Children’s Behavioral Health Crisis in Ohio

SOBERING STATISTICS

Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death for ages 10-14.

50%

Children with major depression who did not receive mental health services.

42%

Increase in children with anxiety or depression.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

53%

Parents missed work at least one day a month to care for their child’s mental health.

1 in 4

Kids entered the child welfare system due to mental health, developmental challenges, or diversion from juvenile corrections.

STAFFING SHORTAGE

70%

Child welfare and behavioral health agencies with difficulty recruiting and retaining staff.

A Better Way Forward

OHIO HOUSE BILL 33

Ohio House Bill 33:

Address Ohio’s behavioral health workforce crisis and connect more families with services by increasing Medicaid provider rates by 20%.

Protect kids, families, and communities by supporting the Student Wellness and Success Fund (SWSF) and additional accountability measures proposed in HB 33.

IMPROVING ACCESS TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE FOR OHIO KIDS