

# OTTAWA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

## 2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS TO THE COMMUNITY

### WORDS FROM OUR LEADER:

Local Public Health is often misunderstood to be an organization that cares only for the disenfranchised and individuals who live on societies' margins. This is far from the truth. Public Health works toward community health benefiting all. Consider these Ottawa County statistics:

- One third of our residents obtain their water from a well,
- Almost 400 teen pregnancies occur annually,
- Each day four individuals are diagnosed with a communicable disease,
- 20 percent of toddlers are not fully immunized,
- 69 percent of 8th, 10th and 12th graders do not eat adequate fruits and vegetables, and
- Three out of five residents are either overweight or obese.

It is also important to consider the number of people who eat in our restaurants, play on our beaches, buy and sell homes, and shake the hand of a friend or colleague. These are all impacted by the work of the Ottawa County Health Department. Our residents are protected by our work without even realizing it.

The United States spends more on health care than any other nation. However, we are among the unhealthiest developed nations in the world. We are experiencing an epidemic of chronic disease and our health care costs have skyrocketed. A public opinion poll conducted in May 2009, under the auspices of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, found that Americans rank prevention as the most important health care reform priority. While health insurance is essential to pay for medical care, it is far more cost effective to prevent illness before care is required. The Ottawa County Health Department provides community-wide prevention and protection that is beyond the reach of the medical care system or health insurers. We keep food safe, detect and stop outbreaks of disease, and create conditions in the community that make it easier for people to make healthier individual choices and live healthier lives. Prevention works and our residents benefit everyday.

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Health Officer

### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Real Estate Evaluations	622
Drinking Water Samples Collected	1,304
Well Permits Issued	183
Well Inspections Performed	421
Septic Permits Issued	303
Environmental Complaint Investigations	80
Beaches Monitored for Water Quality	17
Resource Recovery Service Centers Customers	14,810
Gallons of Hazardous Waste Collected	13,260
Pounds of Solid Hazardous Waste Collected	60,059
Pounds of Pesticides Collected	15,552
Pounds of Recyclables Collected	452,000
Recycling Memberships	665
Food Inspections Conducted	1,831
Food Service Workers Trained in Food Safety	222
Food Service Complaints Investigated	99

### CLINIC HEALTH

Pregnancy Prevention Client Encounters	3,165
80% Uninsured • 96% Low Income	
Sexually Transmitted Disease Client Encounters	3,132
STD Treatment Administered	432
HIV Tests Performed	1,686
Communicable Disease Investigations	1,561
School Children Compliant with State Immunization Law	99%
Travel Clinic Client Encounters	869
Travel Immunizations Administered	2,549

### HEALTH PROMOTION

STD & Pregnancy Prevention Education Participants	2,681
Student Walking Program Participants	643
Designing Healthy Environments Participating Worksites	5
Nutrition Education Participants	280
Pounds of Produce Harvested from Community Garden	900
Retailers Complying with Youth Tobacco Sales Law	85%
Retailers Complying with Youth Alcohol Sales Law	92.6%
Responsible Beverage Service Training Participants	350
Mobile Dental Unit Exams, Assessments & X-Rays	3,009
Mobile Dental Unit Cleanings & Preventative Treatments	3,881
Mobile Dental Unit Restorative Services & Oral Surgeries	1,163
In-School Dental Sealant Screenings	299
In-School Dental Sealant Placements	1,043
Head Start Fluoride Varnish Screenings	101
Head Start Fluoride Varnish Applications	77

### COMMUNITY HEALTH

Maternal & Infant Health Program Visits	3,431
Children's Special Health Care Average Monthly Enrollees	904
Children's Special Health Care New Enrollees	223
Early On Program New Enrollees	90
Children Screened for Vision	18,902
Children Referred for Vision Follow-up	1,324
Children Screened for Hearing	14,085
Children Referred for Vision Follow-up	401

## WORTH NOTING:

- Completed the conversion to Insight clinical management software resulting in an efficient, secure and accurate data collection tool.
- Earned the Michigan Department of Community Health Director's Award for H1N1 influenza response during April of 2009.
- Accredited by the Michigan Department of Community Health and acknowledged for excellence in quality improvement, data use and research, relationship building and innovative technology.
- Modernized school communicable disease reporting system through miOttawa.org enhancing compliance and efficiency.
- Facilitated county research projects including the Youth Assessment Survey and a Body Mass Index Survey.
- Celebrated the retirement of four colleagues who collectively served the county for 76 years.
- Initiated an innovative social networking project to promote miOttawa.org/flu and encourage flu vaccination.
- Honored several employees earning individual recognition from the Michigan Environmental Health Association, Michigan Dental Hygienist Association, Society for Public Health Education, Michigan Association for Local Public Health, and the Ottawa County Mentoring Collaborative.

		2006/07 Actual	2007/08 Actual	2008/09 Actual	2009/10 Budgeted
<b>Financial Statement:</b>	<b>Revenues</b>				
	Licenses & Permits	\$362,473	\$392,769	\$404,832	\$414,342
	Intergovernmental Revenue	\$4,349,298	\$4,055,163	\$3,583,126	\$4,905,577
	Charges for Services	\$773,130	\$804,897	\$600,571	\$645,780
	Other Revenue	\$213,200	\$223,774	\$218,323	\$249,602
	County Transfer In	\$5,926,606	\$6,201,489	\$4,743,828	\$4,337,268
	<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$10,782,276</b>	<b>\$10,895,998</b>	<b>\$9,288,108</b>	<b>\$10,552,569</b>
	<b>Expenditures</b>				
	Personnel Services	\$6,374,861	\$6,525,928	\$6,238,359	\$6,545,750
	Supplies	\$1,756,591	\$1,780,394	\$1,151,064	\$1,690,783
	Other Services & Charges	\$2,217,205	\$2,191,313	\$1,906,772	\$2,395,791
	Capital Outlay	\$0	\$241,471	(\$8,087)	\$0
	County Transfer Out	\$0	\$1,300,000	\$0	\$0
	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$10,348,657</b>	<b>\$12,039,106</b>	<b>\$9,288,108</b>	<b>\$10,632,324</b>
	<b>Excess (Deficient) Revenues</b>	<b>\$433,619</b>	<b>(\$1,143,108)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$79,755)</b>
Full Time Employees	102.28	98.78	92.38	87.08	

Note: These figures do not include Jail Health Services

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