

ANNUAL REPORT

MADISON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

1959

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Gentlemen:

On the following pages I am presenting for your study a complete report of the activities of this department for the year 1959. It is my sincere desire that the information contained in this report will give a fairly clear picture of the cases handled throughout the year and the amount of monies expended.

If there are any questions which you wish answered, I shall be most happy to attempt to answer them for you.

Many factors enter into the cost of operation of a Department of Public Welfare, the most important of which is the unemployment situation existing in the Welfare District. Madison County was declared a critical area during the first six months of 1959; therefore, our Home Relief caseload reached an all-time high. This category, alone, is governed almost entirely by the unemployment situation.

Other factors which increased the cost of administration were an increase in hospital rates and a general increase of approximately 5% in the pre-added budgetary allowances. These pre-added allowances are prepared by the State and are based on the cost of living index, which continued to rise during the year.

Although the gross cost of operation increased from \$1,207,501.59 in 1958 to \$1,305,607.60 in 1959, the net amount to be raised by real property tax only increased from \$404,298.46 to \$419,887.60. This was brought about by an increase in revenues from \$803,203.13 to \$885,720.00 in 1959. A breakdown of these figures is contained in the statistical report.

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COMPARISON CASELOADS

1958

		OAA	AB	AD	CASES	ADC CHILDREN	CASES	HOME RELIEF INDIVIDUALS	MONTHLY TOTAL
Jan.	31	321	8	78	159	493	137	702	703
Feb.	28	319	8	78	162	501	162	901	729
Mar.	31	316	7	77	166	508	176	942	742
Apr.	30	319	7	74	166	501	153	817	719
May	31	312	7	74	175	523	123	747	691
June	30	308	7	73	174	539	110	617	672
July	31	306	8	73	165	501	105	570	657
Aug.	31	311	9	75	165	486	110	567	670
Sept.	30	305	9	71	166	483	123	636	674
Oct.	31	302	10	72	171	504	134	641	689
Nov.	30	306	10	70	176	520	146	687	708
Dec.	31	304	10	65	179	521	181	849	739

1959

		OAA	AB	AD	CASES	ADC CHILDREN	CASES	HOME RELIEF INDIVIDUALS	MONTHLY TOTAL
Jan.	31	297	10	66	175	510	199	991	747
Feb.	28	295	10	65	173	533	221	1152	764
Mar.	31	301	11	63	175	532	196	1159	746
Apr.	30	306	10	61	177	533	184	1067	738
May	31	297	10	64	166	487	137	737	674
June	30	299	10	68	164	478	118	709	659
July	31	296	11	69	154	462	114	642	644
Aug.	31	290	11	66	156	478	96	546	619
Sept.	30	285	12	69	162	502	106	519	634
Oct.	31	290	12	69	162	509	108	510	641
Nov.	30	293	13	68	157	476	121	670	652
Dec.	31	294	11	76	163	473	151	665	695

Note: The above figures do not include persons cared for at the County Home(outside the Infirmary). The average number provided care in the County Home was 18 per month.

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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
1959

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

As was anticipated the average monthly caseload in this category continued to decrease. The average monthly caseload in 1958 was 311, while in 1959 it dropped to an average of 295.

Cash grants decreased from \$212,302.36 in 1958 to \$172,219.93; Hospital care decreased from \$31,104.31 to \$30,704.88; Physicians' fees decreased from \$29,590.93 to \$26,605.20 and Prescriptions increased from \$11,796.96 to \$12,433.20.

One of the major reasons for the large decrease in cash grants is that in 1959 it became no longer necessary to give cash grants to patients in the Infirmary.

The net cost to the county for this category was \$49,047.09 in 1959, while in 1958 it was \$76,246.09.

Medical costs represented approximately 28% of the total cost of this program as compared to 24.7% in 1958. This does not include medical costs in the Infirmary.

AID TO THE BLIND

The average monthly caseload in this category increased from 8 in 1958 to 11 in 1959.

In 1959 cash grants increased from \$5,035.98 in 1958 to \$7,260.90; Hospital care totalled \$961.98 in 1959 while there were no hospital charges in 1958; Physicians' fees increased from \$521.30 to \$1,197.50 and prescriptions increased from \$409.29 in 1958 to \$551.82 in 1959.

Medical costs in 1959 represented approximately 25% of the total as compared to 15% in 1958.

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AID TO THE DISABLED

The average monthly caseload in this category decreased from 73 in 1958 to 67 in 1959.

Cash grants decreased from \$44,616.31 in 1958 to \$35,432.69 in 1959; cost of hospital care increased from \$6,023.67 to \$6,218.84; Physicians' fees increased from \$6,326.26 to \$6,990.18; while prescription costs decreased from \$3,938.65 to \$3,857.42. Total gross costs decreased from \$61,444.14 in 1958 to \$53,030.28 in 1959.

Medical costs in this program increased from 26.5% in 1958 to approximately 32% of the total cost in 1959.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

The number of recipients in this category decreased slightly during 1959. The average monthly caseload decreased from 169 to 165, while the average number of children decreased from 507 in 1958 to 498 in 1959.

In spite of the slight reduction in the caseload, costs continued to mount in this program. Cash grants increased from \$250,409.54 in 1958 to \$274,943.78 in 1959. This was due largely to substantial increases in rents, extra fuel requirements during the winter months and increases in the general budgetary allowances which went into effect in January of 1959 and which amounted to approximately 5% increases in the pre-added budget. Hospital costs increased from \$11,467.23 in 1958 to \$14,388.74 in 1959; Physicians' fees increased from \$20,573.96 to \$27,322.30 while the cost of prescriptions increased from \$4,883.25 to \$7,451.76. Total gross expenditures increased from \$289,260.14 in 1958 to \$326,382.62 in 1959.

Medical costs in this program increased from 12.7% in 1958 to approximately 15% in 1959.

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HOME RELIEF

Due to the serious unemployment situation during the first five months of 1959 when our caseload in this category reached an all-time high, there was a tremendous increase in cost of this program.

The average monthly caseload in this category was 138 in 1958 and represented an average of 723 persons, while the caseload in 1959 averaged 146 per month and represented approximately 781 persons cared for on a monthly average. In March of 1959 the number of persons cared for under this program reached the amazing total of 1159. Many of these families received Unemployment Insurance Benefits but, due to the size of the families, it became necessary for this department to supplement these benefits. The work relief law aided in reducing the caseload somewhat, but a much more desirable effect could have been realized if home relief recipients could have been put to work on town, city and village projects as well as county projects. I sincerely hope that this law will be amended by the 1960 legislature to provide for a greater work relief project.

Cash grants in 1958 totalled \$150,014.16 while in 1959 total cash grants reached the sum of \$184,018.20; Physicians' fees increased from \$16,241.69 in 1958 to \$22,065.71 in 1959, while the costs of prescriptions increased from \$4,619.94 to \$6,918.52.

Gross costs in this program in 1958 were \$175,762.57 while in 1959 they were \$216,101.53.

**NOTE: Physicians' fees on the preceding pages include fees paid to dentists, optometrists, podiatrists and any other licensed practitioner in the healing arts.

***** Also, in the statistical report "other expenses" refers to payments for transportation, taxes and any other item not included as a budgetary item.

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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
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HOSPITAL ONLY

This program refers to care given to persons in hospitals exclusive of those receiving public assistance in one of the Federal Categories of Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, Aid to the Disabled or Aid to Dependent Children.

This is a non-reimbursable program except in case of recipients of Home Relief who have been actively on the rolls for thirty days immediately prior to hospitalization and in which case the State re-imburses 50% of the cost and in State Charge cases, where we are re-imbursed a full 100% of the cost.

Total gross cost of this program in 1958 was \$49,816.80 as compared to \$91,250.02 in 1959.

BURIALS

Burial costs increased from \$11,052.50 in 1958 to a total of \$11,949.20 in 1959.

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CHILD WELFARE DIVISION
1959

CASELOAD

	Boarding Homes	Free Homes	Adoptive Homes	Work-Wage Self-support	Out of County Supervision	Total	
Jan. 1	84	2	11	5	6	38	146
Feb. 1	81	2	11	5	4	44	147
Mar. 1	84	1	12	6	4	42	149
Apr. 1	78	1	12	7	5	27	130
May 1	77	0	12	5	5	39	138
June 1	76	1	13	5	4	38	137
July 1	82	1	11	4	4	18	120
Aug. 1	78	0	9	3	4	22	116
Sept. 1	81	0	9	3	4	19	116
Oct. 1	76	0	8	3	6	12	105
Nov. 1	77	0	9	3	6	13	108
Dec. 1	74	0	11	3	6	15	109
Dec. 31	74	0	14	3	6	15	112

REFERRALS

	Family	Court	Private Citizens	Public Assistance	Out of County	School	Clinic	Other	Total
Jan.	1	2	7	0	2	5	0	0	17
Feb.	3	4	1	0	0	1	0	2	11
Mar.	7	1	3	5	6	4	1	1	28
Apr.	7	6	0	0	7	1	0	9	30
May	12	6	0	0	1	1	0	1	21
June	0	3	0	2	0	2	0	1	8
July	4	10	0	2	7	0	0	5	36
Aug.	6	7	7	3	7	0	0	11	41
Sept.	3	6	0	2	2	8	0	2	23
Oct.	5	7	1	6	6	3	0	4	32
Nov.	9	3	0	1	6	2	0	0	21
Dec.	8	2	1	2	3	1	0	4	21
	65	65	20	23	47	28	1	40	289

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CHILD WELFARE DIVISION

1959

The charts on the preceding page illustrate the work performed by this division during 1959.

The monthly caseload ranged from a low of 105 children to a high of 149 during the past year.

The total of 289 referrals was a decrease of 8 from the previous year, with the highest number of referrals being 65 each from the court and families.

The total gross expenditures decreased from \$69,164.31 in 1958 to \$66,001.86 in 1959; this, in spite of the fact that beginning January 1, 1959, the cost of care in foster homes was increased from \$45.00 to \$50.00 per month.

The above decrease was brought about largely through the determined efforts put forth by our staff in Child Welfare to supervise more children in their own homes rather than place them in foster homes. This program will be continued in the future with a view to rehabilitating children with their parents within their home surroundings. This is recognized as sound social work.

In spite of the absence of our Senior Caseworker during the past year on educational leave, we have been fortunate in maintaining a full staff in our Child Welfare Division.

Gross expenditures for the care of Juvenile Delinquents increased sharply this past year; total expenditures in 1958 being \$12,294.56 while they were \$17,539.85 in 1959.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Disbursements:

Personal Services	\$101,509.53
Equipment	5,502.45
Supplies & Materials	5,074.75
Other expenses (Travel, telephone, rent, postage, etc.)	<u>16,073.65</u>

\$128,160.38

Credits:

State Reimbursement	\$ 50,321.27
Federal Reimbursement	<u>32,542.81</u>

\$ 82,864.08

Net Local Administrative Expense

\$ 45,296.30

HOME RELIEF

Disbursements:

Cash Grants	\$184,018.20
Physicians' Services	22,065.71
Prescriptions	6,918.52
Other care	<u>3,099.10</u>

\$216,101.53

Credits:

State Reimbursement	\$142,815.94
Repayments & recoveries	<u>872.12</u>

\$143,688.06

Net Local Cost

\$ 72,413.47

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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Disbursements:

Cash grants	\$172,219.93
Hospital Care	30,704.88
Physicians' Fees	26,605.20
Prescriptions	12,433.20
Other	<u>8,083.83</u>

\$250,047.04

Credits:

Federal Reimbursement	\$127,775.25
State Reimbursement	56,155.58
Repayments & recoveries	<u>17,069.12</u>

\$200,999.95

Net Local Cost

\$ 49,047.09

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Disbursements:

Cash grants	\$274,943.78
Hospital care	14,388.74
Physicians' fees	27,322.30
Prescriptions	7,451.76
Other	<u>2,276.04</u>

\$326,382.62

Credits:

Federal Reimbursement	\$164,799.11
State Reimbursement	73,094.02
Repayments & recoveries	<u>11,951.58</u>

\$249,844.71

Net Local Cost

\$ 76,537.91

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AID TO THE DISABLED

Disbursements:

Cash grants	\$35,432.69
Hospital care	6,218.84
Physicians' fees	6,990.18
Prescriptions	3,857.42
Other	<u>531.15</u>

\$53,030.28

Credits:

Federal Reimbursement	\$28,561.37
State Reimbursement	11,531.13
Repayments & recoveries	<u>1,318.40</u>

\$41,410.90

Net Local Cost

\$11,619.38

AID TO THE BLIND

Disbursements:

Cash grants	\$7,260.90
Hospital care	961.98
Physicians' fees	1,197.50
Prescriptions	551.82
Other	<u>992.69</u>

\$10,964.89

Credits:

State Reimbursement	\$2,414.64
Federal Reimbursement	5,350.50
Repayments & Recoveries	<u>12.05</u>

\$ 7,777.19

Net Local Cost

\$ 3,187.70

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FOSTER CARE

Disbursements:

Board	\$50,286.39
Clothing	5,327.66
Supplies	590.07
Physicians' fees	2,540.12
Prescriptions	514.84
Optical care	195.42
Hospital care	4,192.23
Dental care	1,756.00
Miscellaneous	<u>599.13</u>

\$66,001.86

Credits:

State Reimbursement	\$26,400.61
Repayments & recoveries	<u>8,484.45</u>

\$34,885.06

Net Local Cost

\$31,116.80

JUVENILE DELINQUENTS

Disbursements:

Board	\$10,580.57
Clothing	424.80
Supplies	69.91
Physicians' fees	169.12
Optical care	23.50
Hospital care	429.11
Dental care	142.00
Miscellaneous	<u>17.54</u>

Local expenditures

\$11,856.55

To state for board & care in institutions

5,683.30

Total disbursements

\$17,539.85

Credits:

State Reimbursement	\$5,109.36
Repayments & recoveries	<u>967.70</u>

\$ 6,077.06

Net Local Expense

\$11,462.79

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HOSPITAL ONLY

Disbursements:

Hospital charges	\$72,826.64
Physicians' fees	18,028.63
Transportation, etc.	<u>394.75</u>

\$91,250.02

Credits:

From other Districts	\$ 1,616.62
Repayments & recoveries	762.19
Reimbursement, state charge cases	5,949.68
* " on HR-HO cases	<u>12,268.87</u>

\$20,597.36

Net Local Cost

\$70,652.66

*HR-HO Portion of 1959 HO expenditures
was \$25,602.17.

BURIALS

Disbursements:

Burial payments	<u>\$11,949.20</u>
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\$11,949.20

Credits:

State reimbursement	\$ 3,621.85
Repayments & recoveries	<u>5,143.14</u>

\$ 8,764.99

Net Cost to County

\$ 3,184.21

NON-PUBLIC-ASSISTANCE

Grants	\$27.55
Other	<u>46.71</u>

\$74.26

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GERRIT SMITH MEMORIAL HOME & INFIRMARY

1959

Another successful year was experienced in the operation of the Public Home and Infirmary. Although at the end of the year the statistical report shows forty-four beds in the Infirmary occupied, many times throughout the year we operated at full capacity.

Equipment purchased during the year consisted of the following:

- Auxiliary hot water heaters
- Fire hose
- Fire extinguishers
- Stretcher
- Condensing unit
- Silverware and dishes
- Hospital beds
- Bed rails
- Furniture for visitors

I am particularly happy that provision has been made in the 1960 budget for an elevator which will allow us to expand the Infirmary to include the second floor in 1961.

An architect will be employed in the very near future to prepare the necessary plans for expansion.

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GERRIT SMITH MEMORIAL HOME & INFIRMARY

1959

DISBURSMENTS

Salaries, wages and professional fees	\$65,078.11	
Telephone	624.05	
Fuel	5,577.08	
Light & power	2,790.24	
Drugs & medical supplies	7,092.67	
Food	17,738.02	
Milk Pasteurization	807.20	
Maintenance supplies	4,530.80	
Clothing, sheets, drygoods	1,406.60	
Miscellaneous supplies	1,801.61	
Laundry	2,018.80	
Other(Extermination service, fees, adv., express, petty cash, insurance)	1,110.05	
Ordinary repairs	680.71	
Equipment	<u>2,691.90</u>	
		\$113,950.92
Value of farm produce consumed at Home		<u>4,729.58</u>
		\$118,680.50

REVENUES

Public monies(Aid to the Disabled)	\$6,879.56	
Public monies(Old Age Assistance)	37,758.00	
Refunds from individuals for Board and Care	<u>17,254.15</u>	
		\$ 61,891.71
Operating cost		\$ 56,788.79
Less State Reimbursement on operating cost		<u>9,883.94</u>
Net operating cost to County		\$ 46,904.85
Total number of residents Jan. 1, 1959	71	
Total number of residents Dec. 31, 1959	65	651960
Total number of days' board and care	23,329	23,372-1860

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COUNTY FARM

1959

The county farm was again operated under the capable management of Clarence Edding, Farm Superintendent, assisted by a paid farm laborer.

Total operating costs decreased from the 1958 total of \$18,097.96 to \$15,425.17 in 1959. Including the value of produce consumed at the Public Home and Infirmary the net operating profit increased from \$845.31 in 1958 to \$1,609.82 in 1959.

It is unfortunate that, in the preparation of the Farm budget, it is impossible to credit the value of produce consumed at the Home and Infirmary against the total budget. This would eliminate the misunderstanding which seems to exist in the minds of many persons in regard to the total operating cost of the farm.

Last year the Farm Committee of the Board took an active part in making decisions and I am very appreciative of their assistance to me. One of the major decisions which has a decided effect on the value of produce consumed at the institution was the discontinuance of raising chickens. The committee determined that this was becoming too costly a procedure to continue.

The Farm Committee is now working on a study of the cost of operation of the county farm and it expected that recommendations will be made in the very near future.

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COUNTY FARM

1959

FARM INVENTORY:

23 Miloh Cows
 5 Heifers
 6 Yearlings
 9 Calves

PRODUCE FOR LIVESTOCK CONSUMPTION:

100 Tons Hay
 1150 Bushels Oats
 16 Tons Straw
 120 Tons Ensilage
 700 Bushels Picking Corn

PRODUCE FOR RESIDENT CONSUMPTION:MILK:

Jan.	4416 lb.	@ \$6.70 per cwt.	\$295.87
Feb.	4218 lb.	@ 6.70 per cwt.	282.60
Mar.	4191 lb.	@ 6.60 per cwt.	276.61
Apr.	3870 lb.	@ 6.20 per cwt.	239.94
May	3994 lb.	@ 5.90 per cwt.	235.65
June	3765 lb.	@ 5.90 per cwt.	222.14
July	3990 lb.	@ 6.40 per cwt.	255.36
Aug.	4911 lb.	@ 6.60 per cwt.	324.12
Sept.	3696 lb.	@ 6.90 per cwt.	255.02
Oct.	4101 lb.	@ 7.00 per cwt.	287.07
Nov.	3735 lb.	@ 7.10 per cwt.	265.19
Dec.	4005 lb.	@ 6.90 per cwt.	276.35

\$3215.92

EGGS:

Jan.	193-7/12 doz.	@ \$.41 per doz.	\$ 79.37
Feb.	156 doz.	@ .41 per doz.	63.96
Mar.	156 1/2 doz.	@ .40 per doz.	62.60
Apr.	12 1/2 doz.	@ .39 per doz.	4.88

\$ 210.81

(Hens were slaughtered in April)

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COUNTY FARM

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PRODUCE FOR RESIDENT CONSUMPTION (cont'd):

MEAT:

Jan.	100 lb. chickens @ .30¢ per lb.	\$ 30.00	
Feb.	270 lb. chickens @ .30¢ per lb.	81.00	
	1030 lb. steer beef @ .43¢ per lb.	442.90	
Apr.	785 lb. chickens @ .30¢ per lb.	235.50	
Aug.	706 lb. beef @ .35¢ per lb.	247.10	
Oct.	761 lb. beef @ .35¢ per lb.	<u>266.35</u>	
			\$1302.85

TOTAL VALUE OF PRODUCE USED FOR RESIDENT CONSUMPTION:

Milk	\$3215.92	
Eggs	210.81	
Beef	956.35	
Chickens	<u>346.50</u>	
		\$4,729.58

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COUNTY FARM

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FARM MACHINERY INVENTORY - 12/31/59:

- 1-1½ Ton International truck (1947)
- 1 Farmall M. Tractor (1952)
- 1 New Holland Hay Baler (repaired after 1951 fire)
- 1 Side Delivery Hay Rake
- 1 Hay and Grain Elevator (1953)
- 1 Potato Digger
- 1 Disc-Wick Disc
- 1 Wagon Box
- 3 Farm Wagons (1953, 1955, 1956)
- 1 Plow (hydraulic lift - 1953) Trailer plow
- 2 Snow plows (1 old - 1 new, 1957)
- 1 Cultivator (bought in 1959, used, Ford)
- 1 Corn planter (changed to hydraulic lift)
- 1 Grain drill
- 1 Culti-packer
- 1 Corn sheller
- 1 Ensilage cutter
- 1 Hay loader
- 1 Ford Tractor (1953 Model - Purchased in 1957)
- 1-1/2 Ton Ford Truck
- 1 Conde Milking Machine (4 Units)
- 1 Ford Lift-All Platform
- 1 Conde Pump 3/4 HP (1954)
- 1 Lime Sower (1955)
- 1 Milk House Heater (1955)
- 1 Grain Bin (1955 - Repaired 1959)
- 1 Ford Plow (1958 Used model)
- 1 Farmall Cultivator
- 1 New Holland P.T.O. Manure Spreader(1959)
- 1 Harrow (1958)
- 1 Steinhorst Side-Opener Milk Cooler (Used - 1958)
- 1 Ford Mowing Machine (1959 - Used Model)
- 1 John Deere Mowing Machine

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COUNTY FARM

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DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries, wages & professional fees	\$6395.53
Equipment	1143.58
Supplies and materials	6345.80
Other (repairs, registration, breeding)	<u>1540.26</u>

\$15,425.17

CREDITS:

Milk checks	\$11758.97
Calves	381.50
Miscellaneous	<u>164.94</u>

Value of milk & produced for resident consumption

\$12,305.41
4,729.58
\$17,034.99

Total credits: \$17,034.99
Total disbursements 15,425.17

Net operating profit to county \$1,609.82

1960
\$10,811.65

15,425.17
12,305.41
3,119.76
1959
Cash
Loss

13,814.95
11,475.18
2,339.77
1960
Cash
Loss

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DISBURSEMENTS

General Administration	\$128,160.38	
Old Age Assistance	250,047.04	
Aid to Dependent Children	326,382.62	
Aid to the Disabled	53,030.28	
Aid to the Blind	10,964.89	
Home Relief	216,101.53	
Foster Care	66,001.86	
Juvenile Delinquents	17,539.85	
Hospital Care	91,250.02	
Burials	11,949.20	
Non-Public Assistance	74.26	
Public Home & Infirmary	118,680.50	
County Farm	<u>15,425.17</u>	
		\$1,305,607.60

CREDITS

General Administration	\$ 82,864.08	
Old Age Assistance	200,999.95	
Aid to Dependent Children	249,844.71	
Aid to the Disabled	41,410.90	
Aid to the Blind	7,777.19	
Home Relief	143,688.06	
Foster Care	34,885.06	
Juvenile Delinquents	6,077.06	
Hospital Care	20,597.36	
Burials	8,764.99	
Public Home and Infirmary	71,775.65	
County Farm	<u>17,034.99</u>	
		<u>\$ 885,720.00</u>

Net local cost to county	\$ 419,887.60
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In concluding this report I wish to express the sincere appreciation of the members of the staff of this department for the increases in salary which the members of the Board of Supervisors provided for in the 1960 budget.

I, personally, am very grateful for the cooperation which I have had from each and every member of the Board, and, particularly, do I wish to thank the members of the Welfare, Building and Farm Committees who have worked so closely with this department the past year.

We also wish again to express our gratitude to Supreme Court Justice Howard Zeller, County and Children's Court Judge Clarence E. Conley, the Probation Department and the many other state, county, town, village and city officials who have aided us greatly during 1959.

And, again special thanks go to our County Attorney and District Attorney for resolving the many legal problems with which we are confronted.

We shall continue to conduct the affairs of this department to the best of our ability and according to the laws, rules and regulations of the State of New York.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William Liddle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "W" and a long, sweeping underline.

William Liddle
Commissioner