



Franklin County  
**Public Health**

# 2024 Annual Report

A Community-Centered Approach to Public Health







Dear Community Members,

On behalf of the Franklin County Board of Health, our staff, and in service to the more than 500,000 residents served by Franklin County Public Health (FCPH), we are proud to share the release of the Franklin County Public Health 2024 Annual Report.

Public health continues to provide a strong value to our residents and the many stakeholders we work with across our health jurisdiction. Our mission is clear: to protect and improve the health of our community. In 2024, we had the unique opportunity to demonstrate our commitment to that mission by meeting nationally recognized standards. FCPH was reaccredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board which includes a rigorous review of our plans and operations. It also reaffirms our commitment to quality improvement and fiscal responsibility.

This past year, the agency took steps forward in the use and sharing of data to our community, expanding transparency and informing decision making. The 15 cities, 17 townships and 9 villages we serve can now view their own unique surveillance and FCPH program information. To expand our programs and services, FCPH is grateful to have secured additional grant funding from federal and state agencies as well as the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. Many of our offerings can now be more easily accessed online via our enhanced website or visitors can tune into our new “Health is Real” podcast for a fun and approachable take on all things public health.

From a planning standpoint, we continue the implementation for our Community Health Improvement Plan with more than 100 partners. We remain focused on the five identified priority areas, basic needs, including housing and food safety mental health and addiction, maternal and infant health, racial equity and environmental health. FCPH and our partners work to keep the expanded social determinants of health at the forefront of our activities and align with many collective impact initiatives across Franklin County. We are proud to acknowledge staff from FCPH serve in leadership roles with Celebrate One, the Columbus and Franklin County Addiction Plan, Immunization Coalition of Central Ohio, Ohio Environmental Health Association, the Ohio Public Health Association and many others.

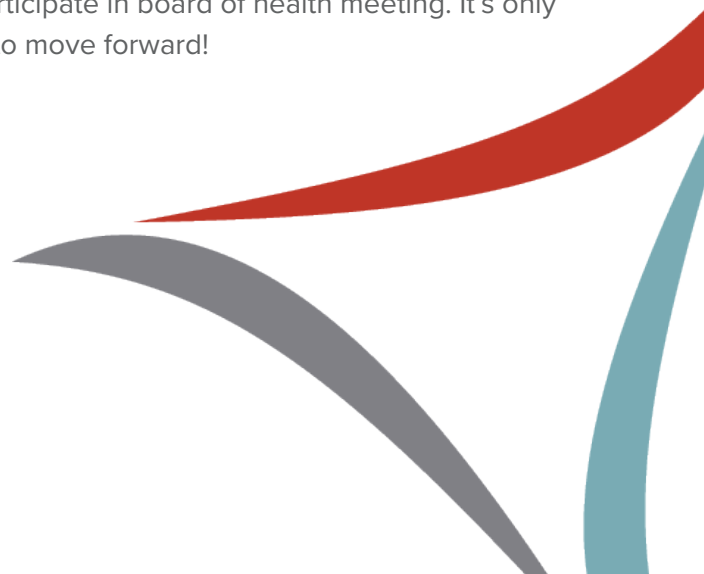
Looking back at the last year, we are extremely proud of our achievements and the groundwork that we built for the year ahead. As we start 2025, FCPH has a new strategic plan to guide us. We will continue to look for ways to improve and enhance how we work to improve the health of our community. To that end, please reach out to our office, attend one of our events or participate in board of health meeting. It's only with your engagement and partnership that we will continue to move forward!



Clint Koenig, MD, MA, MSPH  
*President, Board of Health*



Joe Mazzola, MPA  
*Health Commissioner*



# Equity as Our North Star

## 6 FCPH Townhalls and Trainings

### 2 offerings of Collaborating in the Presence of Differences Training for 50 staff members

#### ► February 2024

Sponsored Black History Month Event in partnership with Columbus Public Health (CPH) and other local organizations held at the King Arts Complex

#### ► May 2024

Partnered with Center for Cancer Health Equity, The Ohio State University to support the Asian Pacific Islander Desi American communities lecture series on equity

#### ► June 2024

Sponsored City of Reynoldsburg Juneteenth Festival Event

#### ► September 2024

Supported the Ohio Chamber of Commerce 2024 DEI Summit

#### ► October 2024

Presented at the County Commissioners DEI Conference in October

#### March 2024

Women Advocating for DEI Panel Discussion facilitated by Mosaic Education Network

#### June 2024

LGBTQ+ Inclusion, featuring Zac Boyer of Stonewall Columbus

#### September 2024

Understanding and Addressing Microaggressions in the Workplace facilitated by Kimberly Brazwell of Kimistry LLC

#### December 2024

Topic of generational differences in the workplace facilitated by Space Creator LLC





## Administered eight (8) \$25,000 contracts for Equity Advisory Council (EAC) membership organizations.

In existence since 2020, the **EAC** has over **50** dedicated, cross-sector member organizations who have committed to advancing all things equity.





# Environmental Health

## Sustainability

18

Healthy Homes inspections

49

Lead clearances

Community  
Engagement

1,300

summer safety  
kits distributed

## Community Environmental Health

110

Body Art Permits Issued with promising inspection rates and minimal complaints

1,300+

Public Pools, Spas, and Special Use Pool inspections completed

554

Animal bite incidents investigated

61

Animals tested, with two bats testing positive for rabies



## Plumbing and Medical Gas

4,483

Total Permits Issued  
(FCPH and City Issued)

9,682

Inspections Conducted



# Environmental Health

## Water Quality

IDCP Program 2024, as of 12/31/24:

14

Participating in  
IDCP (working list)

22

Evaluated &  
not qualified

1

Completed Sanitary  
Sewer Connections



4,066

Septic System Observations

112

Sewage Complaints Investigated

Permits Issued:

61

Household Sewage  
Treatment Systems

144

Private Water Systems



## School and Food Safety

6,196

Total Inspections Conducted

17,163

Total Food Violations

11,018

Non-Critical Food Violations

186

Foodborne Complaints  
Investigated

409

Schools Inspected





# Prevention and Wellness

## Immunization Team

**2,307**

Unique clients served

**3,970**

Vaccinations administered

- 397 COVID-19 vaccines
- 326 flu vaccines



## Complex Medical Help Program

**6,500**

Families served

**106**

Safe sleep assessments conducted

**173**

Home visits completed

**34**

Portable cribs distributed

## Beautiful Beginnings Home Visiting Program

**46**

Pregnant, postpartum individuals  
& their families served

**92**

Safe sleep assessments  
conducted

**114**

Home visits completed

**16**

Portable cribs distributed



## Infectious Disease Team

**11,524**

Reportable disease cases  
received & processed

### Top 3 disease types reported:

- COVID-19 (7,544)
- Sexually transmitted infections (2,612)
- Enteric diseases (442)

[idrsinfo.org](http://idrsinfo.org)



# Health Systems & Planning

## Behavior Health and Addiction Services

**20,000+**

Naloxone kits distributed

**155**

Peer Support linkages

**14**

Overdose Data to Action  
subgrantee awards

**1,627**

People served by outreach

**1,211**

Safer sex kits distributed

**404**

Go-Kits distributed

**336**

People formally trained in  
naloxone administration

**2,206**

Naloxone doses supplied  
to First Responders

Awarded  
**12**  
grants

(local, state, and federal) totaling  
**\$1,666,109.61**



## Community Health Worker (CHWs)

**780**

Clients receiving CHW services

**7,381**

Unique pathways completed

### Transitional Housing Pilot Program

**63**

Residents referred

**620+**

Pathways initiated

**23**

Residents secured  
permanent housing

### Emergency Housing

**90**

Families connected

**30**

Families receiving  
temporary housing

**65**

Families offered  
permanent housing



# Health Systems & Planning

## Community Engagement & Health Promotion

89

Community outreach events

22

Produce markets

400

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) boxes distributed



11,424

Engagements with community members through outreach events



## Emergency Preparedness

- ▶ During the 2024 calendar year, the Stop the Bleed program trained a total of **258 individuals**
- ▶ Regional Public Health Coordinator (RPHC) responded or conducted information sharing for the **9 public health incidents**
- ▶ Successfully distributed **160 emergency preparedness kits** to older adults in need through AARP Community Challenge grant

Produce Markets Served

11,942

Individuals





# Office of Epidemiology and Data

2024 was the Office of Epidemiology & Data's **first year**. The team expanded to **12 staff members** and collaborated with every division and office at FCPH.



**175+**

Data requests completed

Nearly

**15%**

of data requests  
were completed for  
external partners

Franklin County  
Public Health Data Hub:

**35,000+**

Item views

**Launched**

- ✓ Climate & Health page
- ✓ About Your Community dashboard

**10,000+**

Franklin County CARES  
Page views

Attended

**7**

Local & national  
conferences

Community-Facing Data:

**40,000+**

Item views

**Cross-Division  
Collaboration**

All division dashboards  
launched



# Communications

## Guardians of Good Health



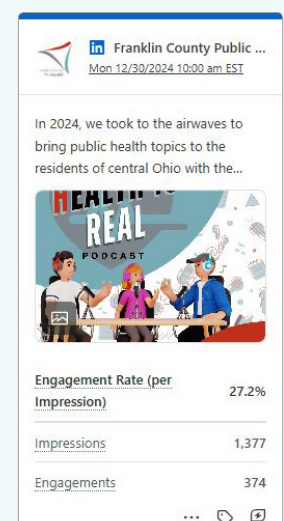
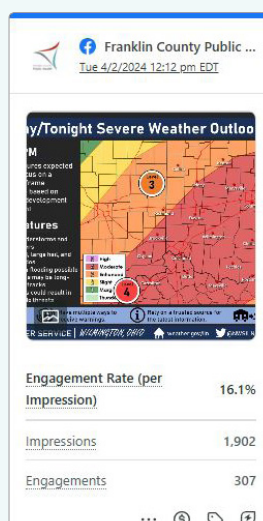
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**11+ million  
impressions**

for digital assets



## Social Media: Top Engagement Posts





# Communications

429

Completed  
creative requests

47

Staff business  
card orders  
completed

10,000

Envelopes  
ordered

Recover For Life  
Media Buy

5+ million  
impressions



## Podcast

335

Podcast downloads

9

Episodes published

6

Internal guest appearances

6

Available platforms

(Apple Podcasts, Spotify,  
iHeart Radio, Amazon Music,  
YouTube, and myfcph.org)

2

External guest appearances



# Human Resources & IT

## Human Resources

- ▶ Began 2024 with 155 employees, 31 new employees, 35 employees left, end of year total was **151 employees**
- ▶ **14 Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)** completed
- ▶ **36 Responses** to customer service survey

**2,400**

Applications received



**14**

People earned promotions

**11**

Staff utilized AOHK tuition reimbursement

## Information Technology

**823**

Tickets submitted

**60**

Hours of Board support provided

**12**

Data center touch base meetings

**13**

New hire orientation sessions conducted

**3**

TEAMS rooms successfully implemented

**100**

Laptops imaged

**818**

Tickets resolved





# Board of Health & Finance

## Board of Health



*President*  
*Clint Koenig, MD,*  
*MA, MSPH*



*Vice President*  
*Thomas Rudge Jr.,*  
*Ph.D.*



*Roy Barnewall,*  
*DVM*



*Sally Morgan, MS,*  
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*ACNS-BC*



*Latisha Chastang,*  
*MNML*

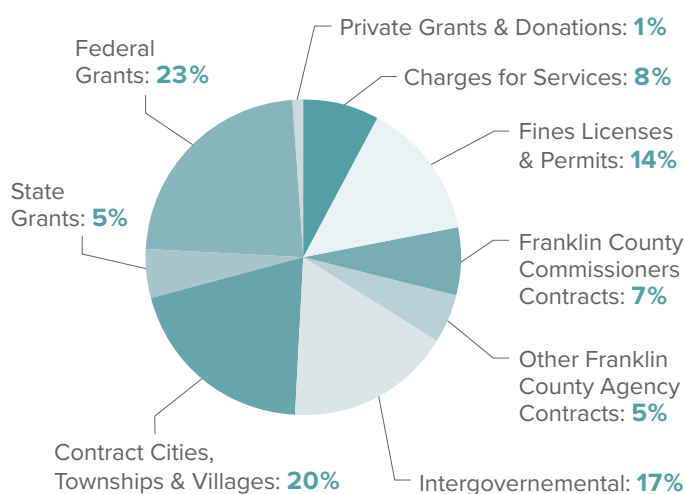
FCPH is governed by a five member board that has fiduciary authority over the budget and is the policy-making, rule-making and judicatory body for FCPH. The Board of Health (the Board) consists of five members, who are appointed by the District Advisory Council (DAC) for a five-year term. The Board elected Dr. Clint Koenig to serve as Board President.



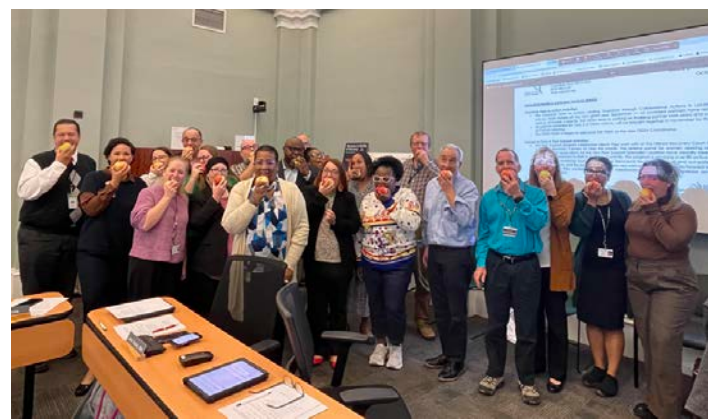
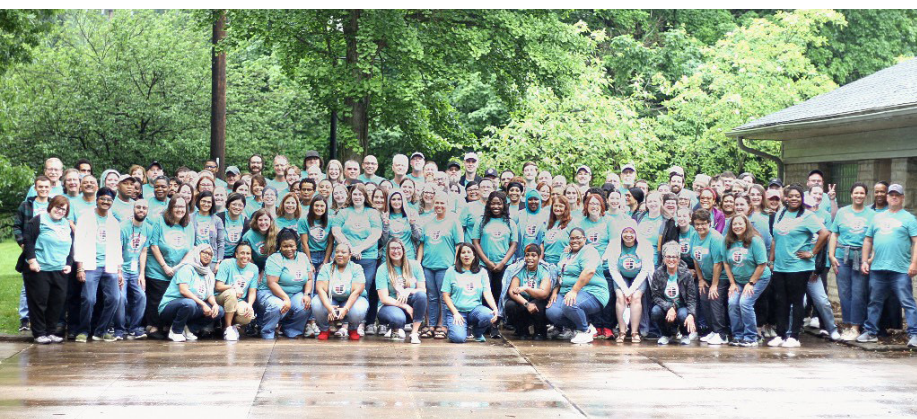
*Miller Sullivan, MD*  
*Medical Director*

## Finance

Charges for Services	<b>\$1,939,533.00</b>
Fines Licenses and Permits	<b>\$3,294,078.00</b>
Franklin County Commissioners Contracts	<b>\$1,545,985.81</b>
Other Franklin County Agency Contracts	<b>\$1,118,389.89</b>
Intergovernmental	<b>\$4,033,757.30</b>
Contract Cities, Townships and Villages	<b>\$4,791,032.48</b>
State Grants	<b>\$1,152,355.03</b>
Federal Grants	<b>\$5,484,082.49</b>
Private Grants and Donations	<b>\$301,698.00</b>













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