

Family Services--Adult

Adult Protective Services investigates allegations of abuse, neglect or exploitation of people eighteen years of age or older. The unit monitors rest homes; provides Guardianship and Payee services for adults; offers nursing and rest home placement services and services for the blind; administers transportation services for elderly, disabled, and medically qualified adults, as well as an In Home Aide program to assist those in need of level II care in order that they may remain safely in their homes.

Adult Services manage intake and crisis intervention programs providing financial assistance to eligible low-income persons experiencing heating or cooling related crises, food, shelter and budgeting problems due to emergency circumstances and works with Work First and Children's Protective Services to ensure continuity of services.

Reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation	22
Payee/ guardianship/enhance/at risk	28
Clients in assisted living	8
Medicaid Transportation	550
EDTAP transportation	150
Clients assisted at home	25
Hours of in-home aid	5564
CIP, WFEA and EF&S clients assisted	164

Child Care Services

The Child Day Care Program subsidizes child-care services for qualifying employed parents, those involved in self-improvement programs, and for children in county custody as well as for children with special needs.

Expenditures	604,761.
Smart Start payments	62,750.
Other child-care expenditures	542,011.
Children Served	204

Average monthly payment per child 337
Family Services--Children

The Children's Protective Services unit receives and investigates reports of neglect or abused children; facilitates treatment services designed to remove conditions that put children in danger, and in necessity, removes children from harmful situations.

Adoption and Foster Care services assist children to safe out of home care, reunification with family including long-term safeguards or becoming a legal member of a new, permanent family.

Services include recruiting, assessing, training, licensing foster parents; supporting families through adoption processes and maintaining children in safe, caring environments.

Reports Taken	108
Reports investigated	98
Juvenile Court petitions filed	36
Case Management Cases (avg. mo.)	4
Courtesy interviews	10
Children placed in Foster Care	25
Orders of adoption issued	5
Adoption Assistance cases	7
Licensed foster homes	11
Children placed with relatives	53%
Children placed in county foster homes	31%
Children placed in therapeutic settings	16%
Case reviews by Agency Review Team	54

Pamlico County Children Services continues to maintain quality rankings for it's services on behalf of families and children. It's usage of family placements for foster care and the time in which foster children are placed in permanent family situations rank well when compared to state averages.

The leading problem in the county, which continues to adversely effect children, is drug usage/sales by parents. Pamlico Co. Sheriff's Dept. is doing a tremendous job in working with us on this problem to help us better protect children.

PAMLICO COUNTY



**DEPARTMENT
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DSS in Pamlico County

Your Department of Social Services works to enable Pamlico County citizens to obtain and enjoy physical, emotional and economic self-sufficiency.

We educate ourselves and our community, assess areas of need and advocate for the vulnerable young, disabled and elderly.

Our vision, using every available agency and resource, is to enhance Pamlico County by helping create and support stable individual, family and community relationships.

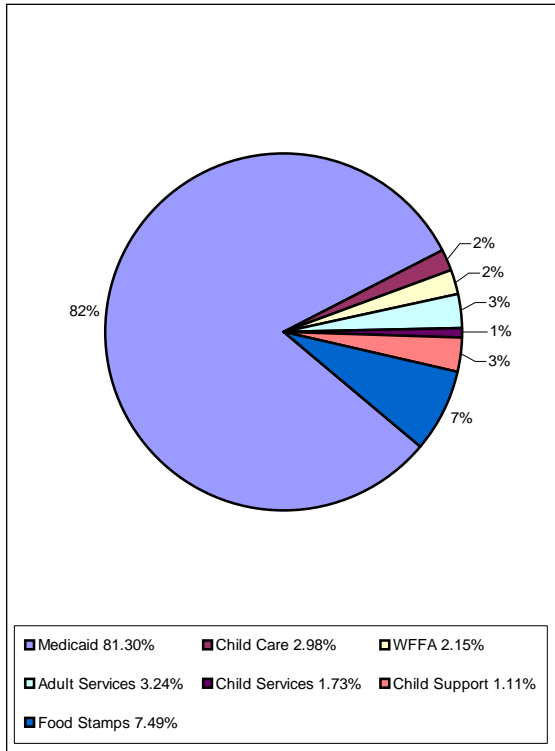


Figure 1 Total Budget: \$22,659,657.

Programs

Work First Family Assistance and Work First Employment

WFFA serves families with dependent children under the age of 19, assisting with preparation for entering the workplace and with money based on needs and resources.

Families served (avg. Monthly)	51
Total Case Reviews	128
Applications completed	133
% change from last year	+ 13%
Average payment	\$272
Child Only Cases (Avg. per year)	25
Single parent cases (Avg. per year)	22
Participants in Work Experience placements (per month average)	2
Avg. sanctions/terminations per mo.	9
Total participants obtaining employment	9
Assessment/reassessment	112
Program expenditures (total)	\$4687
Transportation expenditures (total)	\$1413

Food Stamp Program

This program provides "credit" cards for food purchase to safeguard the health and raise the level of nutrition among low -income households

Applications received	490
Applications approved	413
Applications denied	68
Cases reviewed	560
Cases terminated	181
Households receiving	586
Individuals receiving	1289
% change from last year	+ .8

Medical Assistance

Medicaid is designed to provide health care coverage for the vulnerable elderly, disabled, and blind; for WFFA families, foster and natural children, pregnant women and families in need.

Individuals served	2,206
Elderly and Disabled	427
Pregnant Women	34
Children under 18	1,417
Nursing Home patients	74
Rest Home Patients	24
SSI recipients	355
Applications taken monthly	95
Applications approved monthly	66
Applications denied monthly	31
Applications withdrawn monthly	1
Other Actions (Yr. total)-	480
Ex-parte actions, redeterminations, terminations, transfers, etc.	

Child Support

This service establishes and enforces support obligations for parents absent from the home.

Non-custodial parents located	288
Number of children for whom paternity was established	16
Support Orders enforced	740
New and modified Support Orders Collected	62
	\$1,333,203.
%Change from last year	+10.

TANF/WFFA is the acronym for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families

Encompassing the current Work First family assistance and employment programs preparing clients for the workplace, assisting with transportation and day care for working parents as well as for those in training for personal success in the employment market.

