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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Darke County General Health District is to develop and maintain an efficient and effective system, which will provide for the highest quality of public health services, and to promote and protect the Darke County Community's physical, mental, social, and environmental well being.

The Darke County General Health District will administer its responsibilities by:

- Assessing the health and environmental status, resources, and needs of the community.
- Develop the necessary programs to monitor and control the environmental factors that could negatively impact on the health and quality of life in the community.
- Develop the necessary programs to provide health promotion and educational services that motivate groups and individuals to improve and maintain optimal health and environmental status.
- Provide preventive health and environmental services as necessary.
- Monitor the effectiveness of the departments programs and of the community's efforts to effectively control the health and environmental problems and to maintain optimal health and environmental well being.

DARKE COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health is responsible for appointing the Health Commissioner. They approve the hiring of Health Department employees, and meet monthly to discuss topics that are occurring within the Health District. They help make important decisions such as the adoption of regulations and policies and approval of expenditures. At least one member must be a physician. The current members include:

Robert Turner, Chairman	Term Expires March 2014
James Henby, Vice-Chairman (Chairman 3/2014)	Term Expires March 2018
Krista Fourman	Term Expires March 2017
Wayne Deschambeau	Term Expires March 2016
Dr. Margaret Hensel (Vice-Chairman 3/2014)	Term Expires March 2015
Curtis Yount	Term Expires March 2019

DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Darke County General Health District is a combined health district representing Greenville City and the Darke County Community. There are five individuals appointed to the Board of Health. The Mayor of Greenville City appoints 2 members of the Board of Health to represent Greenville City. The District Advisory Council appoints 2 members of the Board of Health to represent Darke County and they elect a five member advisory council of regulated parties that

selects an additional member from their group. The District Advisory Council includes the Township Trustees and the Mayors of the Villages within Darke County. The District Advisory Council includes Trustees from the following townships: Adams, Allen, Brown, Butler, Franklin, Greenville, Harrison, Jackson, Liberty, Mississinawa, Monroe, Neave, Patterson, Richland, Twin, Van Buren, Wabash, Washington, Wayne, and York. The District Advisory Council includes Mayors from the following villages: Ansonia, Arcanum, Bradford, Burkettsville, Castine, Gettysburg, Gordon, Hollansburg, Ithaca, New Madison, New Weston, North Star, Osgood, Palestine, Pittsburg, Rossburg, Union City, Versailles, Wayne Lakes, and Yorkshire. The Council membership also includes a County Commissioner.

2014 DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL

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2013-2014 Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)

The Public Health Infrastructure is responsible for protecting Darke County's health and safety, providing credible information for better health decisions, and promoting good health through a network of partnerships. It is made up of the work force, information and data systems, and the state and local public health organizations across the country.

In the last 100 years, public health has increased life expectancy by 30 years through vaccinations, control of infectious disease, improved sanitation and many other activities. Today, this infrastructure lacks the capacity to respond quickly to public health threats. Whether it is the spread of the West Nile virus into new areas of the United States, an outbreak of E.coli 0157:H7, or a bioterrorism attack involving anthrax at an airport; the public health system has struggled to keep pace with these increasing demands.

The Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant (PHEP) for Bioterrorism (previously the PHIG) completed its twelfth fiscal year in June of 2014. The grant provides funding for a wide

range of public health initiatives, which are used to combat threats to public health. The grant provides the Darke County Health Department with funds to prepare for public health emergencies, which includes acts of bioterrorism. Emphasis is put on improving communication between the Darke County Health Department and key players in our West Central Ohio (eight counties) Region to develop, exercise, and implement Darke County's response plans and protocols. The program emphasizes the coordination of activities, a clear outline of responsibilities, and sharing of assets among hospitals, emergency management services, health care providers, state, local, and regional public health agencies, federal partners and others to prepare for and provide an effective response to public health emergencies. The funding also allows state and local health departments to hire and train personnel, as well as obtain equipment and other resources. The grant is categorized into target areas to improve capacity in planning. These areas include: epidemiology, laboratory, education & training, public risk communication & information dissemination, and expansion of current infrastructure, including the Health Alert Network. Some of the programs instituted allow for the following:

1. Integration of local, state, and regional public health and hospital preparedness and response capacity.
2. Initiating planning activities at the local level with a particular emphasis on creating local and regional plans that will link the efforts of hospitals, local health, physicians, nurses, emergency medical personnel and others.
3. Adding state capacity to provide critical centralized support services including laboratory analysis and development and maintenance of a statewide information technology system that will support the transmission of critical data at all times.
4. Establishing regional coordination of public health and hospital planning and response activities.
5. Creating the State Pandemic Flu Response Plan and implementing the vaccination clinics in compliance with the National Pandemic Vaccination Program.
6. Established a core group of hospital and public health personnel vaccinated against smallpox who are now ready to respond to a smallpox outbreak.

For additional information on preparedness or grant information, feel free to visit the Center for Disease Control's website at <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/>.

Dr. T.L. Holman, DVM, RS, Health Commissioner, heads the department of Emergency Preparedness for the Darke County General Health District. He is responsible for overseeing the grant and supervising the activities associated with the program.

Dennis Wein, RN, BSN, MPH is the Emergency Response Coordinator, Project Director, and is responsible for carrying out the activities associated with the PHEP Grant. He also is the Communicable Disease, & Tuberculosis Nurse, as well as the local Epidemiologist, which makes him responsible for investigating and reporting all mandated communicable diseases to the state of Ohio. Additionally, he is the advisor for the Darke County Unit of the Medical Reserve Corps.

Summary of the 2013-2014 Grant Year

Meetings attended by the emergency Response Coordinator and members of the Bioterrorism Preparedness Team of the Darke County Health Department:

Darke County LEPC meetings (quarterly)

Regional Epidemiology meetings (quarterly)

Medical Reserve Corps Member/Coordinator meetings (local - monthly) (regional – quarterly)

School Nurse Meetings (monthly - during academic year)
Regional Infectious Disease Surveillance Meetings (quarterly)
Regional Emergency Response Coordinator meetings (quarterly)
Regional Metropolitan Response System meetings (quarterly)
Ohio Department of Health *Investigation of Foodborne Disease Outbreaks* Training
Public Health OSU Summer Institute - Epidemiology Certification Completed
Incident Action Planning During Public Health Emergencies
Red Cross Instructor Training Certification
FEMA Course *Developing & Maintaining Local EOPs*

Training provided to the health department staff by the Bioterrorism team:

Bioterrorism Tabletop Drills & Exercises for the Health Department Staff: Regional Drill, Local POD Training, April Tap Clinic
Incident Command Training: ICS-100, ICS-200, NIMS-700
Monthly Staff In-Service (topics): BBP, TB In-Service, CPR, First Aid, HIPAA Law, MARCS Radio In-Service, COOP & Workforce Development Plans, Planet Lead, & Healthy Homes.

Education provided for the county/community by the Emergency Response Coordinator/Infectious Disease Coordinator:

Health Department Staff are 100% National Information Management System (NIMS) Compliant
Communication/IT Exercise with all Darke County Schools
Emergency Preparedness Trainings via the MRC setting for Darke County School Nurses.
Communicable Disease Trainings provided for several Child Care Centers in Darke County

Pharmaceutical Cache: The Darke County Unified Pharmacy Plans are continually in place and updated. All area pharmacists have signed the Memorandum of Understanding. While waiting for the Strategic National Stockpile to arrive, this plan ensures that hospital pharmacies as well as other retail pharmacies in the county will have the drugs and supplies they need to adequately meet the increased demand brought about by a terrorist incident.

Ohio Disease Reporting System (ODRS): This system can be used 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year (24/7/365) to report communicable diseases to the state. Our local Epidemiologist/Infectious Disease Nurse, Dennis Wein, enters all required disease data and monitors for new cases on a daily basis via this statewide system.

National Outbreak Reporting System (NORS): This enteric disease reporting system is supported by the CDC and assists in investigations of disease outbreaks.

Communications & Information Technology/Ohio Public Health Communication System (OPHCS) Alerts: This system addresses state efforts to provide information technology that will allow public health partners to exchange information and data quickly and securely. This system ensures effective communications between state and local public health agencies, hospitals, and emergency management. The health department provides 24/7/365 connectivity and communication between key players/stakeholders through cell phones, pagers, T1 continuous Internet connections, and telephone system. As of July of 2013, under the requirements of the PHEP Grant, the Darke County LHD now issues a quarterly OPHCS Alert to a select roster of LHD employees. The health department has in-house **MARCS** radios, which operates with 800-mtz capabilities.

OPHAN: This statewide electronic system tracks POD sites within every Ohio county and has a GIS function to calculate various points of interest about population demographics.

The Darke County Health Department disseminates information to the public quickly through the Health Departments website at www.darkecountyhealth.org as well as Facebook and Twitter.

Other: The Emergency Response Coordinator has also been actively part of the following community groups during 2014: Darke County Tri-Council, Area Agency on Aging PSA-2, Darke County Red Cross Functional Needs Assessment Committee, and the Darke County Hazard Mitigation Committee.

Conclusion: A high level of dedication and cooperation between state, local public health, and hospital staff, along with many other partners made it possible to meet this level of productivity in the eleventh fiscal grant period. In the upcoming grant year, we face the challenge of integrating public health with community awareness and individual responsibility in addition to maintaining our current relationships with hospitals, local health departments, pharmacists, and mass clinic sights. We plan to continue preparing to protect the citizens of Darke County during any public health emergency, including those resulting from an act of terrorism. We will build on the work we have begun in the previous years as well as implement new activities that bring us closer to a better-prepared Darke County, Ohio.

Accreditation

During the past few years a new project for many health departments across the nation has become the goal of ***Accreditation***. When each local and state health department achieves the coveted level of accreditation that was established by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB), they will have spent many months, possibly years, working towards the many required standards & measures that must be met and documented along the path to this great achievement. During 2014, the Darke County General Health District began the Accreditation Process by appointing an Accreditation Coordinator, initially Dennis Wein, RN and later changing to Tim Ellis, RN upon his hire in October. A seven member Accreditation Team was formed and monthly meetings were held. During this past year, the local health district received a PHAB Readiness Grant that was used to assist in the writing of our new *Workforce Development Plan*. As part of the grant requirement, this plan was presented at the State PHAB Conference in Columbus in September 2014. Work will continue throughout the next year by many employees to address the expectations of the 12 Domains of the Accreditation Process.

Community Health Nursing Services

The Community Health Nursing Services Division (CHND) of the Darke County Health Department provides public health services and educational programming for the citizens of Darke County. Jennifer Barga RN, BSN is the Help Me Grow Project Director and the Director of the Community Health Nursing Services. She is responsible for all nursing activities. Dennis Wein, RN, BSN, MPH is the Emergency Response Coordinator, Infection Control Coordinator, and Tuberculosis Control Nurse, & Epidemiologist. Tim Ellis RN is the Accreditation Coordinator, Nicole Lefeld, RN is the Coordinator for the Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps and Help Me Grow Service Coordinator, Sue Rismiller, RN is the Immunization Project Nurse. Kari Shuttleworth, RN is a HMG Service Coordinator, Nurse for the Bureau for children with Medical Handicaps, and a Newborn Home Visitor. Lisa Rodeheffer, LSW is a Help Me Grow Service Coordinator, Bev Born RN, is a nurse for the Bureau for Children, and

Ann Glidewell RN, is an Immunization Program nurse. Michelle Mader is the Nursing Division Secretary who supports all of the above programming. Marilyn Holman Administrative Assistant and Jody Hocker, Account Clerk III, Administrative Assistant 1, also provide secretarial support to the nursing division as needed.

The CHNS of the Darke County Health Department meets the communities health needs with various programs. These are as follows:

The Darke County Health Department in collaboration with Anthony Wayne Early Childhood, has implemented “**Help Me Grow Early Intervention**” a comprehensive service program for Darke County pregnant women and children from birth to 3 years of age. The goal of Help Me Grow is to assure that newborns, infants, and toddlers across Darke County have the best possible start in life. Through this state integrated program, funding is provided from the state general revenue funds and federal part C dollars to provide the following services:

- Provide home visits to assess the health of newborns and to help new parents by providing information on child development and community programs and resources;
- Provide early identification of children with developmental delays and information through screenings and evaluations.
- Promote family literacy and support parents as full partners in their child’s education.

Home Visiting

Ongoing services are provided to support a teen, first time expectant parent, children identified through children’s protective services, or any first time parent with risk factors whose baby is less than 3 years of age.

Early Intervention

The Early Intervention program is a system of providers who work together to provide early identification and family-centered services to infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities. The Early Intervention program also ensures children receive appropriate medical care and therapies, encourages parents to utilize community resources and services, and assists them with understanding the present and future needs of their children.

After the initial screening, if services are indicated referrals are made to Anthony Wayne Early Childhood. To schedule an appointment for a home visit or to ask questions about infant or toddler health, the dedicated phone line for “Help Me Grow” is **547-9392**. This is a 24-hour phone number, answered Monday through Friday between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. A message may be left on the answering machine after hours.

Statistics for January to December 2014

Home Visits

Home Visiting	145
Early Intervention	662
Prenatal	35

Newborn Home Visiting

The Darke County Health department offers free in home mother-baby visits to all new parents. This service includes a maternal and newborn assessment, includes a weight check, and information along with ongoing support if needed to help make the transition to parenthood more relaxed and enjoyable.

Visits 39

School Health

All Darke County school nurses and the health department infectious disease nurse meet monthly throughout the academic year at the Health Department to discuss school child health issues. These meetings provide in-services on issues pertinent to children from kindergarten through high school. The health department supports the Darke County School Nurses in their efforts to: implement the mandated health screening programs, manage the school's medication administration program, prevent the spread of communicable disease by assuring immunization law compliance of all students, provide care for the school district's ill and injured students, coordination of health service and education efforts with teachers, athletic directors, health educators, food service personnel, and collaboration with the community health care providers.

Immunization & Communicable Diseases

The immunization program continues to serve a large portion of the Darke County population. Clinics are held on Tuesdays from 8-10:30 am and 2-5:00 p.m. The CHNS Division continues to encourage all parents to have their children fully immunized by two years of age. Immunization statistics vary for specific vaccines from year to year due to the rapidly changing immunization combinations, introduction of new vaccines, and immunization practice changes.

Immunization summary

DtaP	101	Kinrix	104	Yellow Fever	13
Tdap	504	Polio	69	Typhoid	29
MMR I	65	Td	28	Twinrix	25
MMR II	117	Rotavirus	40	MMR adult	27
Menactra	65	Hep B child	55	Hib	172
Hep B adult	66	Hep A child	191	TB tests	479
Hep A adult	35	HPV	69	Varicella Adult	31
Varicella Child	196	Pneumovax	12	Zostavax	16
Prevnar	186	Flu	1200	Pediarix	98

Total Vaccines- (excluding flu) 3523

Clinic Attendance (Excluding flu clinics) 1774

Total Clinics held

Days-49

Evenings- 50

Communicable Disease Report

Class A & B Diseases:	Babesiosis	1	Influenza A & B (hospitalized)	23
	Campylobacteriosis	24	Listeriosis	1
	Chlamydia	107	Lyme Disease	6
	Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease	1	Meningitis, aseptic/viral	1
	Cryptosporidium	1	Pertussis	16
	E.coli – enterohemorrhagic (Not 0157:H7)	3	Rubella	1
	Giardiasis	1	Salmonellosis	6
	Gonococcal Infection	27	Shigellosis	1
	Haemophilus Influenzae	1	Streptococcal – Group A	2
	Hepatitis B, acute	7	Streptococcal – Group B	1
	Hepatitis B, chronic	3	Streptococcus pneumoniae	1
	Hepatitis C, chronic	34	Varicella	3
Total Class Cases: 272				

Collaborations

During 2014, the CHNS Division participated in collaborative efforts throughout the community to promote the health of Darke County residents. Nurses served on the following committees:

Darke County Mental Health Wellness & Recovery	County’s School Nurses
Intersystem Diversion Family Team	Darke County Red Cross
Early Childhood Coordinating Committee	FAME (Financial Assistance & Medical Emergencies)
Miami Valley Health Improvement Council	Local Nursing Home meetings
Family and Children First Initiative	CORSP
Domestic Violence Coalition	
Darke County Tri Council	

Intersystem Diversion Team

Visits were made by referral for children considered high risk for health problems, abuse, and/or neglect. The Health Department continued to cooperate with the Children’s Service Division of the Job and Family Services for consultation and joint visits. Active participation in the Intersystem Diversion Team (IDT) and Family Team Meetings involved attending case conferences for high-risk children and their parents.

Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps

The Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh) is funded from the combined resources of federal, state, and county governments. Services are available to residents of Ohio, under the age of 21, who are under the care of, or referred to, a BCMh provider physician. BCMh will cover all costs to the family during the testing (diagnostic program) of a child for a medical condition through BCMh providers regardless of family income. Once diagnosed, BCMh will pay for all medical expenses (treatment program) not covered by insurance or Medicaid if the family qualifies.

	Total active clients	243
	Total unduplicated contacts	238
	New Referrals	85
Programs:	Treatment	144
	Diagnostic	80
	Service Coordination	19

Preceptorships

Annually, Nursing Students from Edison State Community College, Wright State University, Indiana University and Ball State University utilized the Darke County Health Department as a clinical site for maternal child health nursing and community health assessment. During 2014 an Internship Experience was also hosted for a senior level Health Education Student from Ball State University.

AIDS Case Management

The CHNS Division in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Health HIV CARE Services Section and the Miami Valley Ryan White Consortium # 4 provide services to those requesting testing for HIV as well as those who are HIV positive and require case management. This consortium provides education within the community on AIDS prevention and understanding about the disease process. There were 13 clients served in Darke County for 2014. This represents 1.4% of the 957 clients enrolled in the AIDS Resource Center Ohio, which encompasses 6 counties surrounding Montgomery County. Services continue to be available for Darke County residents who can travel to the Dayton office.

Financial Assistance for Medical Emergencies (F.A.M.E.)

F.A.M.E. is a local non-profit organization funded by Darke County United Way and community donations, to assist persons who need emergency medical assistance or do not qualify for any other funding source. All requests are approved by the Nursing Staff on a rotating basis. F.A.M.E. responsibilities are shared with Family Health Social Services.

**FAME
Darke County Health Department - 2014**

Month	Unfunded	Funded	Average/Patient	Total Patients	New FAME	Repeat Patients	Encounters	Denied
January	\$259.00	\$1,764.99	\$119.06	17	5	12	14	9
February	\$86.85	\$1,346.26	\$102.37	14	6	8	12	5
March	\$0.00	\$1,352.03	\$112.67	12	9	3	13	12
April	\$175.00	\$691.18	\$108.28	8	5	3	14	4
May	\$419.00	\$752.90	\$130.22	9	6	3	15	8
June	\$0.00	\$88.02	\$22.01	4	2	2	4	9
July	\$26.29	\$437.23	\$66.22	7	4	3	9	11
August	\$0.00	\$1,445.67	\$131.43	12	7	5	15	8
September	\$479.00	\$696.78	\$130.65	9	6	3	13	4
October	\$40.00	\$1,427.75	\$97.86	15	9	6	26	5
November	\$351.58	\$729.02	\$180.10	7	4	3	9	4
December	\$60.00	\$731.27	\$98.91	8	8	0	8	5
Total	\$1,896.72	\$11463.10	\$93.96	122	71	51	152	84

Lead Program

Lead poisoning is the most common and preventable environmental disease affecting one out of every six preschool children. The State of Ohio mandates testing of the at risk population and requires the property be made safe. (Substitute House Bill 248)

2014 VITAL STATISTICS REPORT

Registrar: Terrence L. Holman, DVM

Deputy Registrar: Connie Shiverdecker

The Darke County Health Department Division of Vital Statistics records birth and death certificates for individuals who were either born or died in Darke County. The Birth and Death Records begin December 20, 1908 to the present date. The vital statistic office collects and reports statistics for the county. This information is used to determine trends in causes of death, health assessment, receiving funding in various forms, and genealogical purposes.

The Vital Statistics division and the Ohio Department of Health have implemented the Integrated Perinatal Health Information System and Electronic Death Registration System that allows birth and death certificates to be filed electronically.

Anyone wishing to deliver their baby at home must contact the vital statistics department and complete the proper forms to register their child.

The division also maintains Certificates of Service for people who have died in another state but are buried in Darke County.

The Darke County Health Department is now approved to issue birth certificates for individuals born in the state of Ohio. In the past, the customer had to go to the county in which the birth occurred.

BIRTH AND DEATH STATISTICS

BIRTHS	352	MALE	164	FEMALE	188
DEATHS	499	MALE	248	FEMALE	251
STILLBIRTHS	2	SETS OF TWINS	1	HOME BIRTHS	24

CAUSE OF DEATHS

Infectious & Parasitic Disease	9	Disease of the Genitourinary System	15
Disease of Immunity Disorder	15	Auto Accident	3
Neoplasm	96	Suicide	11
Disease of the Circulatory System	153	Disease of the Respiratory System	39
Other Causes of Death	80	Disease of the Nervous System & Sense Organs	38
Disease of the Digestive System	20	Other Accidents	11
Mental Disorders	9	Homicide Pending	0

DEATH BY AGE GROUP

Under 1 Year	2	25 – 44 Years	20
1 – 4 Years	0	45 – 64 Years	72
5 – 14 Years	0	65+ Years	401
15 – 24 Years	4		
Number of Burial Permits Issued (Local & Out of County)			477
Number of Affidavits Filed		(Birth) 6 (Death) 23	29
Number of Certificates of Service Filed			16
Number of Stillbirth Certificates Filed			2
Number of Certified Copies – Birth Certificates			1623
Number of Certified Copies – Death Certificates			1863

Environmental Services

The Environmental Division of the Darke County Health Department is responsible for many programs. The department aims to provide services that will protect the environment and improve the environmental factors that affect the health of the citizens of the Darke County Community. In 2014, the Environmental Division continued to be successful in keeping its state mandated programs on the state approved list.

Environmental Staff

Terrence L Holman, DVM, RS, Health Commissioner
Marilyn T. Holman – Administrative Assistant
Roberta Mangen, RS, MPH, Director of Environmental Health
Elizabeth Farver, RS, MS, GISP – Registered Sanitarian
Corrie Holthaus, RS- Registered Sanitarian
Sophie O'Connor, RS – Registered Sanitarian
Janel Hodges, RS – Registered Sanitarian – Resigned August
Megan Kaiser, SIT- Sanitarian-In-Training – Hired August; Intern (May-July)
Joe Nugent, CPI-Certified Plumbing Inspector
Bill Brown, CPI – Certified Plumbing Inspector
Connie Shiverdecker – Deputy Registrar
Teresa Plessinger – Environmental Secretary

*Marked below with an asterisk are those programs, which were surveyed and approved by the Ohio Department of Health, the Ohio Department of Agriculture, and/or the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

Environmental Programs:

***Private Water Systems:** provides services to protect the health and well being of individuals from consuming unsafe water and to protect the ground water supply. This program includes the permitting of wells drilled either for agriculture or for a residence. The well must meet certain distance requirements and installation requirements in order to protect the ground water and ensure a safe drinking water supply. This program includes the GPS mapping of existing and new well installations.

New Installation Permits Issued- 73 Alteration Permits Issued- 14 Sealing Permits-13

Inspections- 162 Consultations-234

Water Testing: provides water testing services to protect the health and well being of individuals from consuming unsafe water. It may include testing the water to see if it is the source of illness, a cause of concern, or in conjunction with the special service sewage program, human service daycare program, food service, or the well permit program. When contaminants are found, it includes the investigation of the well, possible upgrade of the water system, and/ or education materials provided to the users of the water system.

Satisfactory Bacteria- 211

Un-safe Bacteria- 29

Other samples-22

Un-safe E-coli-0

***Home Sewage Treatment Systems:** provides services to protect the community and the environment from disease or nuisances resulting from improper or inadequately treated sewage. This program includes the permitting and inspection of all new home sewage treatment systems

prior to operation, the investigation of reported malfunctioning septic systems and their subsequent repair or upgrade, the keeping of records regarding the septic systems, the GPS mapping of septic systems, the registration of septic system installers, haulers, and service providers. The program provides educational materials to the public on their systems and how to properly maintain them.

***Sewage Operational & Maintenance Program:** This program includes the operational permitting and inspection of existing sewage systems. It ensures the systems are working in accordance with their permits and provides information to the homeowner on how to maintain their system. The information gathered helps determine what system types should or should not be installed in Darke County: what works in the county from what does not and how new systems should be installed to prevent future failure.

Special Service Sewage & Well Inspections: provides services to homeowners when selling/purchasing a home or subdividing acreage from a home to ensure the septic systems are functioning and treating the septic waste, and there is adequate room for replacement of the septic system. It also helps to ensure a water supply that meets water quality standards for the residents of the property.

***Site Review:** The Health Department reviews applications for building homes on parcels of land. Lots are reviewed for septic system and well placement. This review helps address potential problems with proposed building sites.

Subdivision & Plat Review: as part of the Review Board, the Health Department reviews those parcels of land to be split that are 20 acres or less. The Health Department along with other agencies addresses potential concerns with proposed building sites before they become a problem. They also review existing home sites that are to be sub-divided from larger parcels of land to ensure that the septic system is approved and there is adequate room for septic system replacement.

Home Sewage Treatment System Statistics:

<i>New Installation permits issued- 32</i>	<i>Installers registered-36</i>
<i>Replacement system permits issued-42</i>	<i>Scavengers registered- 13</i>
<i>Alteration permits issued-40</i>	<i>Service providers registered-9</i>
<i>Operational permit inspections-555</i>	<i>Consultations- 1,769</i>
<i>Final Installation approvals-111</i>	<i>Field consultations-126</i>
<i>Other Inspections-49</i>	<i>Special Service Inspections-63</i>
<i>Site inspections-125</i>	<i>Investigations-42</i>
<i>Authorization to obtain a county building permit- 67</i>	

***Solid Waste Programs:** provides services to protect the public from disease or injury associated with the management of solid waste within the county. Individual programs include: Garbage Trucks, Rumpke Transfer Station, Rumpke Construction and Demolition Debris Facility, Scrap Tire Regulation, Closed landfills, Composting facilities, and Illegal dumping. The Health Department works closely with the Darke County Solid Waste District and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency in regard to these solid waste programs.

<i>Transfer Station</i>	<i>1 Licensed</i>	<i>Construction & Demolition</i>	<i>1 Closed</i>
<i>Closed Landfills</i>	<i>5 Closed</i>	<i>Compost</i>	<i>3 Facilities</i>
<i>Recycling Bin</i>	<i>1 Bin</i>	<i>Solid Waste Haulers</i>	<i>8 Companies</i>
<i>Scrap Tire</i>	<i>1 Facility</i>		
<i>Inspections-147</i>	<i>Investigations-7</i>	<i>Consultations-111</i>	<i>Letters-57</i>

***Manufactured Home Parks:** provides services to protect the health and well being of residents of manufactured home parks so they may not experience illness or injury related to the park environment. Although all manufactured home parks within the county are licensed by the Ohio Manufactured Home Park Commission, the Health Department has contracted with the Commission to inspect the parks.

Inspections- 10

Consultations- 30

***Recreational Camps:** provides services to persons utilizing recreational facilities so they are at a minimal risk of injury, disease, and vector exposure. Regulated camps are those subject to Chapter 3710-25 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

Licenses Issued: Permanent-7 Temporary-19 Inspections- 36 Consultations- 25

***Animal Bites and Rabies Control:** provides services to the residents of the Darke County community concerning animal bites. This program involves the receipt of reports of all individuals in the county bitten by animals, the quarantine of animals that have bitten individuals, the sending of animal heads to the Ohio Department of Health Laboratory, and the reporting of positive cases to the individuals involved. This program is important in preventing the possible spread of rabies, which can be a fatal disease.

<u>Animal bites:</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Submitted for testing</u>	<u>Positive</u>
<i>Cats</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Dogs</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>

Residential and Commercial Plumbing: provides services to ensure the proper installation of plumbing systems within the county. It includes the inspection and permitting of new plumbing systems and the registration of plumbers that perform work within the county.

Permits Issued: 177
Inspections: 438
Consultations: 1301

Registered Plumbers: 85
Appliance Installer: 5
Plan Reviews: 121

Tattoo operations: are licensed and inspected so ensure compliance with Chapter 3701-9 of the Ohio Administrative Code. In 2014, there were three operations in the county.

***Food Protection & Vending:** provides services to protect the health and well being of the public and consumers from foodborne illnesses. These services include the licensing and inspecting of food service operations (FSO's) and retail food establishments (RFE's) to ensure compliance with Chapter 901:3-4 and Chapter 3717-1 of the Ohio Administrative Code, investigations of foodborne illnesses, investigations of complaints against food service operations and food establishments, and education of the public and food operators on safe food handling practices.

Number of facilities:

FSO/RFE-221 Mobile Units-78 Temporary Operations-131 Vending-33

Inspections- 942 Consultations-433

***Grade A Milk Plastic Products:** the Health Department inspects facilities that make the plastic that is a component in containers for milk products. The facilities are checked quarterly for sanitation. Currently, there is one operation.

***Swimming Pools:** provides services that help ensure safe, clean swimming pool facilities for the general public so they may not experience illness or injury related to the swimming pool environment. All public swimming pools subject to Chapter 3701-31 of the Ohio Administrative Code are licensed and inspected by the Health Department. Inspections are conducted each month of the operation, and parameters such as residual chlorine, pH, alkalinity, water clarity, and safety are examined.

Licenses Issued- 16

Inspections- 71

Consultations- 29

Bathing Beaches: provides services that help ensure the safety of bathing beach facilities for the general public so they may not experience illness or injury related to the bathing beach environment. Inspections include safety and bacteriological testing. In 2014, there were five beaches licensed.

Premise Sanitation:

Nuisance Complaints: provides services that will reduce public health nuisances. The Health Department will investigate signed nuisance complaints provided the following information is included: a description of the complaint, location of the complaint, the name and mailing address of the individual or group the complaint is against, and how it is health related. Incomplete complaints or complaints that are not signed or health related are not investigated.

Healthy Homes: is a program to provide education to help individuals improve the internal environment of their home so that it is a healthy home. When requested, the health department will conduct a healthy home inspection to help an individual identify areas within their home that can be improved. A healthy home inspection will increase the occupant's awareness of any hazards present within the home, provide the occupants with tools and resources to remove those hazards, and promote the family's health by improving the condition of the home. Education on home safety, cleanliness, maintenance, and other issues will provide the occupant with the knowledge to make their home a place that supports wellness.

School Building Inspections: conducted twice a year. School buildings are checked for safety, sanitation, and play ground safety. There are 17 buildings within the county.

Jail Inspection: the county jail is inspected once a year to ensure it meets basic sanitation and safety standards to ensure the health and well being of the occupants.

West Nile: provides services responsible for the tracking of the West Nile Virus among the bird, mosquito, horse, and human population within the county. Numerous phone calls and investigations are conducted. Information is provided to the public on how to reduce their risk to the disease.

Premise Statistics:

Inspections-93

Consultations-353

Letters-78

Smoke Free Workplace Program: provides services to prohibit all forms of tobacco smoke in all public places and places of employment and in areas immediately adjacent to the ingress or egress of the public place or place of employment through Chapter 3794 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Investigations- 7

Consultations- 7

Letter sent- 11

Additional Duties Include

- Serving on the C.H.I.P. & C.H.I.S. Housing Advisory Committee (HAC) and the Darke County Metropolitan Housing Authority Continuum of Care
- Issuing orders for the correction of violations of regulations.
- Attending meetings and seminars sponsored by the Ohio Department of Health, the Ohio Department of Agriculture, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, and other entities for updates on new regulations and for acquiring education to maintain the required Sanitarian Registration and emergency response/ preparedness skills.
- Maintaining office records and reports.
- Holding public meetings and publishing news articles to inform the public of specific problems or programs.
- Collaborating with the Ohio Department of Health in the investigation of sources of physician verified lead poisoning in the children of Darke County.
- Collaborating with other governmental agencies

Other important accomplishments in 2014

- Added additional homes to the Sewage Operational & Maintenance Program (O&M).
- Scanned well, septic, plumbing files for remaining townships: Allen, Liberty, Jackson, Brown, Franklin, Monroe, and Mississinawa.
- Presented Crypto presentation at OEHA Conference & Warren County Conference
- Received ODA & ODH food training.
- Participated in Radiological Exercise and Accreditation meetings.
- Started accepting credit card payments.
- Sewage feasibility study by Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission for Wayne Lakes & Jackson Township.
- Swimming Pool program approved by ODH.
- Adopted OAC 3701-29 of the Ohio Administrative Code: Sewage Treatment Rules effective January 1, 2015.

DARKE COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH FINANCIAL REPORT

Jody Hocker manages the finances and accounting. She prepares vouchers, payroll, yearly reports, and data entry of all the various financial funds within the Health Department. Jody also provides secretarial support to other divisions as needed. Financial reports for the entire department and for individual programs are included as follows:

2014 DARKE COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2014	\$ 224,234.96
INCOME -	
Receipts and Other *	424,358.84
Townships (From taxation)	186,213.00
Villages (From taxation)	49,201.00
Greenville City	117,707.00
State Subsidy	<u>14,064.33</u>
	TOTAL INCOME \$1,015,779.13
EXPENSES -	
Salaries	412,923.65
Supplies	4,608.45
Equipment	1,665.68
Contract Service	9,095.50
Insurance Billing Fee	4,482.00
Insurance Patient Reimbursement	15.00
Travel	740.60
Mileage	7,377.30
Advertising	518.44
Public Employees Retirement	58,993.07
Workmen's Compensation	4,067.81
Ben Admin Fee	1,087.38
Life Insurance	348.60
Other Expenses	2,440.66
Hospital Insurance	49,867.34
Medicare Fringe	4,345.04
Postage	2,400.67
Telephones	8,594.56
Medical Supplies	80,871.05
Remit to state – Vital Statistics	47,988.28
Other Utilities	784.57
Membership & Dues	2,266.00
Equipment 300-1000	833.00
Liability Insurance	4,077.00
Unemployment Comp	00.00
Audit	00.00
Machinery & Equipment maintenance	5,069.00
Vehicle Fuel	421.86
Vehicle Maintenance	469.22
Property Insurance	136.31
Board Member Reimbursement	4,960.00
Training	12,982.62
Prior Year Refund	23.00
Advance Out	<u>46,000.00</u>
	TOTAL EXPENSE \$780,453.66
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2014	\$235,325.47

*Receipts - Plumber Registration, Plumbing Permits, Vital Statistics, BCMH, Other.

2014 FOOD SERVICE FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2014		\$ 11,021.96
INCOME -		
Receipts		<u>101,731.79</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	\$112,753.75
EXPENSES -		
Salaries		62,130.31
Remit to State		8,094.00
Lab Fees		559.85
Other		210.00
Travel		131.38
Training		523.78
Mileage		2,750.40
Public Employees Retirement System		8,479.57
Medicare Fringe		890.90
Workmen's Compensation		845.90
Hospital Insurance		8,671.28
Life Insurance		63.00
Supplies		874.78
Postage		738.49
Advertisement		00.00
Equipment \$300-\$1000		00.00
Mach/Equipment		00.00
Mach/Equipment Maintenance		850.00
Contract		763.87
Vehicle Fuel		500.80
Vehicle Maintenance		432.51
Property Insurance		136.32
Advance Out		<u>00.00</u>
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 97,647.14
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2014		\$ 15,106.61

2014 PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2014		\$ 15,917.76
INCOME -		
Receipts		<u>45,627.79</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 61,545.55
EXPENSES -		
Remit to State - New Wells		6,514.00
Lab Fees		5,886.76
Salaries		17,782.30
Hospital Insurance		4,368.73
Life Insurance		29.40
Other Expenses		183.00
Public Employees Retirement System		2,489.53
Medicare Fringe		254.28
Workmen's Compensation		183.89
Supplies		316.71

Advertisement	00.00
Contract	112.50
Postage	536.00
Mileage	2,534.85
Revenue Refund	130.00
Travel	385.00
Training	<u>00.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 41,706.95
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2014	\$19,838.60

2014 TRAILER COURT/CAMP FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE – JANUARY 1, 2014	\$2,006.62
INCOME –	
Receipts	<u>2,818.03</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 4,824.65
EXPENSES –	
Remit to State	870.00
Salaries	2,444.40
Public Employees Retirement System	342.22
Medicare Fringe	33.62
Hospital Insurance	00.00
Life Insurance	00.00
Other Expense	00.00
Travel	00.00
Mileage	00.00
Workman’s Compensation	34.27
Mach/Equipment	00.00
Supplies	00.00
Contract	90.00
Postage	<u>49.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 3,863.51
BALANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2014	\$ 961.14

2014 SOLID WASTE FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE – JANUARY 1, 2014	\$95,801.88
INCOME –	
Receipts	<u>33,252.05</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$129,053.93
EXPENSES –	
Salaries	26,159.36
Public Employees Retirement System	3,655.25
Hospital Insurance	00.00
Life	00.00
Workman’s Compensation	309.06
Medicare Fringe	379.64
Travel	00.00
Training	125.00
Contract	112.50

Mileage	1,538.10
Other	167.75
Supplies	46.99
Postage	<u>00.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$32,493.65
 BALANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2014	 \$96,560.28

2014 SWIMMING POOL FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2014	\$6,564.09
INCOME -	
Receipts	<u>5,989.27</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 12,553.36

EXPENSES -	
Salaries	7,091.22
Remit to State	1,130.00
Other Expense	00.00
Public Employees Retirement System	992.77
Hospital Insurance	00.00
Life Insurance	00.00
Workman's Compensation	14.78
Medicare Fringe	100.19
Supplies	00.00
Contract	90.00
Mileage	00.00
Travel	<u>272.62</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 9,691.58

BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2014	\$ 2,861.78
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2014 IMMUNIZATION ACTION PROGRAM

BALANCE – JANUARY 1, 2014	\$ 6,518.19
INCOME -	
Receipts	<u>14,791.14</u>
TOTAL	\$21,309.33

EXPENSES -	
Salaries	15,432.18
Public Employees Retirement System	2,160.50
Medicare Fringe	223.85
Workman's Compensation	117.94
Travel	186.75
Supplies	2,029.17
Equipment	00.00
Advertising	550.00
Postage	300.00
Hospital Insurance	00.00
Life Insurance	00.00
Other	<u>00.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$21,000.39

BALANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2014	\$ 308.94
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2014 HELP ME GROW

BALANCE – JANUARY 1, 2014		\$ 18,736.97
INCOME -		
Receipts		<u>180,236.84</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 198,973.81
EXPENSES -		
Salaries		128,164.51
Supplies		858.03
Travel		67.88
Training		00.00
Mileage		3,486.15
Other Expense		791.00
Public Employees Retirement System		17,901.41
Medicare Fringe		1,791.64
Hospital Insurance		17,575.39
Life Insurance		109.20
Members/Dues		2,100.00
Postage		206.15
Advertising		79.75
Workmen’s Compensation		1,325.69
Unemployment		00.00
Parent Stipend		00.00
Non Grant Donations – Cribs		366.91
Infant Visitation		86.40
Advance Out		<u>00.00</u>
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$174,910.11
BALANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2014		\$ 24,063.70

2014 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPARDNESS

BALANCE – JANUARY 1, 2014		\$ 9,742.43
INCOME -		
Receipts		<u>95,054.40</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	\$104,796.83
EXPENSES -		
Salaries		\$54,793.86
Medicare Fringe		679.86
Public Employees Retirement System		7,134.55
Hospital Insurance		6,437.89
Life Insurance		50.40
Equipment		2,027.00
Equipment 300>1000		00.00
Other		00.00
Mileage		724.05
Telephone		2,963.86
Postage		441.00
Contract		1,920.00
Supplies		1,613.38

Mach/Equip Maintenance		2,005.00
Training		00.00
Reimbursement		4,209.00
Advance		14,961.00
Transfer		00.00
Workmen's Compensation		<u>507.25</u>
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$100,468.10
BALANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2014		\$4,328.73
2014 SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS		
BALANCE – JANUARY 1, 2014		\$48,476.80
INCOME -		
Receipts		<u>\$191,540.63</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	\$240,017.43
EXPENSES -		
Salaries		84,910.35
Medicare Fringe		1,202.45
Public Employees Retirement System		11,150.16
Hospital Insurance		8,469.83
Life Insurance		50.40
Workmen's Comp		679.32
Supplies		1,343.57
Travel		498.05
Contract		202.50
Mach/Equip Maintenance		888.00
Advertising		110.97
Mileage		2,434.05
Postage		3,179.44
Other Expense		132.00
Mach/Equip		2,200.00
Revenue Refund		125.00
Prior Yr Revenue Refund		2,440.00
Remit to State		<u>1,850.00</u>
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$121,866.09
BALANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2014		\$118,151.34
2014 MEDICAL RESERVE CORP		
BALANCE – JANUARY 1, 2014		\$16,392.41
INCOME -		
Receipts		<u>\$ 00.00</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	\$16,392.41
EXPENSES -		
Safety/Supplies		00.00
Travel		00.00
Training		<u>775.43</u>
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 775.43
BALANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2014		\$15,616.98