



# 2023

# ANNUAL REPORT

**Darke County General Health District**

300 Garst Avenue

Greenville, OH 45331

[www.darkecountyhealth.org](http://www.darkecountyhealth.org)



# A MESSAGE FROM THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER

*Jordan Francis, MPH*



*"A society grows great when old men plant trees under the shade of which they will never sit." – Greek Proverb*

Efforts to promote and protect the health and wellbeing of residents in Darke County have been ongoing for over one-hundred years. Throughout this time period, a procession of individuals working collectively to improve public health proverbially planted trees under the shade of which they would never sit. From organizing health boards in the early twentieth century to combat typhoid and tuberculosis, improve sanitation, and impact maternal and infant health, to addressing modern day epidemics, environmental health concerns, and social determinants of health in 2023 under the auspices of the Darke County General Health District, improving public health has always required collaborative effort by individuals willing to work toward health strategies the success of which may not be realized until generations later.

An article titled Health Board is Organized published in The Greenville Democrat on Wednesday, March 9th, 1910, gave formal notice to the public that Greenville's new health board, led by board president D.E. Horn, had made the following appointments: Dr. S.A. Hawes as Health Officer, Ben Devor as Sanitary Policeman, and John P. Lucas as Plumbing Inspector. In 1915, the same paper announced the hiring of Miss Jessie Chapman, of Columbus, as Greenville's Public Health Nurse. In 1926, the Darke County Health Unit was formed by the Boards of Health of Darke County and the city of Greenville, with Dr. M.E. Barnes from Montgomery, Alabama taking charge as Health Officer. By 1930, the Department of Health represented the combined interests of the city of Greenville and Darke County, setting the precedent for the current operation of the health department to this day. Although these early efforts to create local systems through which public health could be improved yielded immediate, successful results, long-term public health victories require unceasing, day-to-day provision of public health foundational services to ensure gains spanning generations are not lost.

The early historical beginnings of the Darke County General Health District prove that while institutions dedicated to public health, and the individuals within them, inevitably change over time, one unending constant is the willingness to invest in public health as a community for the benefit of future generations. In 2023, we continued this tradition of doing today what impacts tomorrow by working to improve childhood vaccination rates, ensuring our environment and the places we congregate are safe, and providing health education. In short, we continue planting trees to shade the next generation.

# MEDICAL DIRECTOR

**DR. SHERRY ADKINS, MD, MPH**  
FAMILY MEDICINE, FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES

# BOARD OF HEALTH

## 2023 DARKE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS

**DR. TIMOTHY KATHMAN** CHAIRMAN

**JAMES SCHAAR** VICE CHAIRMAN

**JEFFREY SUBLER** BOARD MEMBER

**KRISTA FOURMAN** BOARD MEMBER

**CURTIS YOUNT** BOARD MEMBER

**GARY GIERE** ALTERNATE

# STAFF

## 25 STAFF MEMBERS

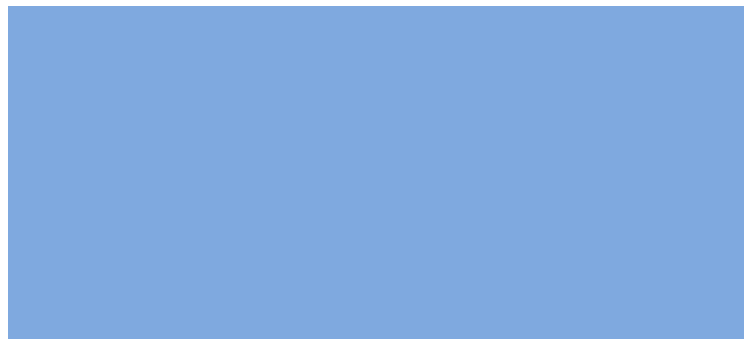
- 1 HEALTH COMMISSIONER 
- 2 DIVISION DIRECTORS 
- 6 ADMINISTRATION/CLERICAL 
- 6 REGISTERED NURSES 
- 6 SANITARIANS/SANITARIANS IN TRAINING 
- 7 CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES 
- 1 LACTATION SPECIALIST NURSE 
- 1 HEALTH EDUCATOR 
- 1 EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATOR/  
EPIDEMIOLOGIST 
- 1 IT SPECIALIST 



# STAFF



**NURSING DIVISION**



**ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION**



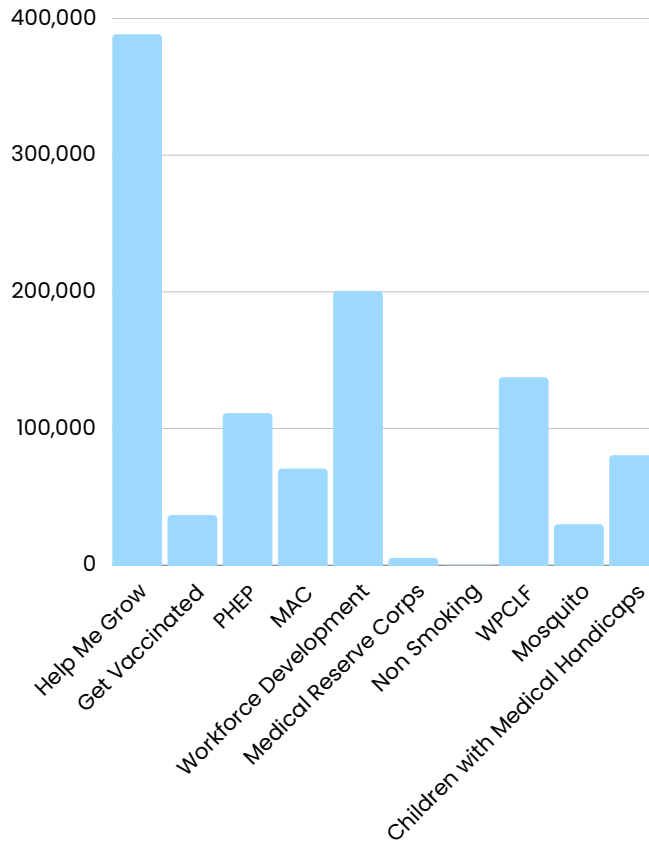
# FINANCES

## 2023 INCOME

### GRANTS

Help Me Grow	\$388,521.83
Get Vaccinated	\$36,709.00
PHEP	\$111,273.00
MAC	\$70,682.35
Workforce Development	\$200,619.46
Medical Reserve Corps	\$5,360.31
Non Smoking	\$125.00
WPCLF	\$137,526.88
Mosquito	\$30,000.00
Children with Medical Handicaps	\$80,530.00

### GRANTS



### OTHER INCOME

TWP/Vill	\$269,123.00
Greenville City	\$167,381.37
Tuberculosis	\$31,502.00

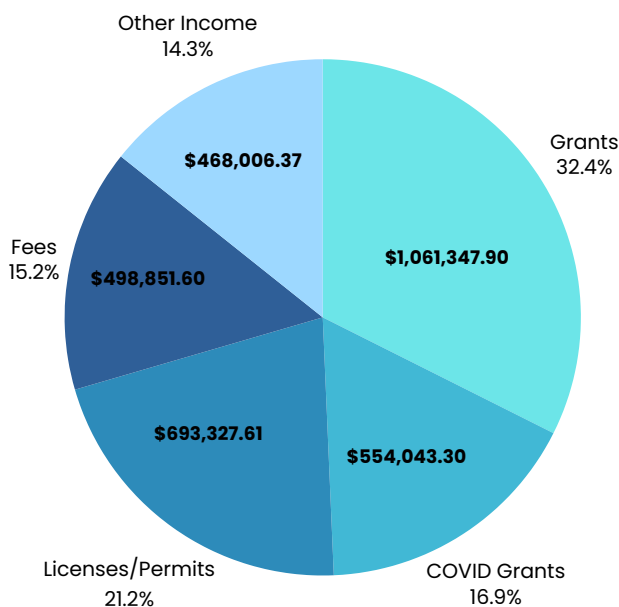
### FEES

Immunizations	\$126,739.15
Vital Statistics	\$84,697.00
General receipts & fees	\$19,479.81
Miscellaneous Refund	\$707.89
Salary/Benefit Reimbursement	\$27,195.49
Worker's Compensation	\$3,254.73
Advance In	\$201,798.72
State Subsidy	\$34,978.81

### COVID

Congregate Living Grant	\$224,984.77
COVID-19 Vaccination Grant	\$58,542.81
Enhanced Operations Grant	\$270,515.72

### 2023 INCOME BY CATEGORY



### LICENSES AND PERMITS

Campgrounds - Trailer Ct. Camp	\$5,300.85
Food Service	\$149,481.29
Private Water	\$54,491.05
Sewage	\$351,218.07
Solid Waste	\$38,100.00
Swimming Pools	\$7,825.35
Plumbing Permits and Registrations	\$86,911.00

# FINANCES

## 2023 EXPENSES

### LICENSES AND PERMITS

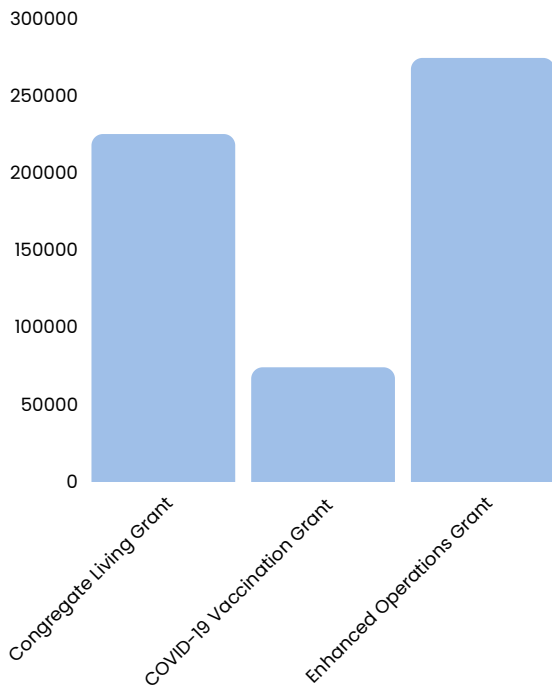
Campgrounds - Trailer Ct. Camp	\$6,967.17
Food Service	\$148,741.82
Private Water	\$56,685.22
Sewage	\$298,890.25
Solid Waste	\$35,873.74
Swimming Pools	\$7,663.46

### GENERAL HEALTH FUND

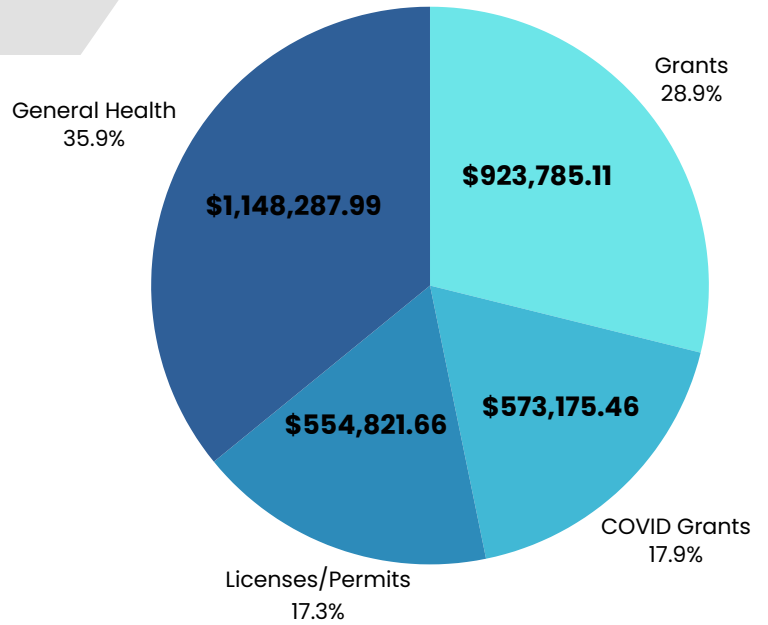
\$1,148,287.99
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### COVID

Congregate Living Grant	\$224,984.77
COVID-19 Vaccination Grant	\$73,915.58
Enhanced Operations Grant	\$274,275.11

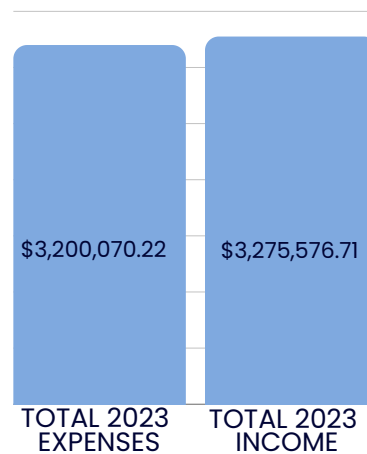


### 2023 EXPENSES BY CATEGORY



### GRANTS

Help Me Grow	\$448,846.66
Get Vaccinated	\$39,679.59
PHEP	\$87,499.57
Workforce Development	\$203,489.27
Medical Reserve Corps	\$4,942.52
WPCLF	\$108,565.50
Mosquito	\$30,762.00



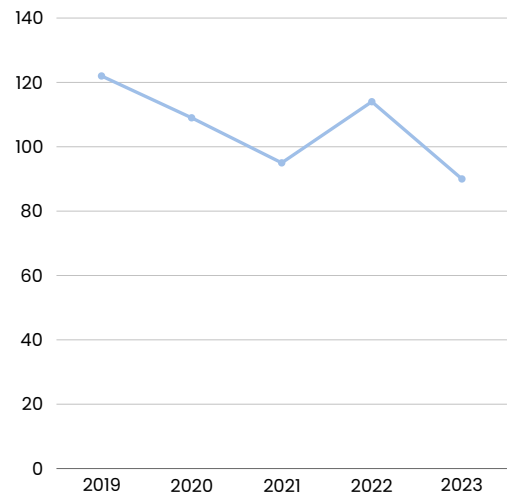
# DISEASE

## *statistics*

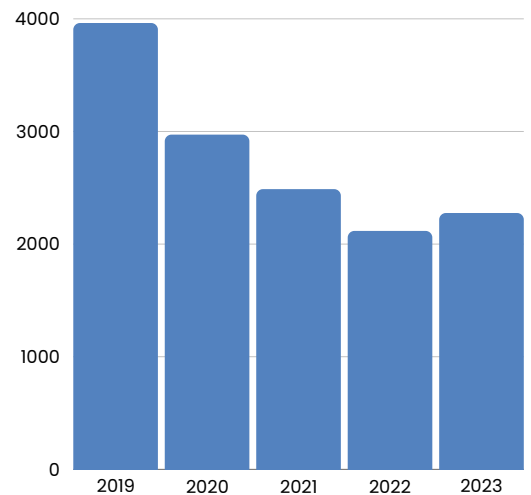
The following diseases were reported to the Darke County General Health District in 2023.

COVID	1351
C. AURIS	1
CAMPYLOBACTERIOSIS	3
CP-CRE/CPO	1
CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS	3
E. COLI	3
HEPATITIS C	26
LEGIONELLOSIS	7
SALMONELLOSIS	6
STREPTOCOCCAL DISEASE, GROUP A	6
TUBERCULOSIS	1
HAEMOPHILUS INFLUENZAE	1
HEPATITIS B, PERINATAL	1
HEPATITS B, CHRONIC	5
INFLUENZA-ASSOCIATED HOSPITALIZATION	14
MUMPS	4
PERTUSSIS	19
STREPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIAE	11
VARICELLA	3
CHLAMYDIA	90
GONORRHEA	24
SYPHILLIS	2
LYME DISEASE	1
MALARIA	1

**CHLAMYDIA CASES 2019-2023**



**IMMUNIZATIONS GIVEN 2019-2023 EXCLUDING COVID-19**



SOURCE: OHIO DISEASE REPORTING SYSTEM



# NURSING DIVISION

*highlights*



**INFANT IMMUNIZATION WEEK AND CRIBS FOR KIDS DISPLAY IN BUILDING LOBBY**



**HELP ME GROW HOME VISITING AND EARLY INTERVENTION STAFF AT THE 2023 CHRISTMAS PARTY**



**CASEY, IMMUNIZATION RN, ADMINISTERING VACCINE**



**STAFF DRESSED AS SNOW WHITE AND THE 7 DWARFS FOR HALLOWEEN TUESDAY CLINIC**



**CONDOM DISTRIBUTION CENTER IN NURSING DIVISION LOBBY**



**HELP ME GROW AND EARLY INTERVENTION CLIENTS AND STAFF DOING A PARACHUTE ACTIVITY**



# NURSING DIVISION

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## 2023 BY THE NUMBERS



**26**

CRIBS DISTRIBUTED



**975**

EARLY INTERVENTION HOME VISITS



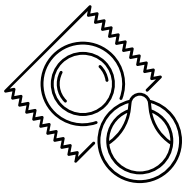
**224**

EOY CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL HANDICAPS CLIENT CASELOAD



**826**

HELP ME GROW HOME VISITS



**3,076**

CONDOMS DISTRIBUTED



**63**

NARCAN KITS DISTRIBUTED



**176**

TB TESTS

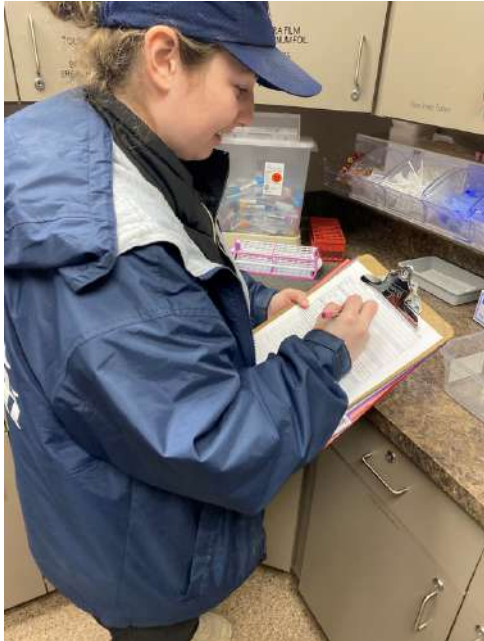


**21**

FAME CALLS

# ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION

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**ABBY, REHS, COMPLETING AN INFECTIOUS WASTE INSPECTION**



**ZACHARY, REHS, PERFORMING A LEACH FIELD SEPTIC INSPECTION**



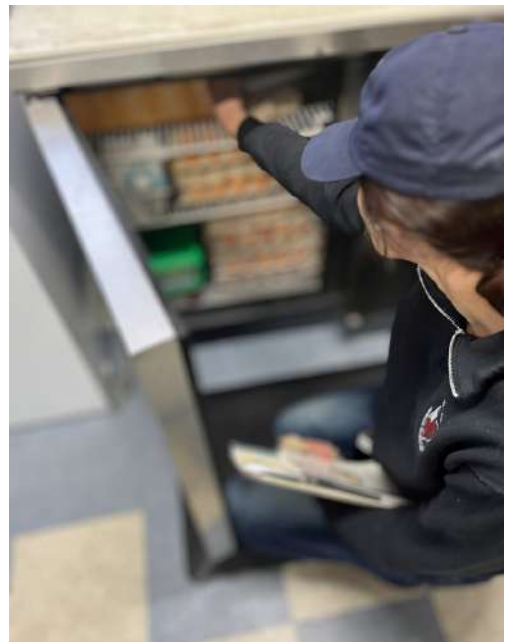
**PAIGE, 2023 SUMMER INTERN, IN THE FIELD SURVEYING MOSQUITOES**



**CLEANING KIT FOR HOMES WITH ELEVATED LEAD LEVELS**



**KIM AND TONYA, ENVIRONMENTAL SECRETARIES, ENTERING RABIES INFORMATION**

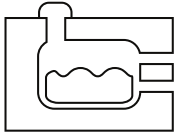


**CAITLIN, REHS, ENSURING PROPER FOOD STORAGE DURING A RESTAURANT INSPECTION**

# ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION

*highlights*

## 2023 BY THE NUMBERS



**105**

NEW SEWAGE OR SEWAGE ALTERATIONS



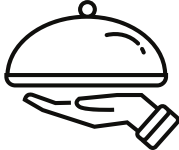
**2,884**

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS AND REINSPECTIONS



**27**

NEW HOME BUILDING SITE APPLICATIONS



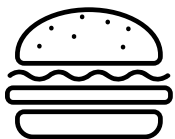
**474**

FOOD SERVICE OPERATION/RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTIONS



**194**

MOBILE FOOD SERVICE INSPECTIONS



**126**

TEMPORARY FOOD SERVICE INSPECTIONS



**151**

TOTAL NUISANCE INSPECTIONS



**103**

COMPLAINTS FILED



# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

*highlights*



**DISTRIBUTING CONDOMS AND STD/STI EDUCATION AT WALGREENS**



**EMPOWERING YOUNG WOMEN IN DARKE COUNTY TO ENTER THE STEM FIELD AT THE IMPACTI STEM2D CONFERENCE**



**ANNUAL NO-COST-TO-FAMILIES IMMUNIZATION CLINIC FOR 6TH AND 11TH GRADERS**



**PREPPING FOR THE VOLUNTEERS AT THE ANNUAL DARKE COUNTY TRASH BASH**



**BED BUG PRESENTATION AT BOARD OF DD ADVOCACY IN ACTION MEETING**



**ANNUAL SEWAGE EDUCATION TO LOCAL SEWAGE CONTRACTORS**

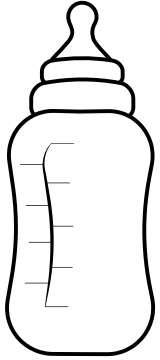


**IMMUNIZATION BILLBOARD**



# VITAL STATISTICS

## highlights



**597**

**BIRTHS  
RECORDED**

**305  
MALES**

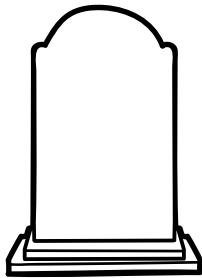
**292  
FEMALES**



**OLDEST MOTHER 44  
YOUNGEST MOTHER 16**

**578**

**DEATHS  
RECORDED**



**308  
MALES**

**270  
FEMALES**

**29**  
SETS OF  
TWINS

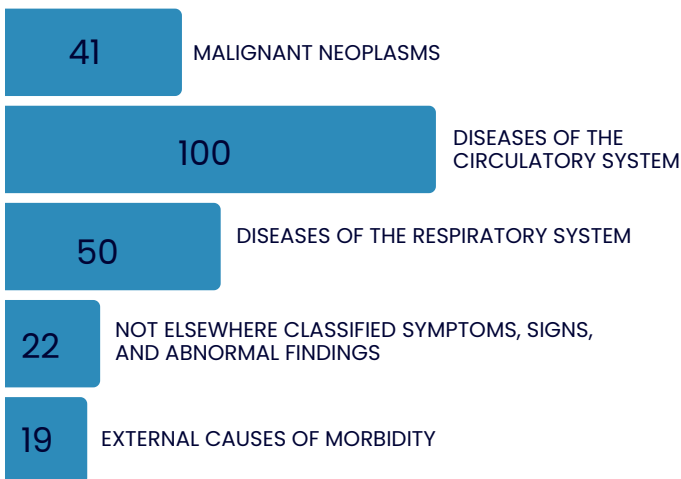


**187** DARKE COUNTY BIRTHS  
**359** OUT-OF-COUNTY BIRTHS  
**51** OUT-OF-STATE BIRTHS

### 2023 DARKE COUNTY DEATHS

Category	Men	Women
Natural Causes	280	258
Accidental Death	17	7
Suicide	10	2
Homicide	1	3

### TOP 5 CAUSES OF DEATH IN DARKE COUNTY MALES 2023



### TOP 5 CAUSES OF DEATH IN DARKE COUNTY FEMALES 2023

