

# **2025 Annual Report**

## **LIVINGSTON COUNTY**

### **MENTAL HEALTH**

**BOARD (708)**

**AND**

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY**

**BOARD (377)**

**FOR THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF PERSONS  
WITH A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY**

**310 E. TORRANCE AVENUE  
PONTIAC IL, 61764**

**DECEMBER 1, 2024**  
**TO**  
**NOVEMBER 30, 2025**



## **From the Executive Director**

Dear Residents of Livingston County,

The Livingston County Mental Health Board (LCMHB) has continued to provide support and high-quality services to our residents. In 2025, we continued to build on that commitment. Together, thousands of residents received services for mental health, substance use, and intellectual and developmental disabilities. These services were supported through the 708 and 377 tax funds, allowing us to meet the needs of individuals and families throughout Livingston County.

The LCMHB and the Livingston County agencies receiving 708 and 377 funding celebrated a number of successes in 2025. IHR continued its support group for individuals with a loved one experiencing substance use and/or mental health challenges. This was made possible through Livingston County's Opioid Settlement Funds. Now in its second year, the program has proven to be a valuable and appreciated resource in our community.

Futures Unlimited has also responded to the growing demand for mental health services and transportation through the continued expansion of its Behavioral Health Center and Futures Connections programs, further strengthening access to care throughout the county.

None of the Mental Health Board's 2025 accomplishments would have been possible without the dedication and support of our board members, participating agencies, the Livingston County Board, our residents, and the Mental Health Board staff.

If you have any questions, or are interested in how you can get involved, please contact us at the Livingston County Mental Health Board at 815-844-7708.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Taylor Hartman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Taylor Hartman, MSW

Executive Director

Livingston County Mental Health Board

# Adaptive & Inclusive Recreation (A.I.R.)

900 N. Elm St., Pontiac IL. 815-844-6818

Throughout the year, athletes participated in Special Olympics competitions in basketball, athletics (track and field), and bowling, achieving strong results at both regional and state levels. A.I.R. also hosted its first annual A.I.R. Basketball Tournament, welcoming twelve teams and strengthening our presence within the community. In addition to competitive play, our athletes took part in the annual Knights of Columbus vs. A.I.R. fundraising game at Saint Mary's, an event that continues to build community support and awareness. In Basketball Regionals, twenty-five athletes earned sixteen gold medals and nine bronze medals. At the State competition, fifteen athletes competed and secured nine gold-medal finishes and six fourth-place placements.

Athlete, participation remained strong. During the Spring Games Regionals, twenty-six athletes earned twenty-four gold, seventeen silver, six bronze, and five fourth-place ribbons. At the Summer Games, sixteen athletes competed to earn six gold, one silver, seven bronze, two fourth-place, two fifth-place, and one seventh-place finishes.

Bowling continued to be one of the program's most active sports. At Bowling Regionals, forty athletes earned placements ranging from gold medals through eighth place, including fifteen gold-medal results. In Bowling Sectionals, fifteen athletes secured eight gold, four silver, and three bronze finishes. Unified bowling also saw strong engagement, with fourteen athletes and fourteen unified partners earning ten gold, six silver, and twelve bronze medals. Twelve athletes and five unified partners went to state bowling finals, earning four gold, seven silver, three bronze, two fifth-place, and one seventh-place results.

Beyond athletic accomplishments, A.I.R. experienced continued growth in overall engagement. The addition of an activity aid significantly strengthened weekly programming by introducing new ideas and providing consistent structure. Monthly craft nights and drawing lessons remained well-attended and offered creative and social opportunities for participants. A.I.R. also hosted an "Under the Sea" themed dance with outstanding turnout, and swim nights, when offered, continue to be one of the most popular participant activities. In addition, athletes attended Special Olympics Night at the Bloomington Bison hockey game and the Guns N' Hoses hockey fundraiser, further enriching their community involvement. Support from Pontiac Township High School, which provided a pass granting access to local sporting events, also enhance opportunities for inclusion throughout the year.



Month	# of Activities	Average # of Participants
December 2024	23	17
January 2025	16	16
February 2025	20	15
March 2025	23	18
April 2025	23	18
May 2025	17	16
June 2025	20	16
July 2025	25	17
August 2025	19	18
September 2025	8	14
October 2025	12	16



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# SAFE JOURNEYS

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formerly, ADV & SAS

510 N. Bloomington St., Streator IL. 815-672-2353/Crisis 815-673-1555

**Safe Journeys is a not-for-profit agency providing free, confidential supportive services to survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Livingston and LaSalle Counties. In addition, in FY23, with funding from other sources we began offering psychoeducational services to persons who use violence for power and control in their intimate relationships.**

**Survivor Services** provided to Livingston County residents include a 24-hour support line; safe housing; legal and medical advocacy; supportive counseling; information & referral; case management; and education in schools, for professionals, and for the community in general. They recently hired a therapist to provide more support for survivors who are experiencing mental health challenges. Therapeutic services will start in early 2026. They also anticipate legal services starting in mid-2026. All of these services are free of charge and are provided regardless of the survivor's age or gender.

**Total Number of People Served:** Funding from the Livingston County Mental Health (708) Board allowed them to serve 84 unduplicated domestic violence survivors and 31 unduplicated sexual violence survivors in Livingston County from December 2024 through November 2025. This compares to a total of 102 survivors served in, 86 survivors from December 2022–November 2023. There were previously 42 survivors served from December 2021–November 2022. In addition to these clients, staff provided prevention education in schools in Cullom, Flanagan, Forrest, Odell (Grade School and St. Paul), Pontiac, and Streator (Woodland Grade School). Staff also served on numerous committees, and had an awareness table at many events.

**Towns Served by Safe Journeys:** Blackstone, Chatsworth, Cornell, Cullom, Dwight, Fairbury, Flanagan, Forrest, Odell, Pontiac, Saunemin and Streator.

**Percent/Funding:** For FY 2025 (July 2024 – June 2025), the Livingston County Mental Health (708) Board made up 1.56% of their agency funding. This is critical to helping the agency meet community needs.

**This mission of Safe Journeys is to provide a safe and supportive environment for survivors of domestic and sexual violence and work to end such violence in our communities.**

# Mosaic

110 Water St., Pontiac IL 815-842-4166

*Embracing God's call, Mosaic relentlessly pursues opportunities that empower people.*

Mosaic is a faith based organization that has been providing supports to people with intellectual disabilities since 1913. Mosaic of Pontiac has provided residential supports to adults with intellectual disabilities in a variety of settings since 1982. Mosaic is committed to providing individualized supports based on the goals and dreams the person and their families have for them. They help people define their own happiness. They support and empower people in the pursuit of their goals. They help people create meaningful lives in caring communities and give voice to issues that affect people's lives.

Mosaic serves 47 individuals. Forty six are served in 24 hour CILA (Community Integrated Living Arrangements) homes across Pontiac and Dwight and one person is served in our Mosaic at Home program.

This year was a great year for the people we support. Out of the \$20,000 they received from 377 Board Funding, \$4,000 was spent to send 14 people to summer camp. The rest of the funding was used to assist people with dental and medical expenses that were not covered by their Medicaid insurance, accessible outdoor seating, a Holiday Show at The Barn in Goodfield IL, and our One Mosaic Day celebration which provided equipment and prizes for our carnival-themed celebration.



# IHR Counseling Services

## Institute for Human Resources

The mission of the IHR Counseling Services is to provide a continuum of quality mental health and substance use services ranging from education and prevention through treatment and aftercare for residents of Livingston County.



## Mental Health & Crisis

We provide individual therapy for adults and children of all ages.

- **Family & Marital counseling**
- **Mental Health Groups**
- **Facilitation of psychiatric hospitalizations**
- **Emergency crisis intervention: 24/hrs per day, 365 days per year**

Our mental health department received 868 individual referrals last year and served 2,504 clients in 2025. Our crisis team had 405 contacts, 321 face to face assessments, 62 phone assessments, and 45 hospitalizations in 2025.

## Substance Use

- Early Intervention, Outpatient Treatment, & Intensive Outpatient Treatment for Adults & Adolescents
- Medication Assisted Recovery
- Livingston County provider of Naloxone (Narcan)
- Livingston County Drug Court Treatment Provider
- Gambling Screening
- Trauma-Informed Care
- DUI Evaluations
  - DUI Risk Education**
  - DUI Updates/Continuing Care Status Reports**
  - Victim Impact Panel**

Our substance use department completed 443 assessments in 2025. Thirty-three DUI evaluations were completed last year.

## Psychiatric Medication Monitoring

IHR provides medication management services to both adults and children who are experiencing symptoms related to mental health or substance use concerns.

**Providers: Dr William Puga, Briana Flori, APN, and Sinata Jinadu, APN**

Our psychiatric department completed 127 individual psychiatric evaluations last year. Seventy-five clients were stabilized and referred back to their primary care physicians.

# Livingston County Operation Snowball

920 W. Custer Ave., Pontiac IL 61764 / 815-844-6109

- ◆ Operation Snowball is an adult/youth partnership focused on spreading an anti-drug, anti-alcohol message along with other positive choices. The concept is that one person does something nice, inspiring someone else to do something nice, and the positivity “Snowballs” to something much greater than how it started.
- ◆ We had two high school students and two adult mentors attend Cebrin Goodman Teen Institute (CGTI) Mid-Year Conference in Normal, Illinois on January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. This was a chance for our team to reflect on the progress made and changes necessary to the plan that was created at the 2024 summer conference (which is the start of our fiscal year).
- ◆ Snowflake 2025 for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students was hosted by Dwight Common School on April 19, 2025 from 10am-4pm. We had nine students in attendance (likely due to it being a holiday/long weekend). Our theme was “Change Happens from the Inside Out.” Assisting us were mental health therapists from IHR who ran an emotional regulation role-play and healthy coping strategies. Long-time supporter of Snowball, Dwight Police Detective Gary Beier, spoke to students about consequences of substance use/affiliation with people who use substances and emergency response preparedness. And students completed activities that mimicked the effects of vaping on the heart valves. There were three students who expressed interest in becoming future staff.
- ◆ Every summer, CGTI hosts a week-long conference at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, IL where they bring impactful speakers from around the country to inspire, grow, and advocate for the youth in our state. We had two students and one mentor attend. Our two students were PALS (Participants with Advanced Leadership Skills), leading groups and chants, setting the tone for new participants. This year, our second mentor joined for a day of new activities – a Hall of Ideas used to inspire other teams based on our previous activities and a showcase where youth-based agencies and speakers could connect with students from other Snowball teams.
- ◆ Due to consistent decline in middle school event attendance, we replaced Snowflurry 2025 (4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade event) with Snowball 2025 allowing both the elementary and middle school students to attend the same event. At the event, we served 45 elementary students and 39 middle school students including one 8<sup>th</sup> grader who came to planning meetings and assisted with groups (from last year’s Snowflake). This year’s theme was centered around lessons learned from Saturday morning cartoons. We partnered with Livingston Area Career Center’s culinary class to provide lunch and law enforcement class instructor, Jack Bristow, to deliver a message on the importance of positive focus and supportive friendships. Students participated in a fatal vision goggle activity (demonstrating the dangers of being under the influence of alcohol), a volleyball game that showed the effects of vaping on the lungs, a Kahoot with prevention and Snowball questions, and a talent show.





210 E. Torrance Ave., Pontiac IL.. 815-842-1122

## **OVERVIEW**

- 190 Individuals with disabilities received services at Futures Unlimited
- 377 and 708 funded programs provided services to 135 unduplicated persons, with some involved in more than one program
- 12 different programs and services offered at FUI
- 4.8-million-dollar annual budget; 10.1% of FY25 budget from 377-708 Boards
- Persons served have disability or functional limitation including developmental disabilities, mental illness, physical disabilities, Autism, or addictions
- Paid work training is offered through contracts with area businesses

## **SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT**

Services provide job coaching and follow-up to help individuals work successfully at community jobs.

- 12 persons worked in the community with Job Coach supports funded by the 377 and 708 Board
- Individuals worked at 8 different businesses; all individuals were hired directly
- 7 additional individuals worked in-house at FUI and received job coaching supports
- 240.75 hours of individualized job coaching (708 funded 48.5 and 377 funded 192.25) and 200.5 hours of transportation supports provided; 310.5 hours of in-house supported employment

## **EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

Provides individualized training including classes, paid work training, PAES lab, service facilitation, and supports to assist person to obtain community jobs.

- 53 persons served with funds from 377 and 708 Boards
- 9066 hours of individualized service (708 funded 6329.25 hours and 377 funded 2736.75 hours of service)
- 21 persons obtained community jobs (two of them obtained more than one job)
- 38% of persons served are under age 30
- 23% of persons served have a felony or misdemeanor conviction
- 49% of persons served have a mental illness

# COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Provides assistance for individuals to learn and reinforce skills so they can live successfully in their own home or apartment.

- 11 persons served
- 508.5 hours of individualized service and 29.5 hours of transportation services
- Our population served continues to age, with that they're experiencing more health concerns and need support with navigating systems/responsibilities (and navigating to appointments, often out of town).

# COMMUNITY DAY SERVICES

Includes classes, volunteer activities, work training, socialization, and community activities for clients with an intellectual disability diagnosis. The 377 Board funded for service overages, when clients have attended more hours than the IL Department of Human Services allowed for monthly billing. This fills in funding gaps for daily attendance for some folks as well as gaps for out-of-town community integration and self-advocacy trips.

- 61 clients served (80% of CDS clients)
- 1,275.5 hours of services funded

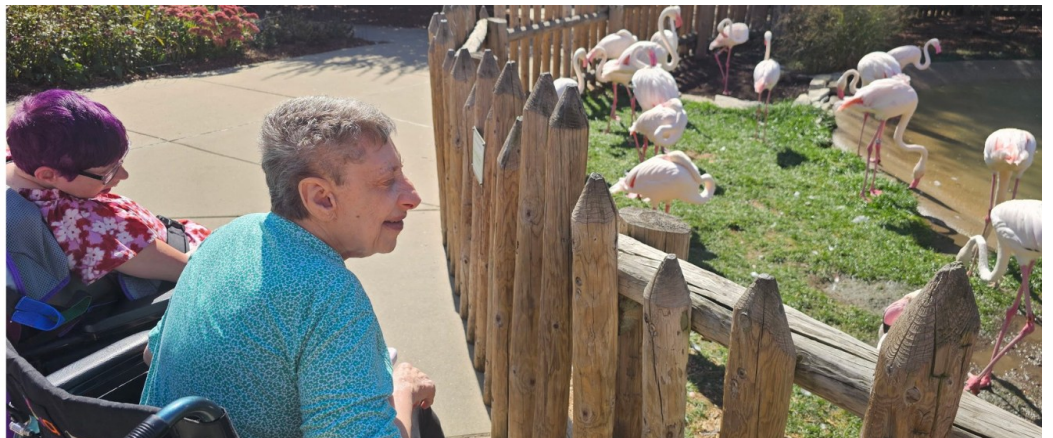
# Behavioral Health Clinic

Services are for anyone in Livingston County who could use support—from individual counseling to complex family situations.

- Staffed by a Program Director, 4 (1 PT) Mental Health Professionals (MHP's), and 3 (PT) Rehabilitative Services Associates (RSA)
- 82 persons received services (17 not served by other Programs), up from 15 individuals at the end of FY24. 25 individuals with denied billing were funded in addition to continuing startup and technical needs.

## Residences of Persons Funded by 377 and 708 Boards

Chatsworth	2
Cornell	4
Cullom	2
Dwight	26
Fairbury	10
Flanagan	3
Forrest	3
Odell	5
Pontiac	124
Saunemin	3
Other	8



# 2025 Infant Toddler Enrichment Program

The Infant Toddler Enrichment Program is operated by OSF Saint James John W. Albrecht Medical Center 2500 W. Reynolds St., Pontiac Il.  
815-844-3892

The program provides children in Livingston County from birth through three years of age the following services: Identification of children at risk of developmental delays, identification and referral of children with developmental delays, developmental education, developmental stimulation and environmental enrichment. The 377 Board funds those infants and toddlers that do not meet the standards of delay, but there is enough concern for the development of the child.

Children Screened	17
Referrals Made Due to Screenings	12
Case Management referral for further evaluation	29
At Risk Onsite Eligibility Assessment	2
At Risk Individual Enrichment Onsite	9
At Risk Offsite Eligibility Assessment	1
Children Served in Transition group	21



# Help is two numbers away



**211**

**NON-EMERGENCIES**

Food  
Housing  
Utility Assistance  
Healthcare Services  
Transportation  
Legal Services  
Counseling

**988**

**SUICIDE AND CRISIS**

Thoughts of Suicide  
Mental Health Crisis  
Substance Use Crisis  
Emotional Distress  
Veterans Crisis



**Scan the QR Code to get access to their Virtual Resource Guide that can help you find a variety of recovery-oriented services, supports, trainings, and wellness opportunities, from support groups to food pantries.**



**Livingston County Mental Health 708 Board**  
**Income & Expense Summary**  
**Fiscal Year 2025**  
**(unaudited)**

Beginning cash balance - December 1, 2024	<b>\$ 1,454,190</b>
<b>Income:</b>	
Liv. Co. tax funds	889,065
Liv. Co. Youth Commission admin/fees	77,679
RFP - Medicaid	-
Interest income	22,575
Rental income	3,600
Misc. income/donations	393
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>993,312</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
<b><u>Purchase of Service</u></b>	
Futures Unlimited, Inc.	204,014
Institute for Human Resources	585,195
Institute for Human Resources - Stress Management	6,600
Smoking Cessation Collaboration	1,620
Safe Journeys	38,529
Operation snowball	6,645
Service development	4,850
<b>Total Purchase of Service</b>	<b>847,453</b>
<b><u>Board Expenses</u></b>	
Staff salary & benefits	159,881
Meetings, Trainings, & Travel	272
Mileage	283
Professional dues/expenses	2,364
Contractual services	3,036
Equipment	-
Lease/rent	3,445
Commodities/supplies	1,567
Operating Expense	963
Telephone	177
MISC/Building Expense	238
<b>Total Board Expenses</b>	<b>172,224</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,019,677</b>
Cash balance - First Financial Bank	
First Checking Fund	407,229
First Money Fund	479,918
Certificate of Deposit	559,857
Payroll Clearing Fund	3
<b>Ending cash balance - November 30, 2025</b>	<b>\$ 1,447,006</b>

**Livingston County Mental Health 377 Board**  
**Income & Expense Summary**  
**Fiscal Year 2025**  
**(unaudited)**

Beginning cash balance - December 1, 2024	<b>\$595,747</b>
<b>Income:</b>	
Liv. Co. Tax Funds	434,516
Interest Income	9,082
377 Board Misc	<u>783</u>
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>444,381</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
<b><u>Purchase of Service</u></b>	
Futures Unlimited, Inc.	286,212
O.S.F. - St. James	16,149
Mosaic	22,015
Adapted and Inclusive Recreation	19,489
Service Development	<u>4,273</u>
<b>Total Purchase of Service</b>	<b>348,138</b>
<b><u>Board Expenses</u></b>	
Staff Salary & Benefits	81,057
Meetings, Trainings, & Travel	338
Mileage	210
Professional Dues/Expenses	1,184
Contractual Services	2,805
Equipment	-
Lease/Rent	3,055
Commodities/Supplies	1,345
Operating Expense	825
Telephone	157
MISC/Building Expense	238
<b>Total Board Expenses</b>	<b>91,215</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$439,353</b>
Cash balance - First Financial Bank	
First Checking Fund	<b>132,981</b>
First Money Fund	<b>223,787</b>
Certificate of Deposit	<b>223,943</b>
Ending cash balance - November 30, 2025	<u><b>\$580,711</b></u>

# Livingston County Premise Alert Program



## Registration Agreement

The Premise Alert Program (PAP) exists to assist emergency responders with information critical in helping provide the appropriate response and services. It is completely voluntary. Please identify the appropriate choice:

- Alzheimer's/Dementia
- Autism
- Down's Syndrome
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Vision Impaired
- Physical Disability
- Developmental Disability
- Communication Disorder
- Substance Use Disorder
- Other Disorder \_\_\_\_\_

- Mental Illness
- Mood Disorder
  - Psychotic Disorder
  - Impulse Disorder
  - Anxiety Disorder
  - Childhood Disorder
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_

Other Information you feel responders should know: \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>Date of Registration:</b> _____
<b>Registrant Name:</b> _____ (Last) _____ (First) _____ (MI)
<b>Date of Birth:</b> _____
<b>Address:</b> _____

**(Signature)**

If you are the parent or court appointed legal guardian of the person being registered, please complete the following.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed (Full Legal Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

- I am the
- Parent of the registrant
  - Legal guardian of the registrant

\* By registering into the Premise Alert Program, I also agree to The terms/conditions (below):

**Send Completed registration forms to:**  
**Drop Off: at your local Police Dept.**  
**Mail to: VCOM, 844 W. Lincoln Ste. B, Pontiac, IL 61764 or**  
**Email to: [911@vcom911.com](mailto:911@vcom911.com)**  
**or**  
**FAX to 815-844-7399**

### Livingston County Premise Alert Program Terms and Conditions

By registering for this program, I agree to the following terms/conditions.

1. I understand the Livingston County Premise Alert Program is authorized by 430 ILCS 132/1 et seq. and all participants are entitled to the full protections under the statute.
2. I authorize the application information to be entered in the Livingston County Law Enforcement Premise Alert databases.
3. I understand that providing this information is voluntary on my part.
4. I understand the, Chatsworth, Dwight, Fairbury, Pontiac, and Streator City Police Agencies, and the Livingston County Sheriff, and VCOM 911 intend to use the information to assist their employees and officers in responding to police calls for service.
5. I understand providing this information does not obligate the Chatsworth, Dwight, Fairbury, Pontiac, Streator City Police Agencies, the Livingston County Sheriff or VCOM 911, its agents, employees and officers in any manner.
6. I hereby release and waive any claim that I may have or that may arise against the Chatsworth, Dwight, Fairbury Pontiac, Streator City Police Agencies or the Livingston County Sheriff, VCOM 911, their officers, employees or agents as a result of the use or further transmission of this information, or the failure to provide this information, or the failure to act in accordance with this information. I further agree to hold the City of Chatsworth, Dwight, Fairbury, Pontiac, Streator City Police, Livingston County Sheriff, and VCOM 911, their officers, employees or agents harmless from any damages caused as a result of the use or failure to use this information.
7. I understand that I may have this information removed from the database any time by submitting a request in writing.

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Livingston County Mental Health Board is to assure that a comprehensive and coordinated community based system of effective and efficient mental health, developmental disability and substance use services is available and accessible to all the residents of Livingston County in need of such services.

### **Livingston County Mental Health Board** **708 Board Members**

Jack Vietti - President

Edward Legner – Vice President

Pam Stone – Secretary

Debbie Studnicki – Treasurer

Gary Beier

Clark Reamer

Barb Schlatter

### **Livingston County Board for the Care and Treatment** **of Persons with a Developmental Disability**

#### **377 Board Members**

Robert McCarty – President

Vicki Day – Vice-President

Chris Johnson – Secretary

#### **708/377 Board Staff**

Phone: (Office) 815-844-7708

Taylor Hartman - Executive Director

Beth Baillie - Family Support Specialist

Meg Gillette - 708/377/LCCCY Financial Officer

Tanya Melvin - 708/377/LCCCY Administrative Assistant

A black and white line drawing of a hand holding a banner that says "MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS". The hand is rendered with detailed hatching and shading, particularly on the fingers and palm. The banner is a simple rectangular strip with a scalloped edge, containing the text in a bold, sans-serif font. The background is filled with intricate, abstract patterns, including wavy lines, circles, and various geometric shapes, creating a complex and visually busy environment. The overall style is reminiscent of a coloring page or a graphic design template.

MENTAL  
HEALTH  
MATTERS