



2021 Annual Report

Hancock
Public Health



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TEN ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES



- Monitor health status to identify and solve community health problems.
- Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community.
- Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues.
- Mobilize community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems.
- Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.
- Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.
- Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.
- Assure competent public health workforce.
- Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility and quality of personal and population-based health services.
- Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

OUR BOARD OF HEALTH

President Barbara Pasztor, RN, MHSA
Term Expires 2026

Michael Lindamood, MD, MPH
Term Expires 2026

Karen Jones, MSN, RN
Term Expires 2025

William Alge, ESQ
Term Expires 2025

Medical Director Nathaniel Ratnasamy, MD

Nancy Moody Russo, JD, BSN, RN
Term Expires 2024

Brian Edler
Term Expires 2022

Robin Spoor
Term Expires 2028



L to R: Karen Jones, Barbara Pasztor, William Alge, Dr. Lindamood, Nancy Moody Russo, Brian Edler, Robin Spoor, Dr. Ratnasamy



The Hancock County Board of Health is an independent governing body operating under Ohio Revised Code 3709 and Ohio Administrative Code 3701. Our Board of Health members are appointed by the 29 members of the Hancock County District Advisory Council. The Board of Health, in turn, appoints the Health Commissioner.

The Hancock County Board of Health's purpose is to define the organization's target populations to be served; evaluate the accomplishments of the programs planned and implemented; appoint the Executive officer (Health Commissioner); take a lead in the development of financial resources; and represent the public's interest in health matters.

The Board of Health meets the 3rd Friday of every month at 7:30am in the Board Room located at 2225 Keith Parkway in Findlay, Ohio. The meeting is open to the public to observe. Interaction with the Board will require prior approval to be added to the agenda.

THE PEOPLE WE SERVE

Hancock County District Advisory Council

The purpose of the Hancock County District Advisory Council (HCDAC) is to elect its officers, appoint members to the Hancock County Board of Health, receive and consider the annual or special reports of the Hancock Public Health Department and make recommendations to the Hancock County Board of Health regarding matters for the betterment of health and sanitation within the District, or for needed legislation.

District Advisory Council Members

The District Advisory Council membership consists of the President of the Hancock County Board of Commissioners, the chief executive of each municipal corporation not constituting of a city's health district (mayors of cities and villages), and the chairperson of the board of township trustees for each township in the Hancock Regional Health District or their designated representatives.

Township Trustees

Allen Township
Amanda Township
Biglick Township
Blanchard Township
Cass Township
Delaware Township
Eagle Township
Jackson Township
Liberty Township
Madison Township
Marion Township
Orange Township
Pleasant Township
Portage Township
Union Township
Van Buren Township
Washington Township

Mayor of City
City of Findlay

Mayor of Incorporated Villages

Village of Arcadia
Village of Arlington
Village of Benton Ridge
Village of Jenera
Village of McComb
Village of Mt. Blanchard
Village of Mt. Cory
Village of Rawson
Village of Van Buren
Village of Vanlue

Hancock County

President- Board of Commissioners

ABOUT HANCOCK PUBLIC HEALTH

MISSION

Promoting Public Health and the Prevention of Disease,
Protecting People and the Environment

VISION

The Recognized Leader in Population Health

VALUES

ACCOUNTABILITY

We hold ourselves accountable to the community we serve.

INTEGRITY

The reflection of our ability to be honest, timely, and comprehensive in our work.

QUALITY

The measurement of improving on our services, will show in the quality of our work.

TEAMWORK

We cultivate trust, collaboration, and professionalism in our teammates.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Financial Vision

Customer Strategy

Process Improvement

People Investment

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Deploy Mobile Health Clinic

Improve Communications

Go Paperless

Keep Staff & Consumers SAFE

Prevent • Promote • Protect



A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEALTH COMMISSIONER

To Our Residents Whom We Proudly Serve,

It is an honor to present you the *Hancock Public Health 2021 Annual Report*. Last year, our Annual Report documented how our community partners and Leadership banded together to respond to the once-in-a-lifetime public health crisis COVID-19 pandemic. The 2020 report was like no other we had ever written, and the demands it placed on our Staff and partners were like none we had ever experienced.

Flash forward one year, and sadly COVID-19 is still commanding the headlines, controlling our everyday interactions, and keeping us on our toes about what is going to happen next. Following breakthroughs in vaccine research, Public Health staff once again stepped up to the plate in 2021, this time to lead vaccination efforts in our community. In collaboration with our State Partners and our local hospital, many hundreds of Public Health personnel, Blanchard Valley Health System associates, University of Findlay Pharmacy Students, and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) staffed mass vaccination sites and the mobile vaccination vehicle day after day for months on end; culminating in providing close to 100,000 doses that added to our communities' resilience to the Omicron Variant. We are ever so grateful for their efforts to protect and serve the elderly and vulnerable throughout our County. By May 2021, we began to see the fruits of our labor when case counts started to decrease, businesses opened, families reunited, and life's routines began to reappear. We hoped the focus of our 2021 report would be "Moving Forward Post Pandemic" and were excited to close this long chapter and begin a new one focused on reconnecting and recovery. However, COVID-19 has proven yet again to be one step ahead of us, despite achieving the monumental task of fully vaccinating over 50% of our population. The arrival of the delta variant, and subsequent return of high infection rates, demands we return to the breakneck pace that has become our new normal since February of 2020. We fully acknowledge the toll it has taken on our citizens, and our entire Public Health system to sustain this intense level of performance for 22 months straight. And thus, recognize that no words can adequately reflect the gratitude, admiration, and deep respect we have for the men and women on our staff who are serving selflessly. Their ability to remain flexible and adaptive in the moment for whatever comes their way has helped save so many lives - all while risking their own.

There is no doubt that our agency's ability to forge its way through as "ground zero" in the early days of the pandemic was directly related to our system of communitywide cooperation, ever so critical during a time of crisis. As we completed this sixth year of the merger, and our commitment to a premier public health service to our citizens, this year's report epitomizes that commitment by gaining the National Accreditation of the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). While the pandemic certainly garnered most of our attention, we must certainly acknowledge the many unsung heroes out in the field, and in our clinics that kept our operations moving along during this extraordinary time. I appreciate the opportunity to share this exceptional story with you and thank you for your continued support of our phenomenal collaboration here in Findlay and across Hancock County.

Respectfully submitted,

Karim Baroudi, MPH, RS, REHS
Health Commissioner

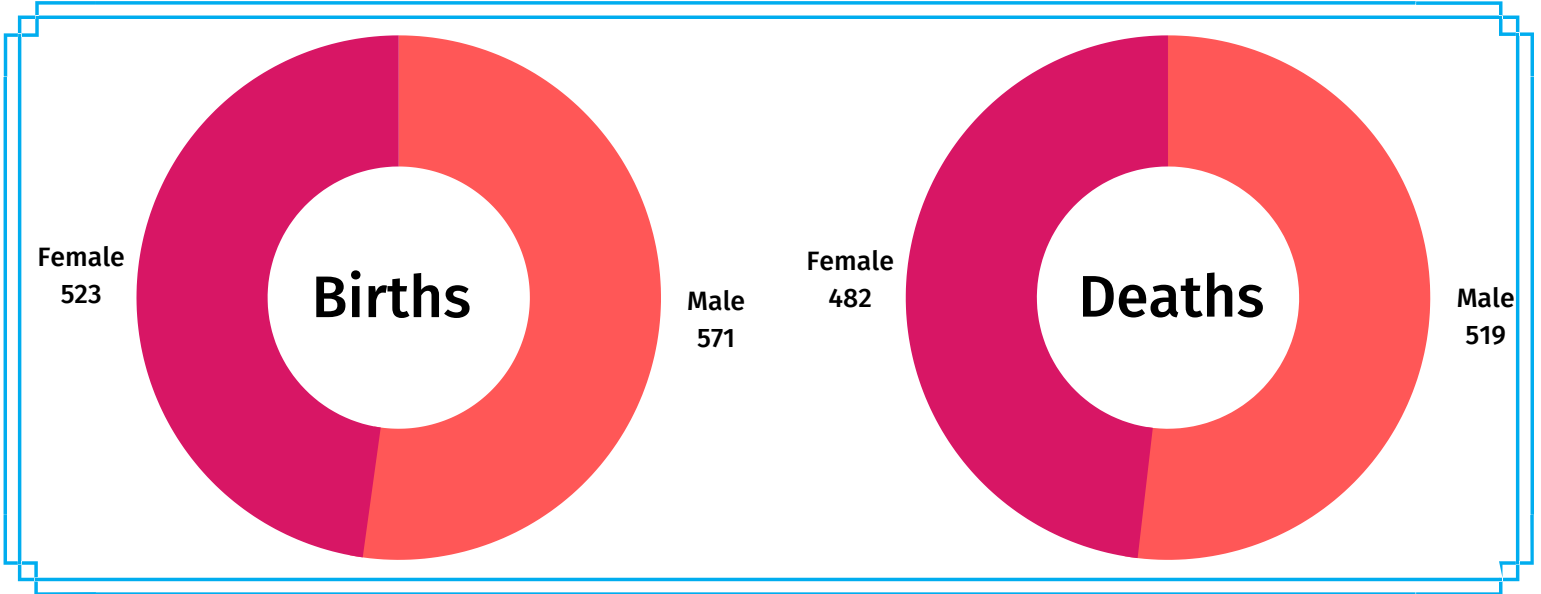


INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & DATA SYSTEM SERVICES

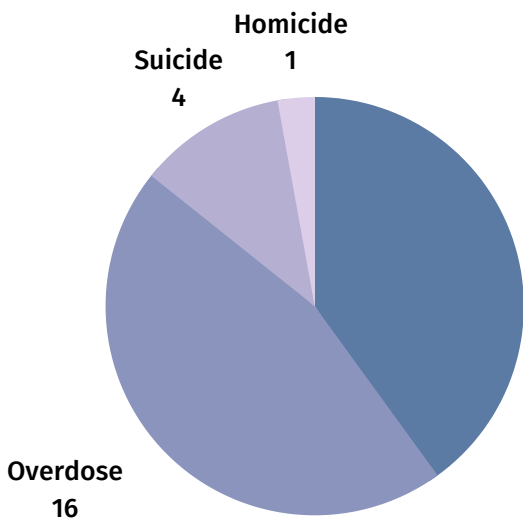
Vital Statistics

ASSIST IN THE CORRECTION OF VITAL RECORDS
 FILING/REGISTERING OF BIRTH & DEATH RECORDS FOR HANCOCK COUNTY
 GENEALOGY RESEARCH

STATEWIDE ISSUANCE OF BIRTH & DEATH CERTIFICATES WITHIN HANCOCK COUNTY



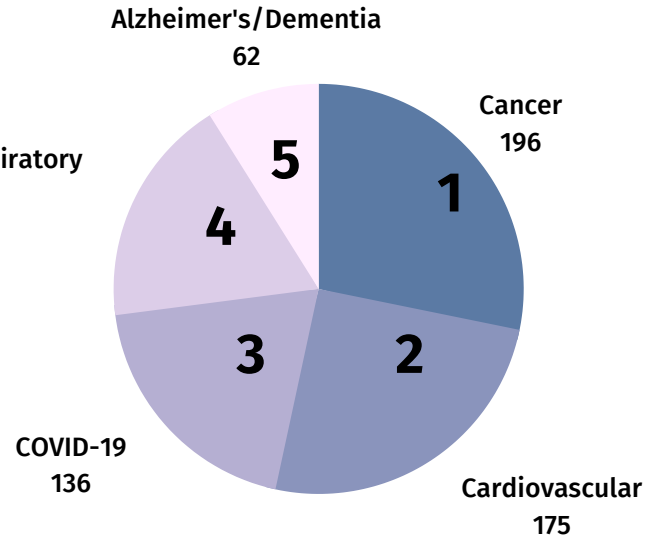
CORONER INVESTIGATED DEATHS



Accidental Death
14

Lung/Respiratory
126

TOP 5 CAUSES OF DEATH



Director: Craig Niese, BS

Registrar: Daniel Klein

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL HANDICAPS (CMH)
COMMUNICABLE DISEASES


IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
SCHOOL NURSING

6,371 

Routine
Immunizations given

548 

Communicable Diseases
investigated (excluding COVID-19)

4,371 


School Screenings
(hearing, vision, scoliosis)

299 

Clients Enrolled in CMH

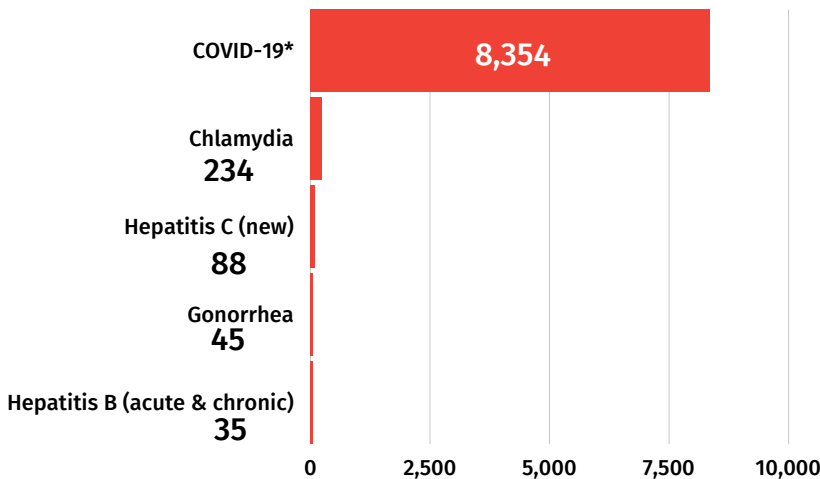
27,519 

CMH contacts

8,434 

COVID-19 Vaccinations given

Top 5 Communicable Diseases



*denotes probable & confirmed cases in Hancock County.

A probable case or death is defined as any one of the following:

- Meets clinical criteria AND epidemiologic linkage with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for SARS-CoV-2
- Meets presumptive laboratory evidence
- Meets vital records criteria with no confirmatory laboratory evidence for SARS-CoV-2

Any cases and deaths classified as probable are included in HPH case counts. The same applies to any cases and deaths classified as confirmed.

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics



Director: Shannon Chamberlin, BSN, RN

Alexa Dreyer, BSN, RN
Elisa Dryer, MA

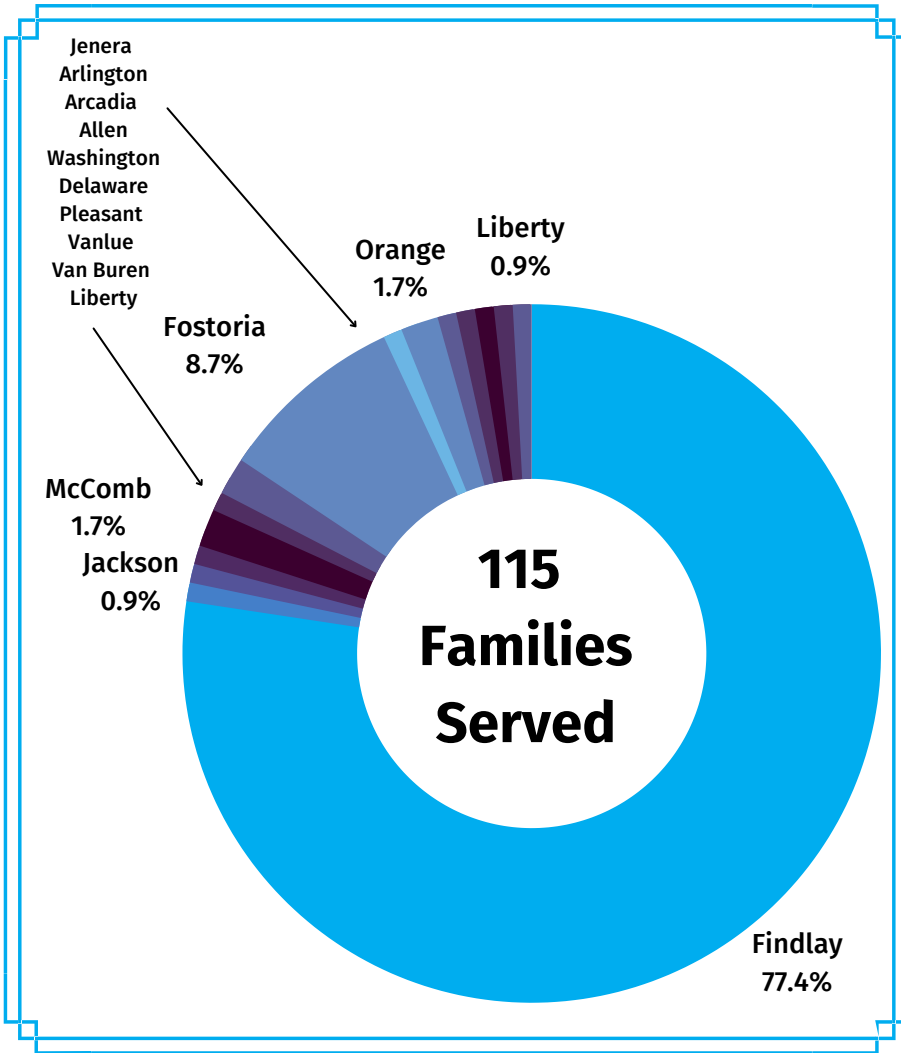
Jayne Catlett, RN
Lisa Jolliff, RN


Allison Pickens, RN
Nicole Spencer, RN

HELP ME GROW (HMG)

Home Visiting Program

The HMG team works with Hancock families who have children from newborn to age 3. We believe the parent is the best teacher to their child. We support families with home visits, referral to resources and skills-based training. We are proud to collaborate with the Findlay Digital Academy to support new mothers pursuing their education.



2,758 

Home Visits Completed

5 



FINDLAY DIGITAL ACADEMY
Where Learning Fits You™

+67,000 

Diapers/Pull-ups Distributed

12 

Playgroups Completed

4,137 

Hours Served to Hancock Co. Families

Project Manager: Alexa Heacock, RN, BSN

Marissa Baer, RN
Lisa Barth, LSW

Jannie Derstine
Julie Robinson

Kendra Vermillion, LSW
Annika Wilson, LSW student
University of Findlay

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

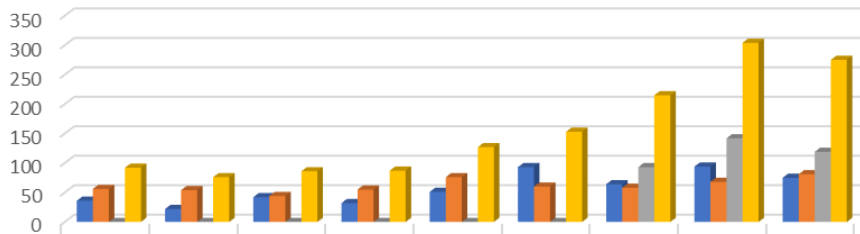
Inspection Services

ANIMAL BITES & RABIES CONTROL
 CAMPGROUNDS
 CHILDCARE CENTERS
 MOBILE FOOD TRUCKS
 PLUMBING & BACKFLOW PREVENTION
 PUBLIC HEALTH NUISANCE INVESTIGATIONS
 RESTAURANTS
 SCHOOLS

SEPTIC SYSTEMS, WELLS, WATER TESTING
 SOLID WASTE FACILITIES
 SMOKE-FREE OHIO
 SWIMMING POOLS
 TATTOO & BODY ART PARLORS
 TEMPORARY FOOD STANDS
 TOBACCO & SMOKING COMPLIANCE
 VECTOR MOSQUITO SURVEILLANCE & CONTROL

Operational Permits Issued

Operational Permits Issued 2021



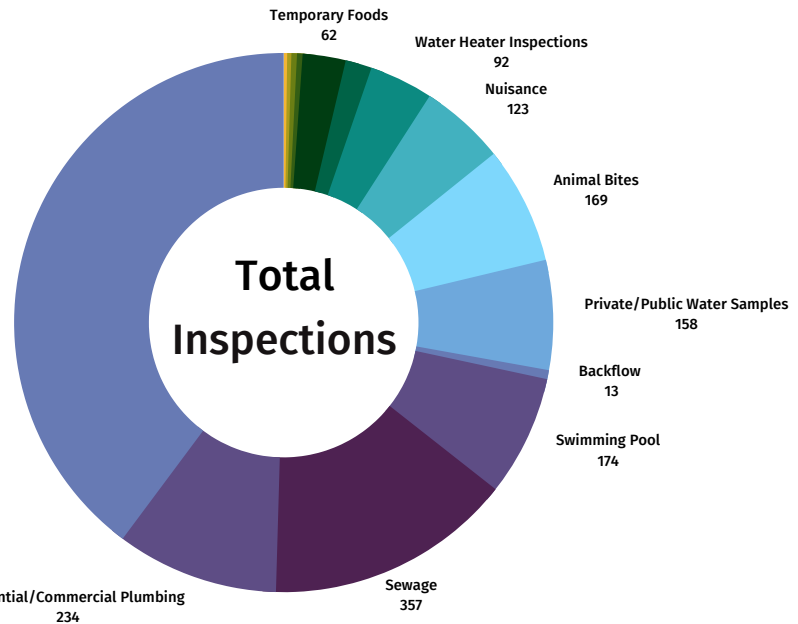
In 2007, HPH began issuing O&M permits on all new, replacement, and alteration septic permits that were issued. In January of 2019 HPH began the process for phasing in sewage systems installed prior to 2007, to meet the requirements of OAC 3701-29-19(A), by following up on the sale or transfer of a property that is non-exempt under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 319 and properties that complete septic evaluations for real estate transfers. At the end of 2018 it was figured that we had ~12,400 properties to bring into compliance. As of the end of 2021 we have ~1074 properties on the O&M program.

These are definitions for each category:

- Renewals**- O&M permits that are renewed every 5 years.
- Permits**-O&M permits that are permitted through the purchase of a new, replacement or alteration septic permit.
- Other**-Properties that receive permits due to a property transfer, septic evaluation for real estate transfers, or as required by the BOH due to a nuisance or variance request.



Food Inspections (RFE/FSO/Vending/Mobile)
957



Director: Lindsay Summit, MPH, REHS

Program Supervisor: Kurt Schroeder, REHS

Susan Bright, EH/Plumbing Clerk
 Ryan Burks, Sanitarian Technician

Eric Helms, Plumbing Inspector
 Craig Krajewski, REHS

Heidi Phillips, REHS

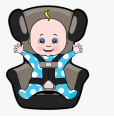
HEALTH PLANNING & PROMOTION SERVICES

CRIBS FOR KIDS & SAFE SLEEP PROGRAM
 COMMUNICATION OF HEALTH INFORMATION
 COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT & DATA COLLECTION
 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & COLLABORATION
 DRUG OVERDOSE HARM REDUCTION
 EMERGENCY DISASTER PLANNING

HEALTH PROGRAMS' PLANNING & EVALUATION
 HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT (HIPS)
 OHIO BUCKLES BUCKEYES PROGRAM
 OUTBREAK INVESTIGATIONS & INFECTION CONTROL
 POPULATION HEALTH PROGRAMMING
 SCHOOL NUTRITION EDUCATION

Child Passenger Safety

75



Seats Distributed

114



Installed Correctly

59.5%



Missuses Rate

293



Seats Checked

136



BHV OB checks

24



Safe Sleep
Kits Distributed

School Nutrition Program

242

Students Served



Arlington
 Liberty Benton
 Cory-Rawson
 Van Buren



HIDDEN IN
 PLAIN SIGHT

2

Events

Director: Chad Masters, MPH, REHS

Sharona Bishop
 Gary Bright, LSW

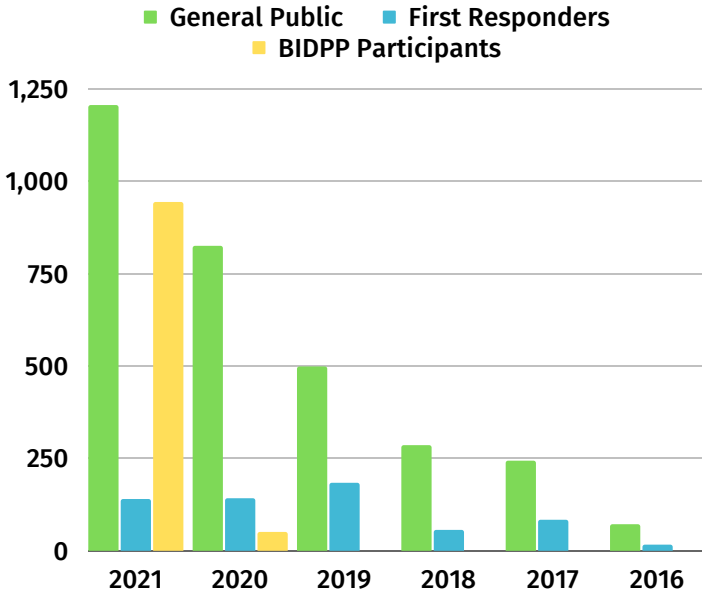
Jamie Decker
 Jessica Halsey, BS

Cheryl Miller, BS
 Hannah Plumley, MPH

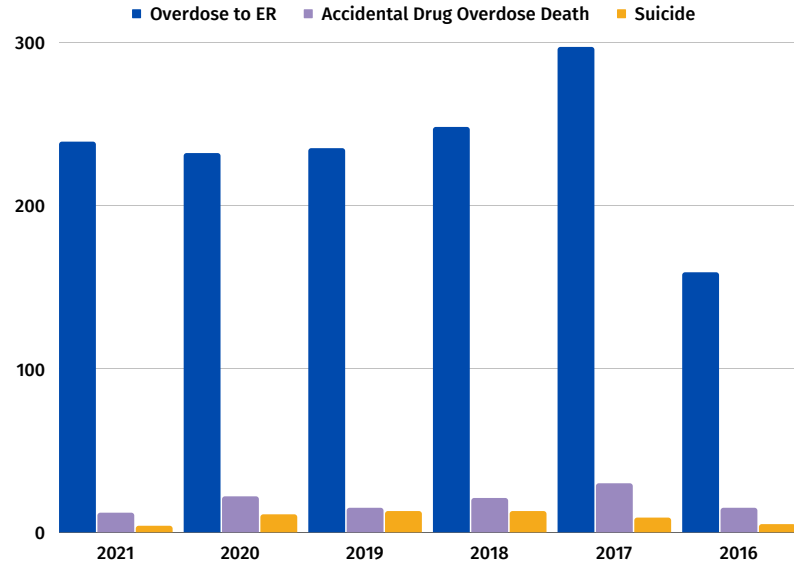
HARM REDUCTION

Harm Reduction is a set of practical strategies and ideas aimed at saving lives and reducing negative health consequences associated with drug use.

Project DAWN Distribution by Group

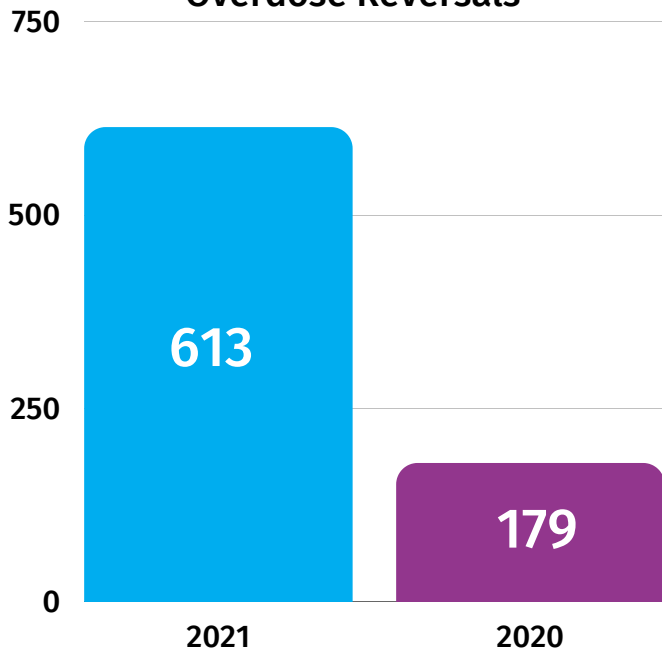


Overdose & Suicide Rates



*2 of the suicides were children in 2020- reviewed by CFR team
 ** two of the 2021 OD fatalities occurred within 5 days of release from HCJC. This is being tracked as part of a state initiative to distribute Naloxone to jail inmates as they are known to be at especially high risk of overdose after release.

Overdose Reversals



218

Sharps Containers Distributed

11

Engaged in Treatment

29,190

Syringes Safely Disposed



The SOAR Initiative



THE ISSUE INVOLVES ALL OF US. THE SOLUTION DOES, TOO.



EDUCATE, ENGAGE, & EMPOWER

Mosquito Surveillance

9 Hours Spraying
267 Traps/Locations
4,847 Mosquitos collected
4 West Nile +
0 Human Cases +

ServSafe Manager Certification Trainings

4 Classes
18 Attendance
94% Passing Rate

Project DAWN Community Awareness Events

Aug. 31, 2021
Sept. 4, 2021
Sept. 18, 2021



SAFE COMMUNITIES FATALITY REVIEW

2,092 TOTAL CRASHES
10 FATAL CRASHES
30 SERIOUS INJURY CRASHES
200 MINOR INJURY CRASHES
134 POSSIBLE INJURY
1,718 PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY

Youth* Driver Crashes

677 Total
4 Fatal
11 Serious Injury
25 Distracted Driving
113 Speed Related
8 Alcohol Related
3 Motorcycle

Teen* Related Crashes

312 Total
2 Fatal
7 Serious Injury
15 Distracted Driving
58 Speed Related
2 Alcohol Related
1 Motorcycle

Mature* Adult Driver Crashes

372 Total
2 Fatal
6 Serious Injury
20 Distracted Driving
49 Speed Related
7 Alcohol Related
6 Motorcycle

Unbelted Related Crashes

200 Teen Drivers
5 Fatal
6 Serious Injury
5 Distracted Driving
28 Speed Related
14 Alcohol Related

Failure to Yield Related Crashes

289 Teen Drivers
2 Fatal
7 Serious Injury
5 Distracted Driving
17 Speed Related
4 Alcohol Related
7 Motorcycle

Speed Related Crashes

261 Teen Drivers
2 Fatal
7 Serious Injury
8 Distracted Driving
17 Failure to Yield
15 Alcohol Related
3 Motorcycle

Definitions: Youth Driver is defined as 15-24 years old. Teen Driver is defined as 15-19 years old. Mature Adult Driver is defined as 55 +.

HANCOCK COUNTY MOBILE HEALTH CLINIC

Community Partners

Blanchard Valley Health System

Hancock County Board of Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services (ADAMHS)

City of Findlay

Hancock County Board of Commissioners

Black Swamp Area Council, Boy Scouts of America

50 North

United Way of Hancock County

Findlay YMCA

Community Events

Arlington Summer Parade

Back-to-School Fair

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

Findlay Pride

Findlay's Independence Day Parade

Findlay's National Night Out

Hancock County Fair

Hancock County Farmer's Market

McComb Cookie Festival

University of Findlay, College of Pharmacy

598 

Vaccinations
Administered

500 

Community
Interactions



COVID-19 RESPONSE 2021

The COVID-19 pandemic continued into 2021 and provided new challenges and opportunities for Hancock Public Health to help the residents of Hancock County stay safe and healthy.

8,355 
Total Cases

558 
Hospitalizations

137 
Total Deaths

8,434
Vaccinations Administered

38,818
Vaccinations Started

107,472
PPE items Distributed

36,664
Vaccinations Completed

16,242
Boosters Given

8,984
Home Test Kits Distributed

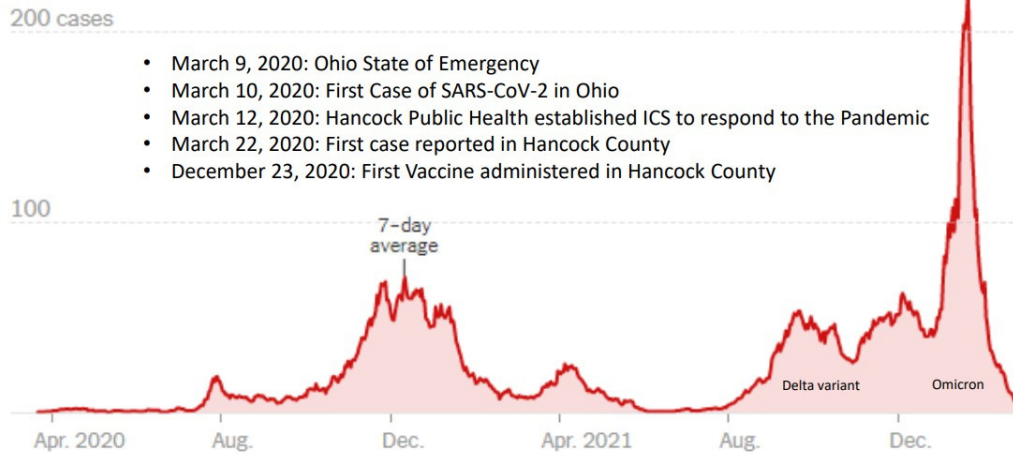


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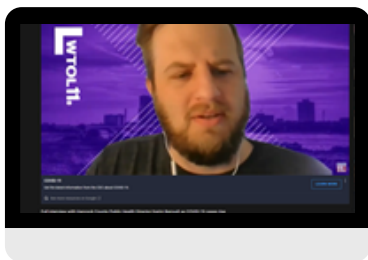
Population: 74,920 Density: 142/sq. mile



Pandemic Timeline



Community Outreach & Education



WTOL Virtual Interview
April 2, 2021



International Public Health
Collaboration with Japan
December 15, 2021

Social Media Insights



20,440

Reached

8,611

Post Engagements

35

New Followers

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH



Hancock Public Health implemented a new training management system for its employees. This permitted staff to continue their training requirements safely in their workspace and on a schedule that permitted flexibility.



Hancock Public Health has seen an increase in the Child Passenger Safety Program therefore, more Car Seat Technicians were trained to meet the demand.

The Public Health Workforce Interests and Needs Survey (PH WINS) is an online survey of individual workers at governmental public health agencies fielded by the de Beaumont Foundation in partnership with the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO). It captures individual governmental public health workers' perspectives on key issues such as workforce engagement and morale, training needs, and emerging concepts in public health, and collects data on demographics of the workforce. Participants included state health agencies, big city agencies & local health departments.

Chelsi Frankforther was designated as HPH's "PH WINS Workforce Champion" and was responsible for promoting participation in the survey, being the main point of contact and collaborating with the de Beaumont Foundation to ensure the success of PH WINS 2021. The survey was initially launched to all staff members in mid-September 2021 and closed mid-January 2022. Hancock Public Health (Region V) exceeded the 75.0% benchmark response rate, which was required to receive an individual agency report, with a 93.5% response rate.

The de Beaumont Foundation and its research team will analyze the data that was submitted, and package and distribute reports to participating agencies that achieved a sufficient response rate with final decisions for agency level reports being completed in May.

SURVEY FUN FACTS

PH WINS was developed in 2013 with subsequent surveys launching in 2014, 2017 and 2021.

Out of the 180 participants in Region V, only four were able to reach a 100% response rate by the end of the survey launch. There were 18 participants able to reach the 90.0-99.9% response rate; with the rest being 89.9% and below.

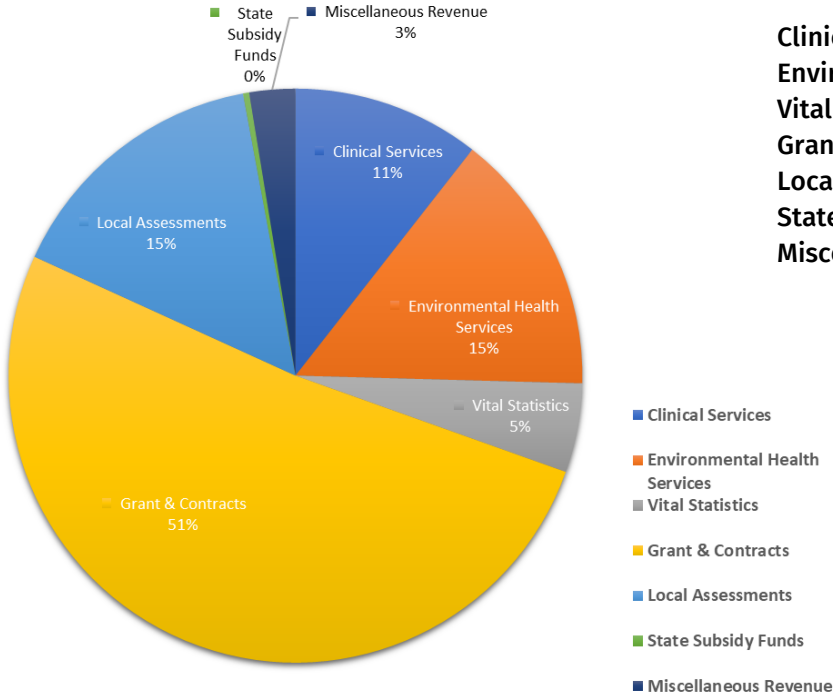
To express their gratitude for agencies partnering with PH WINS, the de Beaumont Foundation offered all workforce champions a complimentary registration for the Building Expertise in Administration & Management (BEAM) certificate program offered through the University of Miami. This program helps public health professionals advance their careers by learning fundamental public health business skills (and was developed based off findings from PH WINS 2017).



FINANCIAL SNAP SHOT

2021 Beginning Balance	\$1,451,064.18
2022 Carryover Balance	\$1,550,902.53

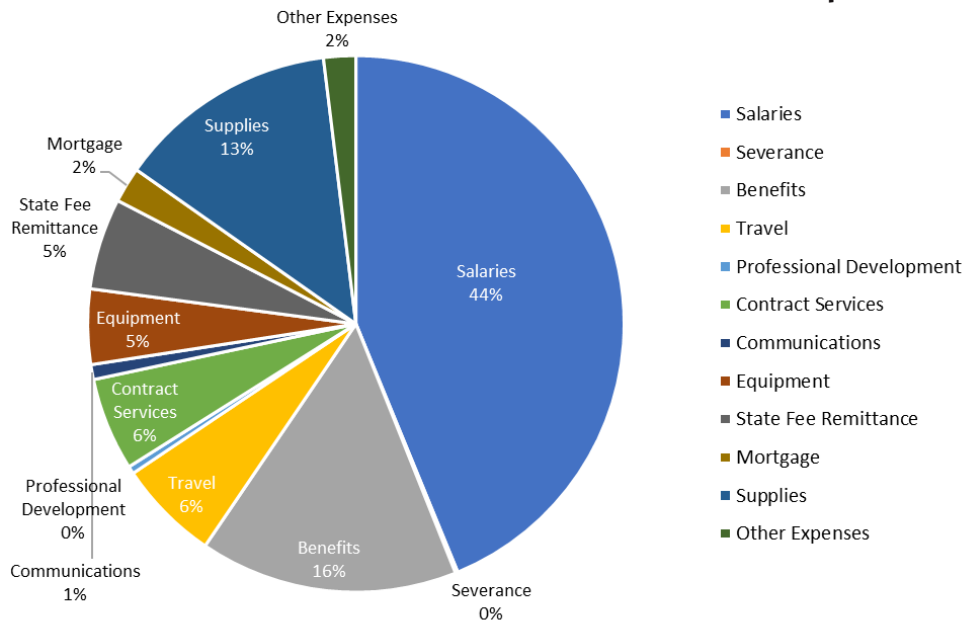
2021 Revenue



Clinical Services.....	\$413,168.65
Environmental Health Services.....	\$580,822.40
Vital Statistics.....	\$195,839.50
Grant & Contracts.....	\$2,007,278.04
Local Assessments.....	\$596,812.50
State Subsidy Funds.....	\$13,446.98
Miscellaneous Revenue.....	\$101,101.86

Salaries.....	\$1,635,028.73
Severance.....	\$5,465.90
Benefits.....	\$580,518.91
Travel.....	\$227,785.51
Professional Development.....	\$17,121.56
Contract Services.....	\$209,542.01
Communications.....	\$33,432.02
Equipment.....	\$168,979.67
State Fee Remittance.....	\$205,552.66
Mortgage.....	\$79,958.16
Supplies.....	\$497,104.90
Other Expenses.....	\$72,248.73

2021 Expenses



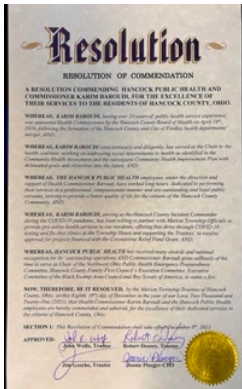
AWARDS & ACCOLADES



Findlay YMCA Strategic Partner of the Year

January 26, 2022

For outstanding efforts provided to Hancock County, Ohio during the Covid-19 pandemic.



Resolution of Commendation

December 8, 2021

Marion Township Trustees

Excellence of Service to the Residents of Hancock County, Ohio.



Bowling Green State University, Public Health Program

April 9, 2021

For Selflessly and Diligently serving Northwest Ohio during the Covid-19 Pandemic.



Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities

2021

For Exceptional service in leading your community's efforts to combat the Coronavirus Pandemic.

MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS

The Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) is a group of volunteers committed to assisting in times of need at Hancock Public Health. Our volunteers come from all walks of life and have donated their time for a variety of services to keep Hancock County safe and healthy.

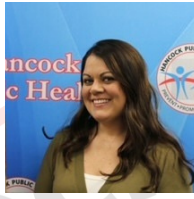
- ✓ **80+ Volunteers**
- ✓ **2,006 hours donated**
- ✓ **\$72,365.00 economic impact to Hancock County**
- ✓ **95 response activities**
 - Close Contact & Covid-19 positive-case phone calls for the community and schools
 - Vaccine Clinics



OUR TEAM



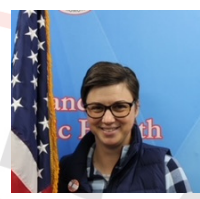
Alexa Heacock
HMG Program Manager



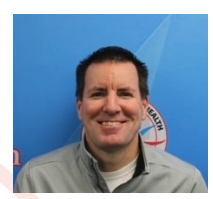
Shannon Chamberlin
Director of Nursing



Craig Niese
IT/Data Manager



Lindsay Summit
Director of Environmental Health



Chad Masters
Director of Health Promotion & Planning



Marissa Baer
RN- Help Me Grow



Alexa Dreyer
Registered Nurse



Dan Klein
Registrar



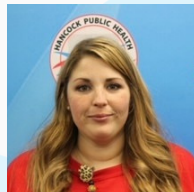
Kurt Schroeder
EH Program Supervisor



Hannah Plumley
Epidemiologist



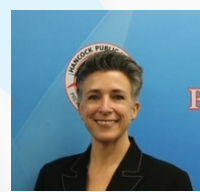
Kendra Vermillion
LSW- Help Me Grow



Jayne Catlett
Registered Nurse



Chelsi Frankforter
Fiscal Officer



Heidi Phillips
Registered Environmental Health Specialist



Jessica Halsey
Health Educator



Lisa Barth
Lead HMG Home Visitor



Allison Pickens
Registered Nurse



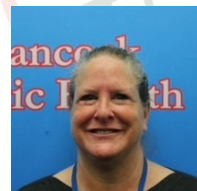
Elisa Dyer
Certified Medical Assistant



Craig Krajewski
Registered Environmental Health Specialist



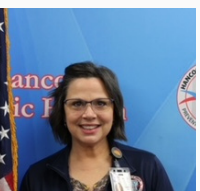
Gary Bright
Injury Prevention Coordinator



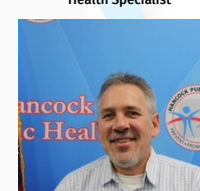
Julie Robinson
HMG- Home Visitor



Lisa Jolliff
Registered Nurse



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EH/ Plumbing Clerk



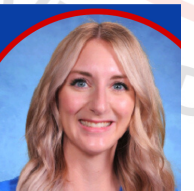
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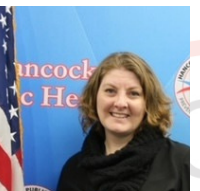
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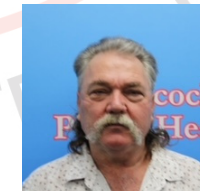
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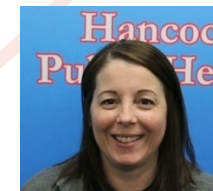
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