Geauga County Automatic Data Processing Board

Annual Report 2000

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Director's Remarks

In this report you will read about the computer services and programs provided to various Geauga County offices by the ADP Board and its staff. The ADP Board's efforts are focused on improving county computing services to provide data sharing, resource compatibility and interagency cooperation. We currently support a user vase of approximately 175 mainframe users, our PC user base has grown from 80 PC users across a wide-area network to 100+ users. The introduction of internet access with e-mail capability and web pages for department and officials, will serve as useful resources for the public as well as county offices.

The year 2000 transition and the challenges entailed were managed with poise and confidence. I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to the entire ADP staff for their dedication and professionalism throughout a very demanding year.

Sincerely,

Randall Giles M.I.S. Director

2000 Financial Report			
		Expenses	
Revenues		Personal Services Salaries Medicare	\$343,324 4,849
Auditor Report Sales	\$615	Hospitalization	45,304
Services to other County Agencies:		Retirement	42,329
Dept. of Human Services	\$940	Workers Compensation	1,176
Courts	22,866		
Real Estate Appraisal	35,000	Total Personal Services	\$436,982
Water Resources	18,000	Materials and Supplies	\$19,661
Municipal Court	15,469	Equipment	6,985
Health District	2,750	Contract Services	78,850
		Other	19,807
Total Revenues	\$98,474		
		Total Expenses	\$562,285
		AVG. COST PER DEVICE (terminal/printer/PC)	\$1,789

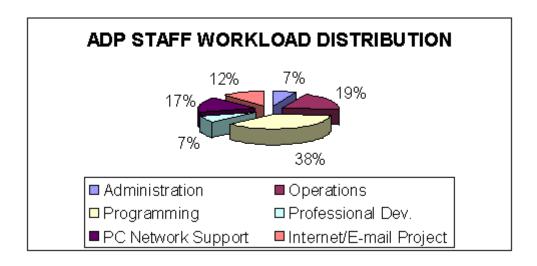


SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT TEAM (211 Main Street, Opera House)

The software development team is responsible for maintaining all in-house software applications. At the present time this represents 21 sub-systems consisting of over 3,500 individual programs. This team is responsible for designing, writing, testing, supporting and implementing all our in-house software, and web page applications.

SYSTEM SUPPORT TEAM (231 Main Street, Annex)

The system support team handles the day-to-day operations in the Data Center. This team is responsible for system maintenance, backup, batch processing, hardware installation, LAN administration, help desk support in the mainframe and PC environments.



Highlights from 2000

- Priority was give to servicing our PC users, and special attention was given to the development of internet access for departments on the county network. More than 1/3 of the operations staff efforts were directed towards this project and at least 1/4 of the programming staff time was dedicated to assisting in the web page development.
- The original disaster recovery plans to use neighboring counties as a hot-site was revamped due to incompatible systems. Our new focus was to use county offices (Department of Emergency Services) as our immediate response area. Storage devises (tapes) and server mirroring our existing server were placed on site to support mission critical systems and plans are being scheduled for mock down-time testing.
- Our software development team completed training for Visual Basic and began testing an application for its uses.
- Help Desk procedures were instituted to better handle and track calls from our user community, and a Service Level Policy was established to foster a county wide compatibility and to bring us into an accountability for the level of support that we provide.

Next Year's Projects

- High priority for 2001 will be again to develop a full-blown disaster recovery test at our disaster hot-site at the Department of Emergency Services. This project will entail loading selected missions critical systems on County's Alpha computer for testing and a recreation of a production environment.
- In 2001 we will continue to offer services to our PC users and will be moving forward with our proposal to setup the infrastructure for a client server environment. A needs assessment is underway. Critical to this effort will be the compatibility of hardware and software that is purchased throughout the county.
- Special attention will be directed to increased uptime of out network, broadening our band-width for faster response time, and expansion of our Wide-Area-Network to more efficiently use county resources.
- Our software development team is evaluating PC based programming language tools in order to begin developing customized PC software applications in-house.