAL REVENUE**



- City of Cincinnati [2%]
- OOD [3%]
- Grants / Contributions [13%]
- MHRSB [10%]
- HealthHomes [<1%]</p>
- King County [18%]
- City of Redmond [1%]
- City of Bellvue [1%]

- US District Court [1%]
- Medicare and Medicaid [4%]
- School Contracts / Department of Education [8%]
- DVR [2%]
- Amerigroup [<1%]
- City of Issaquah [<1%]
- City of Kirkland
- Other [54%]

#### **TOTAL EXPENSES**



- Salaries, Wages, and Benefits Cincinnati [51%]
- Operating Expenses [1%]
- Travel Expenses [2%]
- Professional Expenses [0%]

- Salaries, Wages, and Benefits Seattle [33%]
- Office Expenses [4%]
- Building Expenses [6%]
- Other [3%]



Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities





# THANK YOU TO IKRON'S MAJOR FUNDING SOURCES FOR SUPPORTING THE INDIVIDUALS WE SERVED IN 2024











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