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MISSION

CAO strives to develop and implement strategies which appropriately mix advocacy and education, direct provision of services through agency administered programs and coordination of CAO activities with those of all other institutions, agencies and groups serving those in need.



CAO of Scioto County

- 501(c)3
- Established in 1965 to fight the War on Poverty
- Governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees
 - *Private Sector*
 - *Public Sector*
 - *Customer Sector*
- Annual revenues of \$17 – 20 million, which includes some fee-for-service activities



CAO of Scioto County Programs

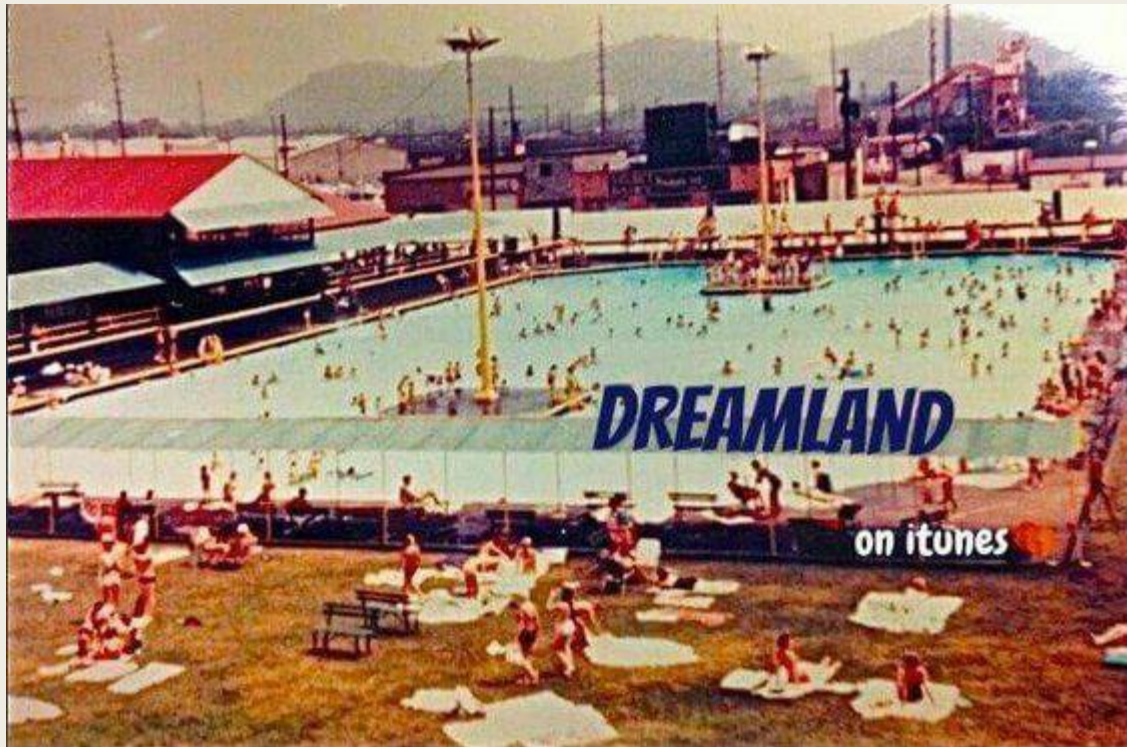
- Home Energy Assistance Program
- Senior Nutrition
- Head Start
- Early Head Start
- Home Weatherization
- Women's Infant's Children
- Workforce Development



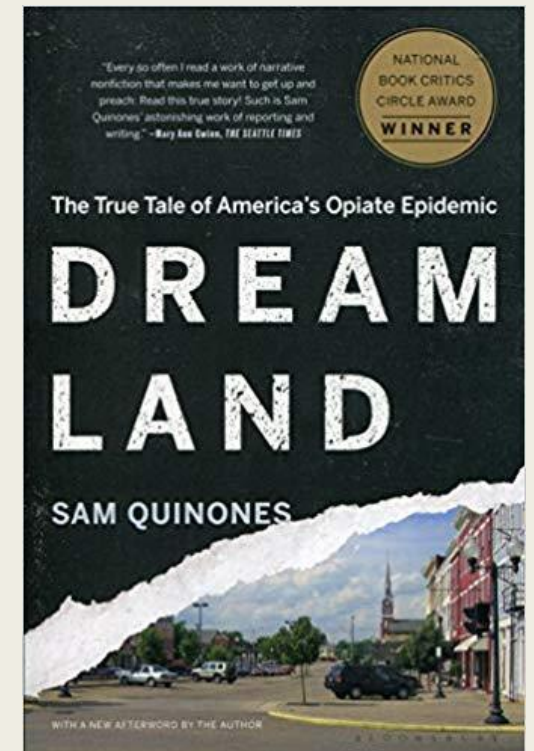
Where is Scioto County, OH?



Over 20 years, we
went from:



To this!



Two Decades of Pill Mills



50% of pain clinics are felon-owned

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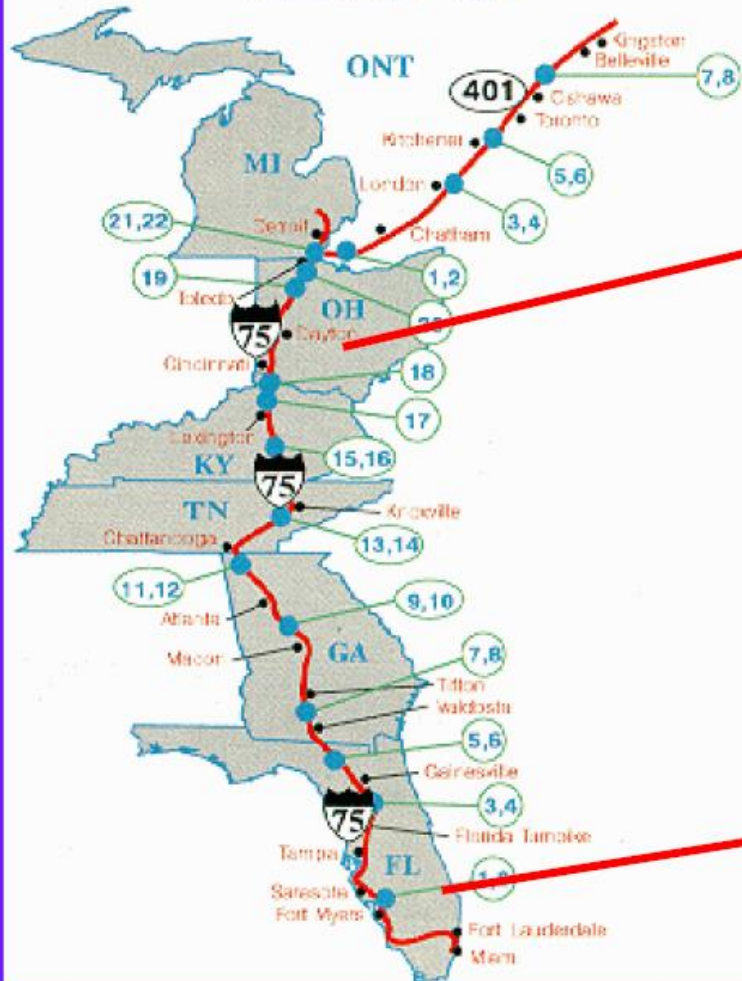
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- 1992-2001 Dr. David Proctor becomes established “pill” doctor in South Shore, KY & opens 12 satellite clinics
- 2000 OxyContin appears in Portsmouth
- 2000 (March) Dr. John Lilly is arrested & sentenced to 5 years in prison
- 2003 Dr. Paul Volkman establishes a pain clinic in Portsmouth
- 2010 - 9 pain clinics are actively operating in Scioto county
- Portsmouth becomes known as “Broward County North”

Oxy Express

ADVANTAGE I-75 CORRIDOR



Scioto County 2010

- On DEA list of top 10 places for prescription pill trafficking
 - 360% increase in fatal drug overdoses in past 8 yrs
 - 10 % of infants are born addicted
 - Hepatitis C & addiction rates 5 X the national average
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- Florida docs write 85% of the oxy scripts in the US

Scioto County Data/ History and Risk Factors:

2010: First county in nation to declare public health emergency related to opioids

2017: The US declared a public health emergency



* Since 2010, numerous state policies and Legislative improvements have dramatically reduced the amounts and strengths of prescription opioids that are prescribed.

Risks:

Appalachian-Distressed County; population 75,000

Ohio's original epicenter for opioid problems

- 2000- First cluster of "pain clinics" across the river (KY)
- 2002- First pill mill established in Portsmouth (OH)
- By 2010- 12 illegitimate Pain Clinics had operated in Scioto County in a "family tree" fashion.
- Between 2002-2011 Home to a leading prescriber of oxycodone in the nation-three different times

- **2010:** Scioto County saw 9.7M pain pills dispensed (123 pills/person)-Highest in Ohio

Results:

- Highest fatal OD rate in state
- Highest opioid addiction rate in Ohio
- Highest rate of NAS
- Highest rate of drug incarcerations in Ohio
- Huge increase in Hepatitis C rates-highest in Ohio

Accomplishments – Aug. 2011



Accomplishments (Aug. 2011):

- 4 Physicians Licenses suspended by OSMB
- 2 Pharmacies DEA suspended
- 3 Clinic owners indicted
- 1 Doctor convicted
- **ZERO PAIN CLINICS!**



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But we continue to have these headlines....

‘Unfathomable’: How 1.6 million pills from a small-town doctor helped fuel the opioid crisis in Ohio

Posted Sep 1, 2019

By [John Caniglia, The Plain Dealer](#)

(this small-town doctor was Margaret Temponeras, who dispensed from Wheelersburg, OH, my hometown.)



Continuous Efforts to Combat the Opioid Epidemic

It's not just opioids!

We transition from prescription pain pills, to heroin, to meth, and back to heroin, and the cycle continues.



CAO Scioto County Workforce Development

And we believe that **EMPLOYMENT** is an important part of recovery!

“Employment is a key functioning index in addiction services and consistently emerges as a goal among persons in recovery.”

Reference: Laudet AB. Rate and predictors of employment among formerly polysubstance dependent urban individuals in recovery. *J Addict Dis.* 2012;31(3):288–302. doi:10.1080/10550887.2012.694604



CAO Scioto County Workforce Development

Accredited by the Commission for Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Certified by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (core funding)
 - *Adult funds*
 - *Dislocated Worker funds*
 - *Youth funds*
 - *Disaster Emergency funds*
 - Disaster clean-up from floods
 - Opioid funding
- Comprehensive Case Management Employment Program
 - *Temporary Assistance for Needy Family funds*



CAO Scioto County Workforce Development

- ADAMHS Board
 - *Prevention funding*
 - *MH/AOD funding*
 - *MOU with Family Reunification Court*
 - *Ohio BWC Jobs Now initiative*
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
 - *2 Youth Resiliency Community Centers*
- Youth Feeding Programs
 - *US Department of Agriculture*
 - *Children's Hunger Alliance*



Services

- Paid Work Experience and Internships with local employers
- Scholarships for tuition books and fees
- Support services
 - *Attempting to work on expanding the County's transportation system*
 - *New partnership with Housing Developer to management apartments*
- Individual, Group and Family MH/AOD Counseling
- Intensive Case Management
- Family Navigation services, through health care system and court system
- Employer Services
 - *Recovery Supports*

What's New in Scioto County?

- **Coordination, Collaboration, Cooperation**
- Intensive Employer Services
- Re-Entry / Offenders being targeted (drug courts/jails/prisons)
- Temporary Emergency Housing
- Family Navigators – serving the family instead of the individual
- Additional staff training – cultural competency & empathy
- New funding that allows us to try new ways of doing things – still need additional options
- Therapeutic Interagency Program (TIP) classrooms (maybe by January 2020)
- Expanded MH services for children – still need a psychiatrist
- Prevention services and community centers

