

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR WARREN AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES

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State Agencies

- NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH)
- NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS)
- NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 directs local governments to either “provide or arrange for” “preventive, rehabilitation, and treatment services” for the “mentally ill, the developmentally disabled, and those suffering from the disease of alcoholism and substance abuse”.

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 requires the establishment by the county of a Local Governmental Unit (LGU), given authority in accordance with Article 41 to provide or arrange for local services.
- The Office of Community Services is the local governmental unit (LGU) given this authority by both Warren and Washington Counties.

Shared Local Governmental Unit

- Warren and Washington Counties have executed an Intermunicipal Agreement which details the sharing of one administrative office, the Office of Community Services for Warren and Washington Counties.
- Administrative costs are totaled and split evenly between the two counties, through an annual chargeback to Washington County.

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 requires each local governmental unit (LGU) to have a Community Services Board (CSB).
- In counties with a population less than 100,000, the CSB can consist of either 9 or 15 members. Our counties each have nine-member boards.
- CSB members serve four year terms; officers are elected for two-year terms.

Office of Community Services Staff

- Robert York, LCSW, MPA – Director of Community Services
- Lisa Coutu, LCSW – Deputy Director-Clinical
- Harry Carlson, MPA – Deputy Director-Fiscal
- Linda Wright, LMHC – Children's Single Point of Access (SPOA) Coordinator
- Vacant – Program Analyst
- Crystal Lawrence, Office Specialist/Secretary to the Community Services Boards

Warren County Community Services Board

- Kimberly Brayton, JD, Ph.D., Chair – Psychologist, Private Practice
- Joan Grishkot, Vice-Chair – Former Director, Warren County Public Health
- Christina Bessen – Parent, Probation Officer
- Barbara Boggia – Retired School Psychologist
- Lu Thomas-Cosgrove, LCSW – Clinical Social Worker, Private Practice
- James P. Dexter – District Superintendent of Schools, WSWHE BOCES
- Holly Irion, LMHC – Counselor, SUNY Adirondack
- Amy Molloy, MSW, M.Ed. – Queensbury School Board
- Maureen Schmidt – Retired, Commissioner of Social Services

Washington County Community Services Board

- Samuel Hall, Chair – Former Director, Washington Co. Veteran’s Services
- Tammy DeLorme, Vice-Chair – Commissioner, Social Services
- Heather Adams-Wendell – Parent, Head Start Assistant Teacher
- Desiree Boucher – Mental Health Program Specialist, NYS DOCCS
- Claire Bromley, LMSW – Social Worker, WSWHE BOCES
- Michelle Burke, RN – Retired School Health Coordinator
- Patricia Hunt – Director, Washington County Public Health
- Linda Michaud – Parent
- Sharon Mead, RN – Nurse, Hudson Falls Central School District

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 requires the direction and administration, by each LGU, of an annual local comprehensive planning process.
- This is accomplished through a subcommittee structure.
- The Local Services Plan for Warren and Washington Counties is posted on the County websites.

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

MHL Article 41 requires each Community Services Board (CSB) to have separate subcommittees for:

- Mental Health
- Alcoholism and Substance Abuse
- Developmental Disabilities

Additionally, we have established:

- Children and Youth Subcommittee

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

The CSB Subcommittees provide venues for

- Service system planning
- Implementation/coordination of local services
- Provider collaboration
- Information sharing
- Multi-stakeholder problem solving

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- Subcommittees are comprised of CSB members, LGU staff, service providers, service recipients, and family members.
- Subcommittees meet at least quarterly throughout the year.

Contract Agencies - Warren

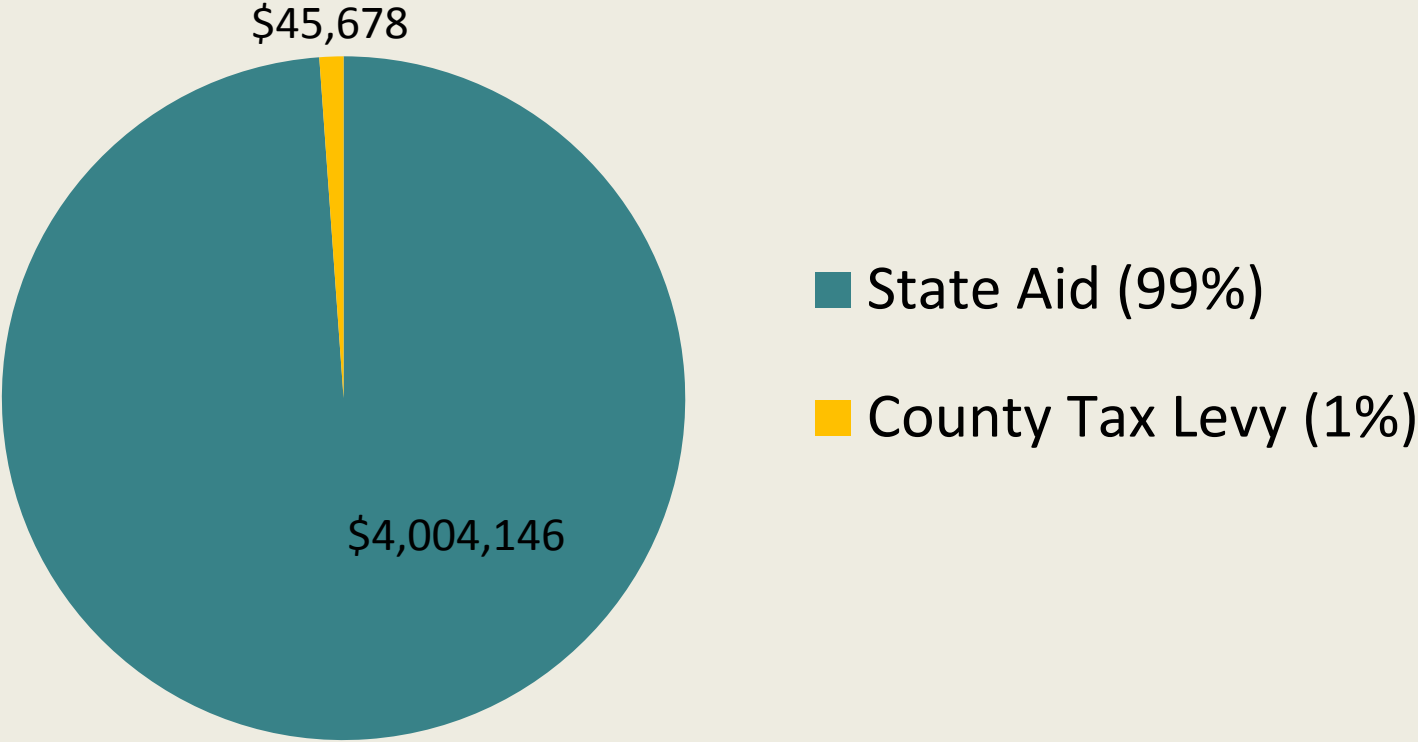
Agency	2018 Contract
Behavioral Health Services (Glens Falls Hospital)	\$639,205
Community, Work and Independence, Inc. (CWI)	\$52,993
Council for Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse	\$346,177
Liberty House Foundation, Inc.	\$267,198
Northern Rivers Family Services (Parsons)	\$1,401,958
Northeast Parent and Child	\$16,044
PEOPLE, Inc.	\$142,387
Wait House	\$33,352
Warren-Washington Association for Mental Health	\$928,984
TBD (SUD Residential Services)	<u>\$221,526</u>
Total	\$4,049,824

Contract Agencies - Washington

Agency	2018 Contract
Behavioral Health Services (Glens Falls Hospital)	\$620,287
Community, Work and Independence, Inc. (CWI)	\$35,958
Council for Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse	\$348,715
Liberty House Foundation, Inc.	\$130,223
PEOPLE, Inc.	\$143,823
Warren-Washington Association for Mental Health	\$905,786
TBD (SUD Residential Services)	<u>\$290,177</u>
Total	\$2,474,969

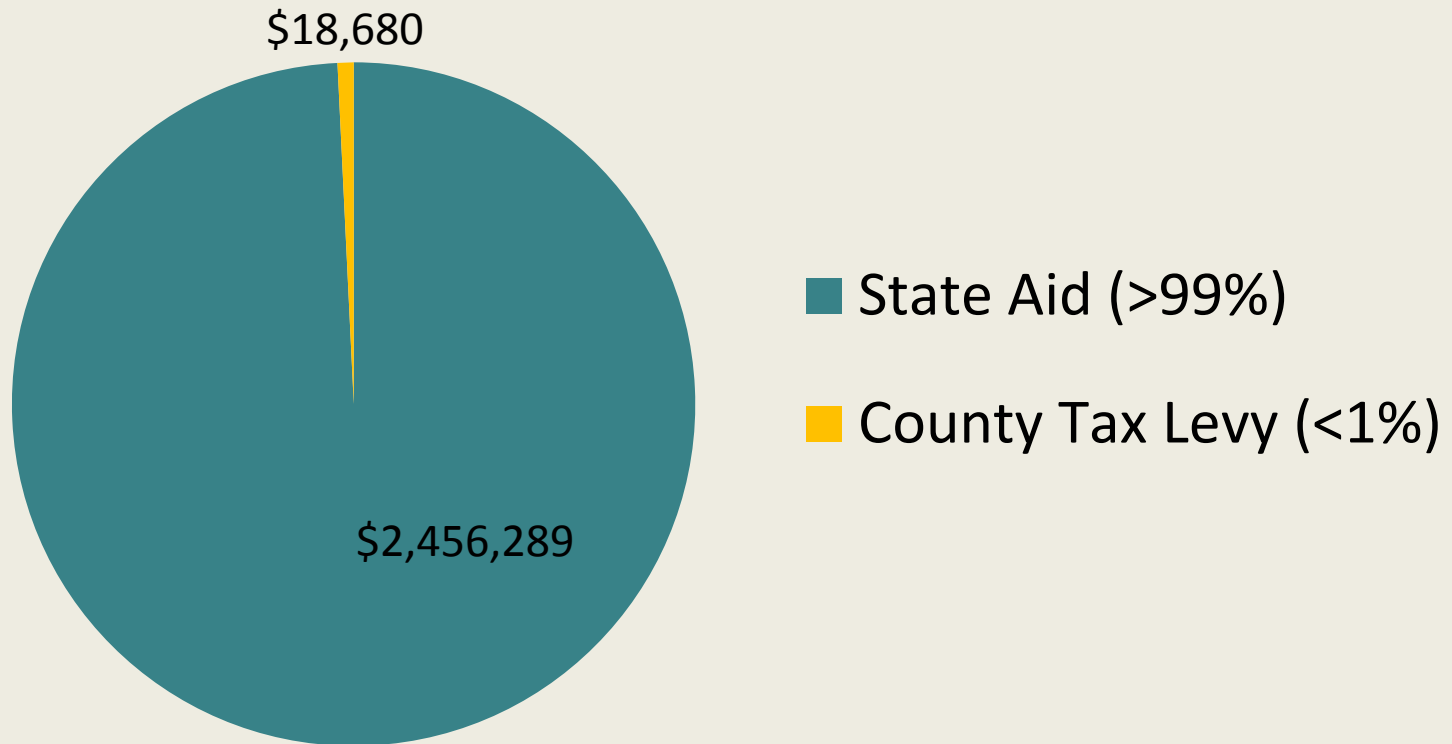
State Aid vs. County Tax Levy – Warren (2018)

Contract Funding (\$4,049,824)



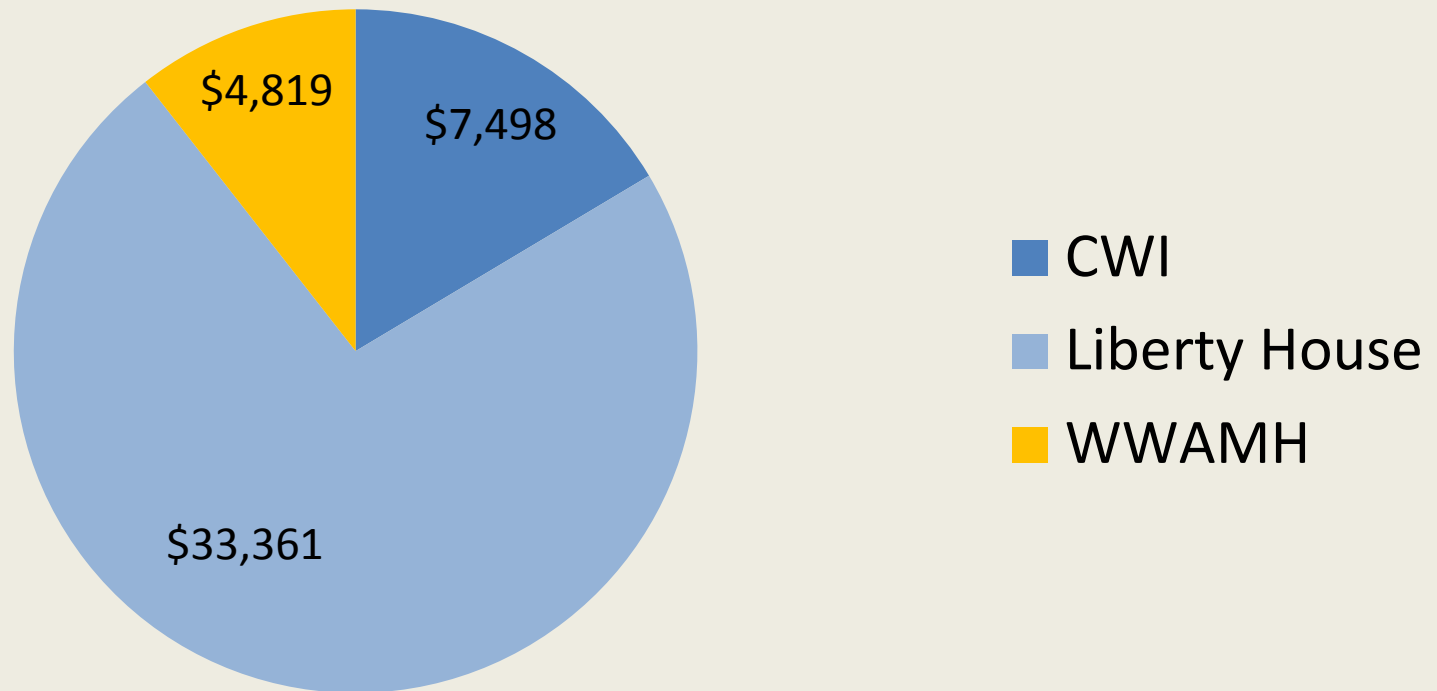
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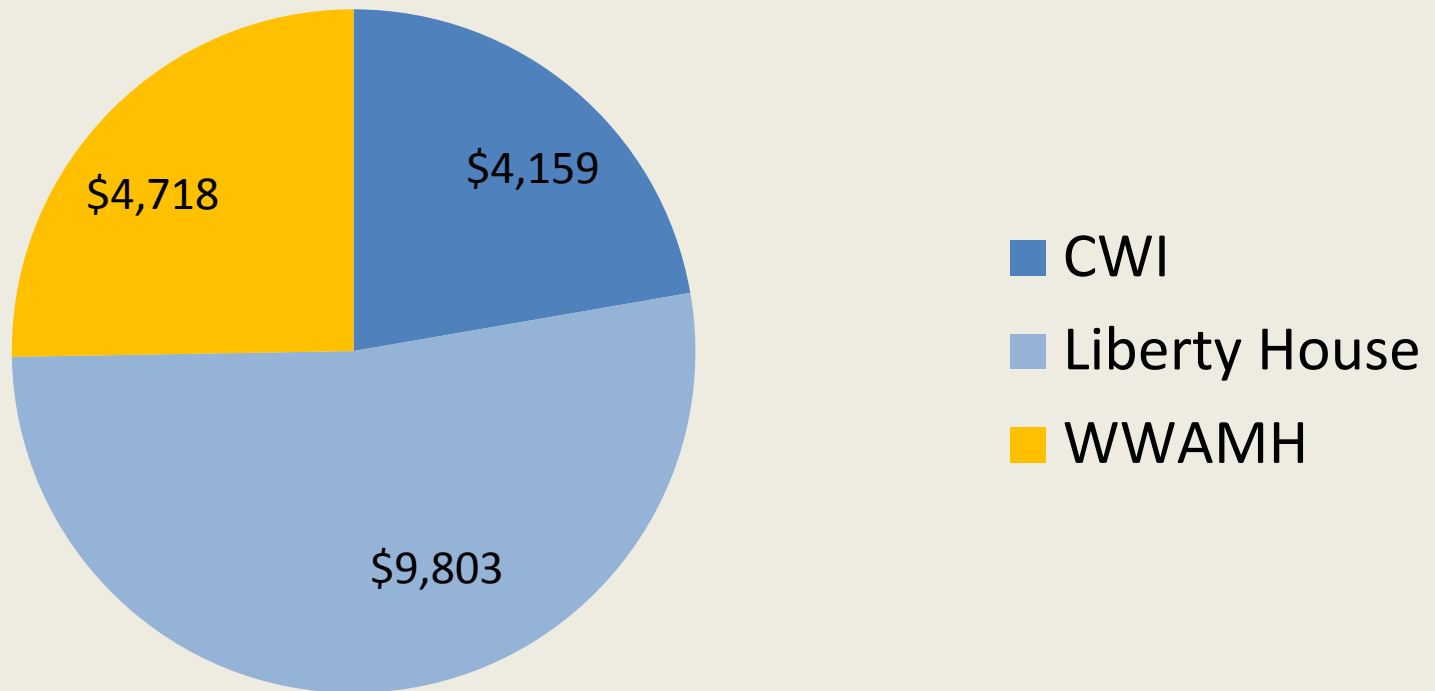
2018 County Funding by Agency - Warren

County Funding (\$45,678)



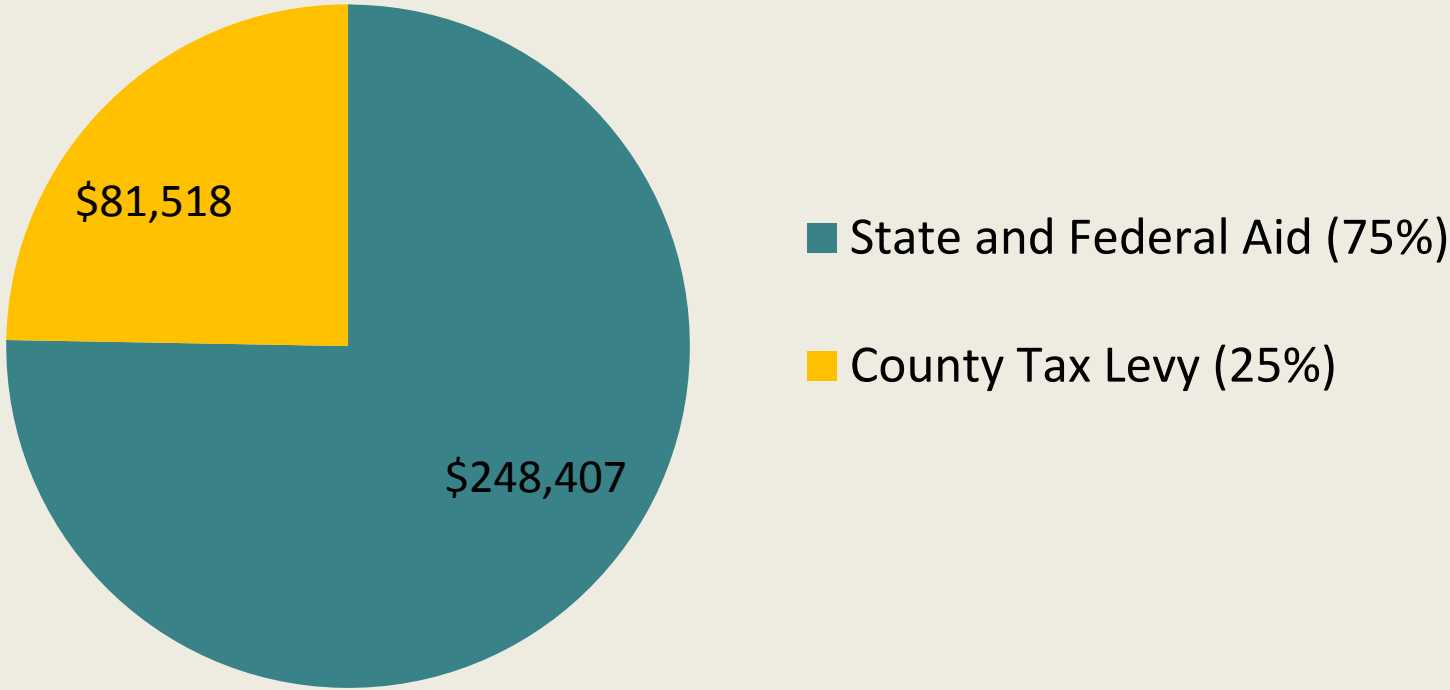
2018 County Funding by Agency - Washington

County Funding (\$18,680)



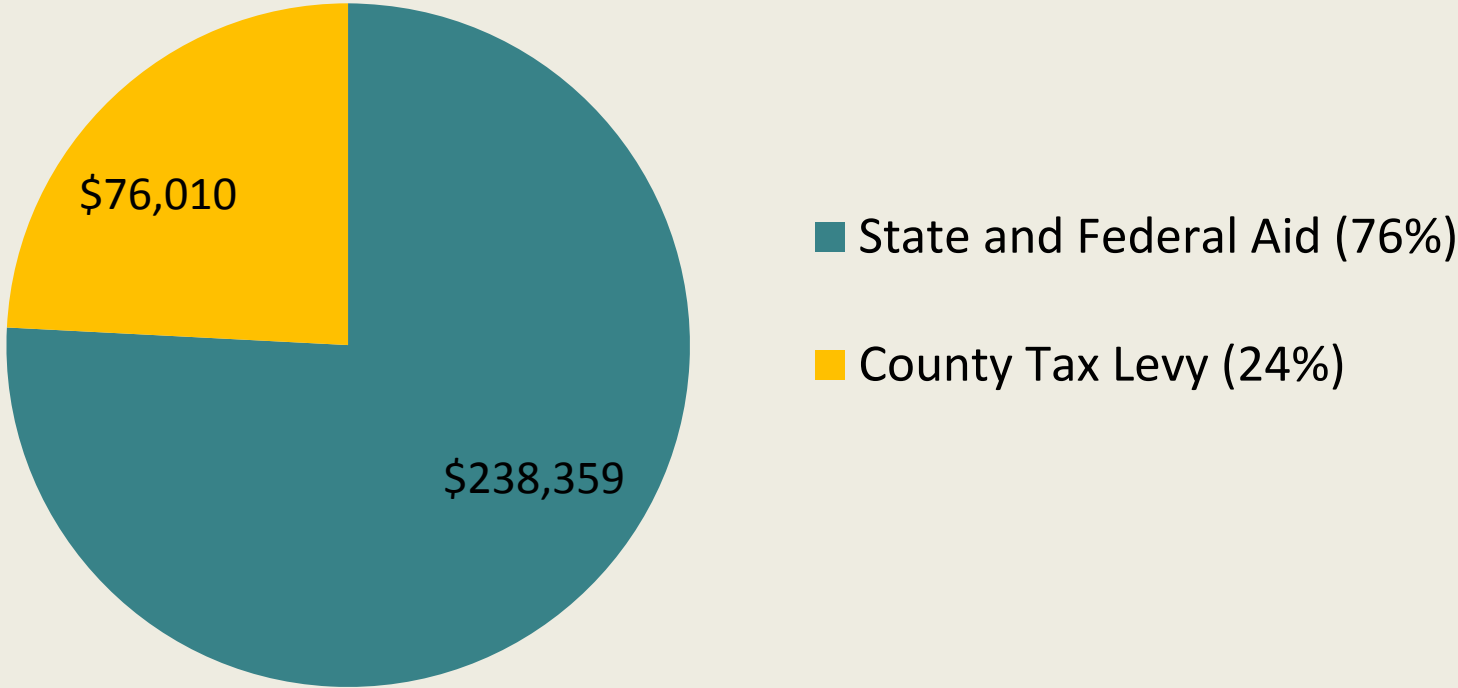
Warren Admin – State Aid vs. County Tax Levy (2018)

Admin Funding (\$329,925)

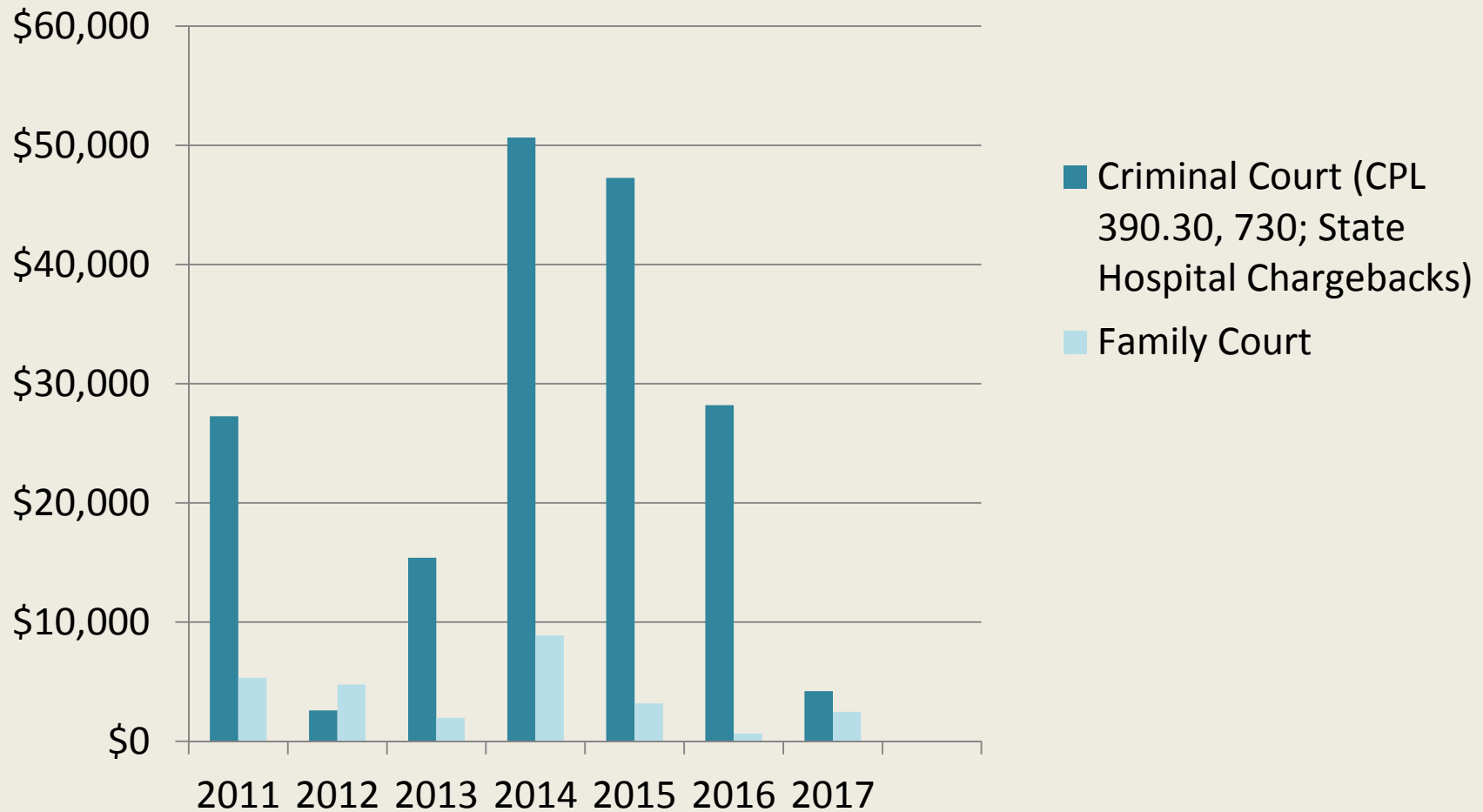


Washington Admin – State Aid vs. County Tax Levy (2018)

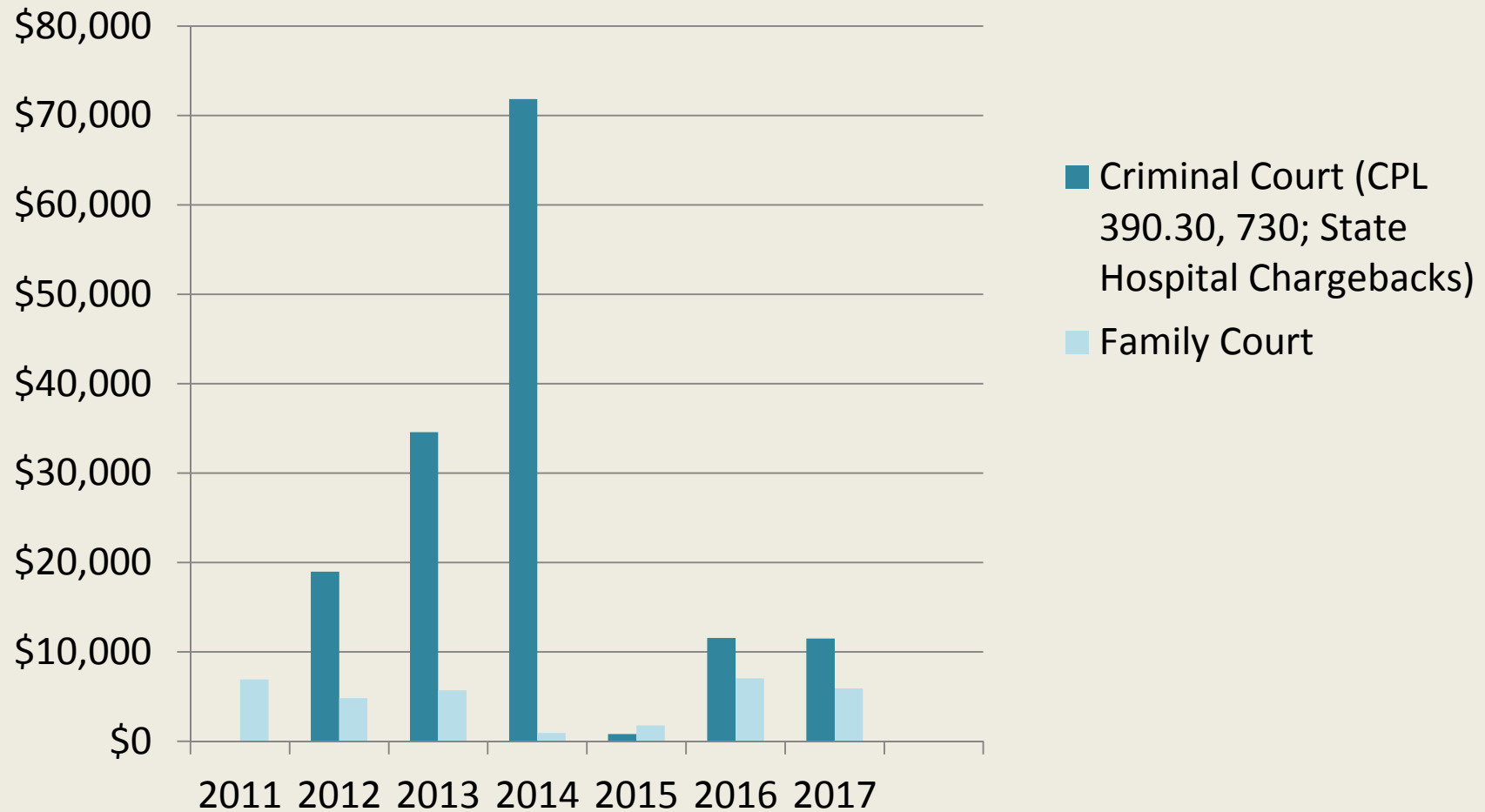
Admin Funding (\$314,369)



Forensic Evaluations – Warren



Forensic Evaluations – Washington



Contract Agencies

- Behavioral Health Services (Glens Falls Hospital) www.glensfallshospital.org/Behavioral.htm
- Community, Work and Independence www.cwinc.org
- Council for Prevention www.councilforprevention.org
- Liberty House Foundation www.libertyhousefoundation.net
- Northern Rivers Family Services/Parsons Child and Family Center www.northernrivers.org
- Northeast Parent and Child Society www.neparentchild.org
- PEOPLE, Inc. www.projectstoempower.org
- Wait House Homeless Youth Shelter www.hycwaithouse.org
- Warren-Washington Association for Mental Health www.wwamh.org

Some Additional Local Governmental Unit Responsibilities...

- Fiscal Management/Reporting
- Single Point of Access (SPOA) Process
- Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Program
- Certificate of Need/Expansion of Service Approvals
- Overall System Coordination
- Emergency Removals (MHL 9.45 “pick-up orders”)
- Coordinate County Disaster Mental Health Team
- SAFE Act Reporting
- Active involvement with various regional healthcare planning structures and initiatives to lower costs, improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the health and behavioral health care systems and to improve outcomes for the residents of our Counties

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