



Public Health
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Perry County
Health Department

District Advisory Council
Perry County
Board of Health
Angela DeRolph
Health Commissioner &
Public Information Officer

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OUR MISSION
To improve Public Health in Perry County by preventing disease, promoting health and safety, and protecting our environment.

OUR VISION
A motivated community uniting for health and prosperity where we live, work, and play.



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ANNUAL REPORT

Our Core Values: WE CARE

- Willingness:** We are ready to respond and eager to promote and protect the health of Perry county residents where they live, work and play.
- Excellence:** We promote quality outcomes through learning and continuous quality improvement. We use scientific data and evidence-based strategies to build a strong foundation to address health needs and promote healthy living in Perry County.
- Collaboration:** We value the diversity and unique contributions of our employees and partners. We develop positive relationships, foster innovative solutions, and use teamwork to solve problems and achieve common goals.
- Accountability:** We operate with open communication, transparency, timeliness, and continuous quality improvement. We strive to do the right thing to achieve the best public health outcomes.
- Respect:** We uphold a standard of conduct that recognizes and values the contributions of all. We value our employees and treat our clients, partners, and those we serve with respect by listening, understanding, and responding to their needs.
- Education:** We are committed to empowering and enriching employees through workforce development in order to advance the practice of public health. We also strive to offer and promote quality programs for our community in an attempt to improve health outcomes.

The Board of Health:

Timothy Cotterman, President
James Clouse, R.Ph., Vice President
Kyle Eveland
Stephen Ulrich, MD
Carol Schaumleffel, DNP, RN, LSN

Medical Director:

Dr. Bradley Wilson



2022

Greetings from your Perry County Health Commissioner!



The Perry County Health Department works to make Perry County a healthier and safer place to live, work, and play. We play a critical role in protecting and improving the health of Perry County residents and I am pleased to share with you our annual report highlighting our work and accomplishments from 2022.

The 2022 annual report includes activities and data that reflect our work in each of our divisions: administration, emergency preparedness, environmental health, health education, and nursing. Additionally, our report highlights the work that we have done to modernize our health department and enhance our community engagement efforts.

As you review the Perry County Health Department's annual report, I hope you are inspired by all the services provided and achievements made last year by our staff. Thank you for supporting our efforts in improving and sustaining the health of Perry County residents and may 2023 bring health and happiness to you, your family, and friends.

Sincerely,

Angela DeRolph, MPH
Health Commissioner



National Public Health Accreditation

In 2022, the Perry County Health Department submitted our first Public Health Accreditation Annual Report. PCHD is one of only 315 local health departments nationally that has achieved National Public Health Accreditation. Successful completion of the annual report highlighted a continued commitment to meeting national accreditation standards, while working to enhance our performance management and quality improvement efforts.

Strategic Plan

In 2022 the Perry County Health Department utilized the Center for Public Health Practice at the Ohio State University (CPHP) to provide overall guidance and support towards our strategic plan development.

We gathered input from staff, our Board of Health, and numerous community partners to help identify our strengths, aspirations, opportunities for improvement, and challenges that the health department may face over the next 5 years.

Additionally, during the strategic planning process, staff considered the health department's collective capacity and current capabilities, political climate, impacts of the COVID-19 response, information management, community health assessment data and health priorities, workforce development, communication/branding strategies, and long-term financial stability. This information was used to help staff identify strategic priorities and workplans for each of the 5 priority areas listed.

The PCHD Strategic Plan was approved in January 2023 and implementation of the 5 strategic priority workplans will occur over the next 5 years.

Strategic Priorities



Fiscal Report

2022
Public Health Levy Income
\$795,950
Supports



Financial Statements	General Fund	Special Revenue	Total
Receipts			
Intergovernmental	837,099	776,186	1,613,285
Contracts	27,415	-	27,415
Charges for Service	142,173	2,440,803	2,582,975
Licenses	10,091	189,871	199,962
Permits	11,498	38,259	49,757
Other	1,225	17,525	18,750
Transfers In	89,653	90,081	179,735
Total Receipts	1,119,154	3,552,725	4,671,879
Disbursements			
Salaries	659,209	208,306	867,515
Supplies/Medical Supplies	64,301	11,626	75,927
Remittances to State	30,634	1,662,097	1,692,730
Equipment	6,775	23,931	30,706
Medical Insurance	125,484	68,320	193,804
Contracts - Services	147,183	557,529	704,712
Training	635	-	635
Travel	7,168	1,406	8,574
Utilities & Rentals	5,699	2,482	8,181
Liability Insurance	2,337	-	2,337
Advertising & Printing	795	11,392	12,187
Public Employee's Retirement	85,651	27,043	112,694
Worker's Comp & Medicare	9,229	2,913	12,142
Life Insurance	459	-	459
Other	2,270	6,995	9,265
Returned Grant Dollars	-	16,239	16,239
Transfers Out	10,000	169,735	179,735
Total Disbursements	1,157,830	2,770,013	3,927,843
Fund Balances Jan 1, 2022	1,016,105	5,424,565	6,440,670
Fund Balances, Dec 31, 2022	977,429	6,207,277	7,184,707

Fund Balance Breakdown

\$3,912,339

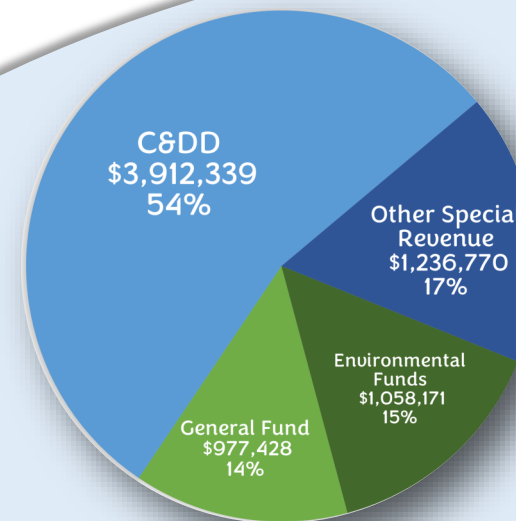
of the \$7,184,707 in fund balances is restricted by Ohio Revised Code to be used solely for the purpose of the C&DD program.

\$1,236,770

of the remaining \$3,272,368 in balances was received via grants. This funding must be used for purposes specified by the grant, such as pack-n-play purchases, tobacco cessation products, and grant funded employee salaries.

\$2,035,598

remains between the General Fund and Environmental Funds to support the general operation of the health department in 2023.



Community Highlights

\$400,000

Investment in
Perry County

Ohio
Health
Improvement
Zones

OHIZ aims to address social determinants of health (SDoH) and improve healthy behaviors of residents through meaningful community engagement and cross sector collaborations in **New Lexington, Shawnee, New Straitsville, and Hemlock**

Phase 1: Complete

Phase 2: In Progress

Assess health needs of community through 8 focus groups in coordination with Ohio University

Select & implement projects through "Strategic Doing" with Ohio University



The assessment reports were released in January 2023 and include a detailed analysis of the congruent themes that emerged from the focus groups, along with substantial quotations from participants which convey the richness of the discussion and provide the authentic voices of the community members.

Both the New Lexington Assessment Report and the Southern Perry County Assessment Report can be found here: <http://perrycountyhealth.info/ohiz/>

NatureWorks Wetlands Project



Funded through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Past the Health Department, on the same side of Hunter/Lincoln Park Drive, lays a floodplain area with existing wetlands owned by The Perry County Commissioners.

This property was excavated under the supervision of Perry Soil and Water to create ponding to ensure the area will retain water during any dry season, in order to encourage wildlife to visit the area.

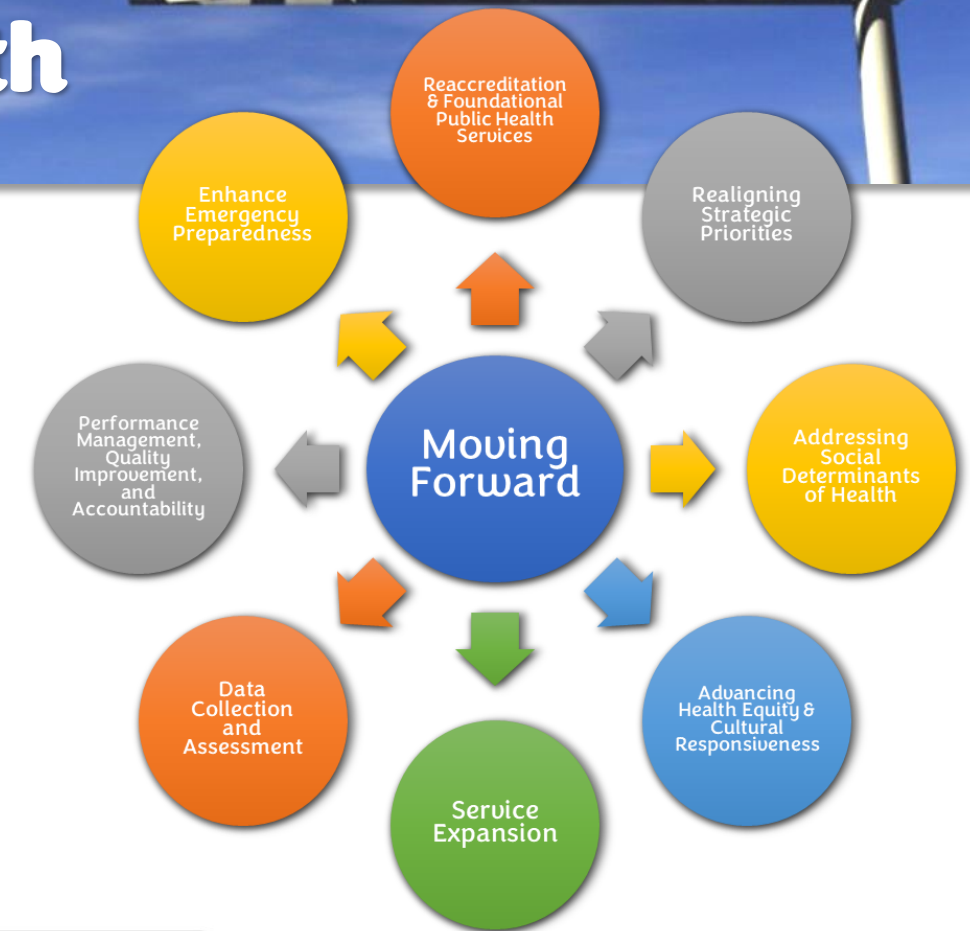
In Spring 2023, a boardwalk will be installed and a pollinator garden will be planted.

The area is open to the public. No fishing is permitted.

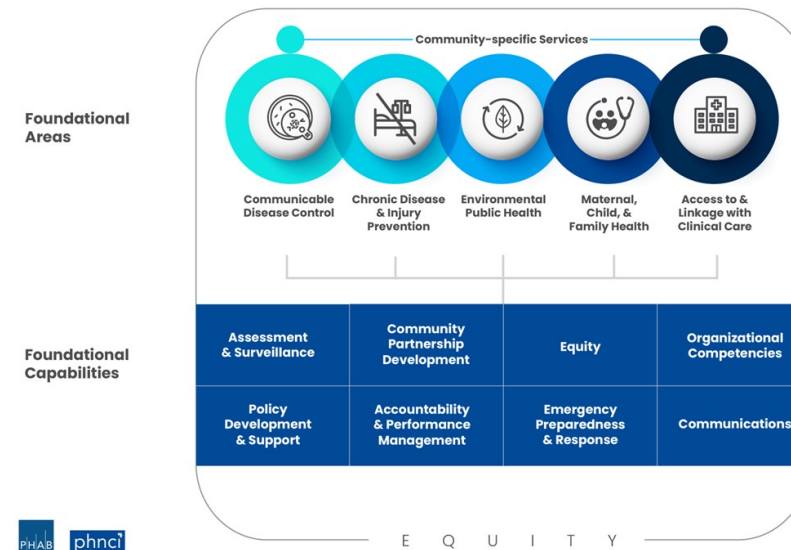
STAY TUNED!

The Future of Public Health

COVID-19 has made it clear that the nation's **safety, health, & economic prosperity** depend on its ability to minimize the effects of devastating **public health threats**.



Foundational Public Health Services



The Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS), which were revised in 2022, is a practical framework that is being used to modernize public health. Federal policy makers have come to recognize the FPHS framework, especially the Foundational Capabilities, as a way to describe how best to rebuild the public health system based on learnings from COVID-19.

The FPHS framework reflects the evolving nature and modernization of public health by defining a minimum package of public health capabilities and programs that no jurisdiction should be without. The FPHS framework also outlines the unique responsibilities of public health and can be used to explain the vital role of public health in a thriving community; identify capacity and resource gaps; determine the cost for assuring foundational activities; and justify funding needs.



Read more about our modernization efforts at:

<http://perrycountyhealth.info/future/>

Looking Forward...

We are looking at exciting and innovative new ways to use our Construction and Demolition Debris (C&DD) funds. These funds are derived from the C&DD landfills located in New Lexington (Tunnel Hill), and Glenford (Waste Management).

The Health Department receives \$1.60 per ton of C&DD received by the landfill, which are referred to as "tipping fees". The Health Department then forwards the funding onto these entities:

The remaining amount is retained in a special fund, governed by the Ohio Revised Code. C&DD funds can only be used for enforcing [Chapter 3714 of the Ohio Revised Code](#), which covers C&DD.



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Entity	Amount
Perry County Commissioners (Both landfills)	\$0.06 per ton
Harrison Twp (Tunnel Hill only)	\$0.07264 per ton
Pike Twp (Tunnel Hill only)	\$0.00512 per ton
Clayton Twp (Tunnel Hill only)	\$0.00224 per ton
Hopewell Twp (Waste Management Only)	\$.08 per ton
Ohio EPA	
Ohio EPA forwards \$1.00 per ton to Recycling/Solid Waste Chapter)	\$1.06 per ton
Health Department Retains	\$0.40 per ton



What We Have Done

- Worked with the Perry County Landbank to remove and remediate blighted properties.
- Obtained a legal opinion on how to use C&DD funding.
- Paid partial employee salaries for time working on C&DD projects and nuisances.

What We Plan To Do

- Hire a Registered Environmental Health Specialist to monitor and inspect Solid Waste and C&DD Landfills in Perry County.
- Plan Community Clean Up Days that will include Scrap Tire Cleanups.
- Research Projects related to C&DD landfills and environmental effects.

Vital Statistics

The Perry County Health Department issues certified birth certificates for anyone born in **Ohio from 1908 to current.**

Certified death certificates are available for deaths that occurred in **Perry County from 1908 to current.**



9 Homebirths were registered in Perry County

305 Deaths in Perry County*

17 Deaths were overdoses*

*Although more incidents may have occurred in Perry County, many individuals are transported to out-of-county hospitals before being pronounced deceased.

Emergency Preparedness

The Emergency Preparedness program is funded through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant. This program is responsible for ensuring that the Perry County Health Department is prepared to respond to various emergency events, such as:

- Infectious Diseases**
- Natural Disasters**
- Biological, chemical, nuclear, radiological events**



In 2022, we coordinated with the Community Heart Watch Program, which includes Fairfield Medical Center and Fairfield, Hocking, and Perry County to promote and teach citizens the basics of CPR and AED use.



441 flu shots & 206 COVID boosters were given at the drive-thru clinic in October.



A mobile unit for vaccines, emergencies, and education was purchased to broaden services throughout Perry County.

The unit was available for breastfeeding mothers and diaper changing at the Perry County Fair and at mobile vaccine clinics.

Public Health Nursing



Services Provided:

- Immunizations- infancy through adulthood
- Infectious Disease Reporting and Investigation
- Blood Pressure Readings
- Head Lice Prescriptions
- Naloxone Training and Distribution
- Mobile Mammography Units through The James Cancer Center
- Community Outreach and Education

Infectious Disease Cases Reported 2018-2022

Infectious Disease	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Campylobacteriosis	12	6	6	4	10
CP-CRE	0	1	1	2	2
Chlamydia	103	134	89	83	84
Coccidioidomycosis	0	1	0	0	0
Cryptosporidiosis	2	2	5	3	9
E. coli	2	2	2	3	1
Giardiasis	7	3	0	3	4
Gonorrhea	22	40	20	20	18
Haemophilus influenzae	2	1	0	1	2
Hepatitis A	8	31	0	1	3
Hepatitis B	15	20	6	12	7
Hepatitis C	53	51	31	32	32
Hepatitis E	0	0	0	1	0
Influenza-Associated Hospitalization	29	48	31	3	37
LaCrosse Virus Disease	1	0	2	0	1
Legionnaires' Disease	4	4	0	1	0
Listeriosis	1	0	0	0	0
Lyme Disease	3	12	2	23	52
Meningitis, bacterial	2	0	0	1	0
Meningitis, viral	2	0	0	1	1
Pertussis	2	0	0	4	1
Salmonellosis	3	8	2	5	3
Shigellosis	0	2	0	0	0
Streptococcal Disease, Group A	1	3	3	7	2
Streptococcus pneumoniae	6	8	6	7	6
Syphilis	1	3	3	2	4
Varicella	4	0	2	3	1
Yersiniosis	0	0	0	0	1
SARS-CoV-2 Associated MIS-C	0	0	0	0	1
COVID-19	-	-	1935	4374	3936

*Confirmed, Probable, and Suspected Cases

2022 Numbers

Immunizations

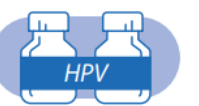
Adult: 189
 Infant/child: 1,089
 COVID-19: 2,841
 Flu: 1,504



Other Services

DID YOU KNOW?

HPV vaccine protects both girls and boys from future infections that can lead to certain types of cancer.



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offsite clinics provided greater community access to flu and COVID-19 vaccines.

PROJECT DAWN

177
naloxone kits distributed

75
individuals trained



106

mammograms through James Cancer Center Mobile Mammography Units.



Left: Jenna Cannon, BSN RN, Director of Nursing
 Right: Bailey Vandagriff, RN, Public Health Nurse

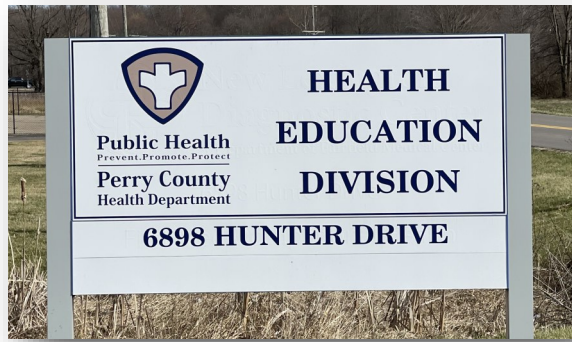
Health Education



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Families received car seats through our partnership with Ohio Buckles Buckeyes and Job and Family Services.

In 2022, the Health Education Division moved to a new facility, just across the street, that expanded space for health promotion and prevention services aimed at improving the health of residents where they live, work, and play.



Tobacco Use Prevention & Cessation

All four Perry County school districts participate in an alternative to suspension program that educates youth on the decision to stop using tobacco and vape products in lieu of traditional suspension.

TUPC Coordinator presented 2 tobacco free park policies at Village Council meetings with ordinances passing on both:

Suzie Q's Bike Park in New Lexington

Hemlock Park



TOBACCO FREE

Creating Healthy Communities

Making the Healthy Choice, the Easy Choice...

Healthy Eating Cooking Classes	Active Living Projects
Meals in a Mug	ODOT Safety Grant Carroll Street Sidewalk
Summer Salads	Lincoln Park Sidewalk Installed
Fall Soups	Bike Trail in Thorn Twp



families were educated on safe sleep practices and received a portable crib through our Cribs for Kids grant program.

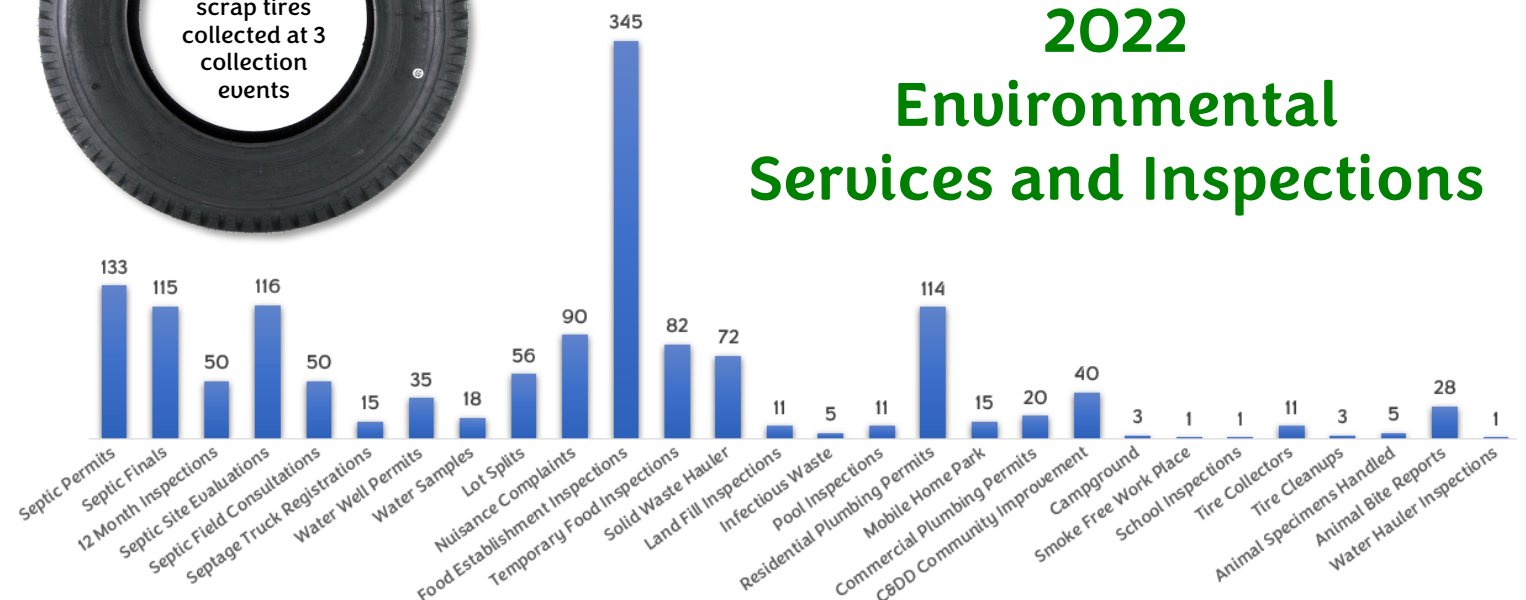
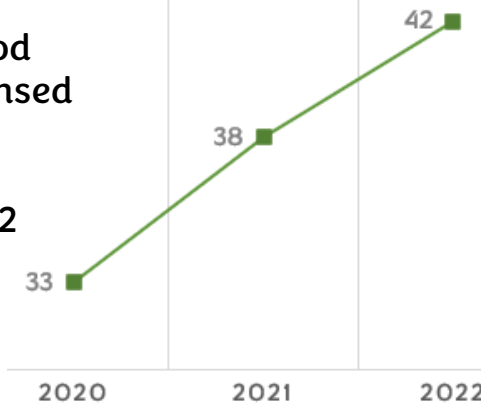
Environmental Health

The Perry County Health Department licenses and inspects all mobile food units owned by Perry County residents. In the past 3 years, we have seen an increase in the number of licensed mobile food units. Mobile food units are licensed by one county or entity, but have the option of operating anywhere in the state of Ohio.



The unit must be mobile and meet certain requirements to be licensed and serve the public. Mobile food units adhere to all the same rules as food service operations and retail food establishments, but in a mobile format.

Mobile Food Units Licensed in Perry County 2020-2022



Working to keep you **healthy** where you **live**, **work** and **play** by overseeing:

Home Sewage Treatment Systems

Private Water Systems

Plumbing Installations and Alterations

Solid Waste Licensing and Inspections

Food Service Licensing and Inspections

Campground Licensing

Swimming Pool Licensing

Mosquito Surveillance and Control

Animal Bites/Rabies Concerns

Public Health Nuisances

