

The logo for Franklin County Public Health features three curved, overlapping shapes: a red one at the top, a dark grey one in the middle, and a teal one at the bottom, all pointing towards the right.

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The background of the cover is decorated with geometric patterns of triangles. In the top right and bottom right, there are large, light blue-grey triangles pointing upwards, each containing a white grid of smaller triangles. In the bottom left, there are smaller, reddish-brown triangles pointing upwards, also containing a white grid of smaller triangles. The text is centered in the white space between these patterns.

2015 Year-End Report

Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) improves the health of our communities by preventing disease, promoting healthy living and protecting against public health threats through education, policies, programs and partnerships.



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FCPH Highlights:

- Applied for Public Health Accreditation.
- Implemented new data systems for improved efficiency.
- Invested in staff training to assure a qualified workforce.
- Presented best practices at local, state and national conferences.
- Monitored travelers from West Africa for symptoms of Ebola.
- Increased promotion of FCPH programs and services.
- Hosted a monthly Public Health Connection Call with partners and stakeholders.
- Implemented Quality Improvement projects and customer satisfaction surveys.

FCPH Strategic Goals:

- 1) Promote Health and Prevent Disease.
- 2) Build Relationships.
- 3) Emphasize a Culture of Continuous Quality Improvement and Customer Service.
- 4) Achieve and Maintain Public Health Accreditation and a Competent Workforce.

FCPH operates as a full-service health department serving 14 cities, 17 townships and 9 villages in Franklin County.

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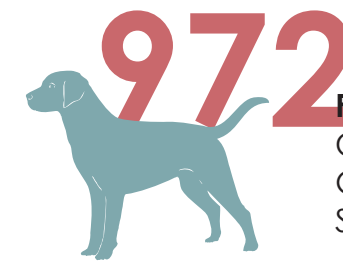
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In 2015, Franklin County Public Health collected \$7,487,643 in revenues and had \$6,458,992 in expenditures. Over 81% of all expenditures were for personnel and fringe benefits. Other major expenditures included contracts for services, trainings, materials and supplies. Major revenue sources included fees, charges for services, intergovernmental contracts and grants.



Staff investigated 643 animal bites and rabies exposure events in 2015. While most bites/exposures resulted from dogs, we also investigated animal bite/exposures from cats, raccoons, bats and even an opossum and a ferret.

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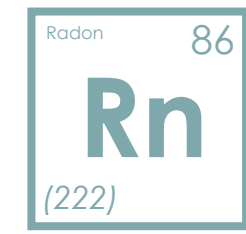


972 **FCPH provided 972 low-cost rabies immunizations for dogs and cats.** Clinics were held at the Franklin County Fairgrounds, Windsor Park in Grove City, Huber Park in Reynoldsburg and the Franklin County Dog Shelter.

A total of 834 public pools, spas and special-use pools were inspected to assure water quality standards, safety requirements and the overall condition of the facility are being properly maintained.

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A total of 488 radon test kits were distributed to Franklin County residents.



Radon is the second leading cause of cancer in the U.S. The only way to find out if you have elevated radon levels in your home is to conduct a simple test.

There are 31 licensed body art facilities in FCPH jurisdictions. Each was inspected for general cleanliness, sanitation and staff training in first aid, control of bloodborne pathogens and proper aftercare.

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FCPH conducted inspections at 194 public and private schools to assure a healthy and clean environment is maintained for students, teachers and staff.

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In order to assure all licensed solid waste, infectious waste and construction & demolition debris facilities are in compliance with applicable rules and laws, **staff conducted over 100 inspections at these types of facilities.**

As we strive to eliminate sewage nuisances and illicit discharges to our storm sewers, ditches, waterways and on the surface of the ground, **a total of 282 sewage complaint investigations were conducted.**





It was a busy mosquito year!

111,401 mosquitoes were trapped; 131.5 acres were larvicided; 3,065 road miles were sprayed; and 575 service requests were addressed.

While 104 pools of mosquitoes tested positive for West Nile virus, there was only a 4.24% infection rate. There were 3 human cases of West Nile virus in Franklin County 2015.



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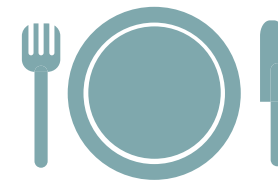
The FCPH plumbing inspectors conducted **4,691 residential and 2,582 commercial plumbing inspections.** They also inspected 480 hot water heaters and 40 medical gas systems, which add up to a total of 7,793 inspections in 2015. Additionally, they performed 434 plan reviews.

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The Healthy Homes staff provided **lead paint inspections,** risk assessments, work specifications and clearances.



Lead can be found in older homes and apartments from numerous sources like lead-based paint, soil, household dust, drinking water and products such as painted toys, furniture and jewelry or even some pottery, porcelain, crystal and cosmetics.



To protect the community against foodborne illnesses resulting from health code violations and improper handling of food, the **FCPH Food Safety Program conducted 6,654 inspections.**

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Grocery stores, food vending machines, mobile food operations, schools, daycare centers, restaurants, and hospitals are just a few of the operations inspected on a regular basis.

Congratulations!

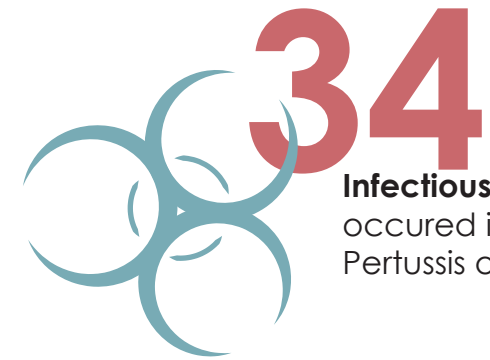
A total of 520 operations won the Gold Medal Award for the 2014 licensing year (March 2014 – February 2015). These operations completed the licensing year with no violations during routine inspections and met the standards of the Food Safety Program.

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An outbreak is an increase in the number of cases of a disease above what is normally expected in that population in an area.



Infectious Disease staff investigated 34 outbreaks. Outbreaks mostly occurred in settings like daycares, schools or assisted living facilities. Pertussis outbreaks ranked the highest with a total of 10.



Immunization nurses gave a total of 7,255 childhood and 425 adult vaccinations at 209 different outreach clinics.



Public health nurses in the Children with Medical Handicaps Program have enrolled 4,611 families in the program and worked on their cases 11,457 times in 2015. They also conducted 49 safe sleep assessments for families with young babies.



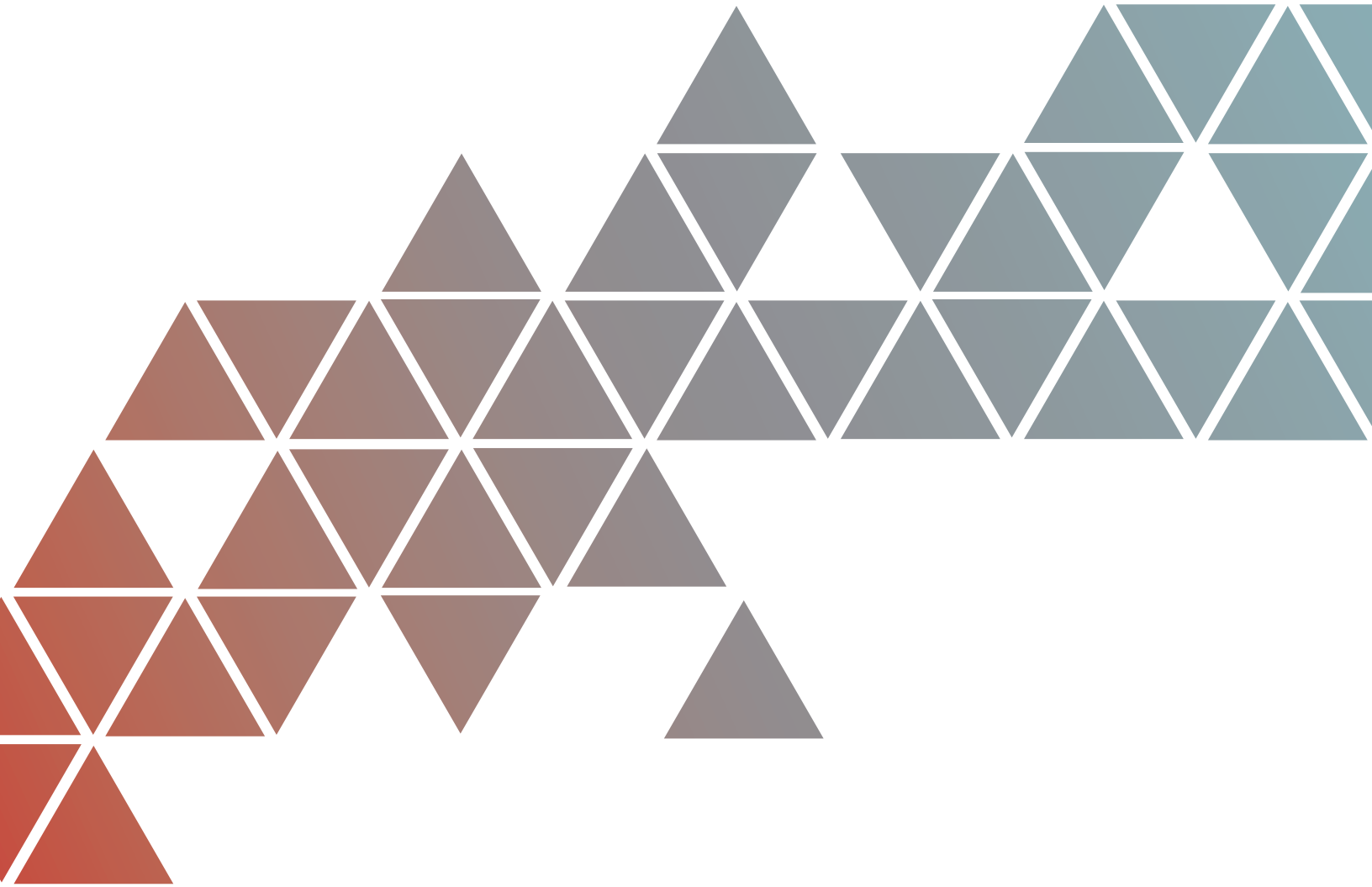
Health Promotion and Community Engagement staff expanded the Community Health Action Teams (CHATs) by adding teams in Hilliard and Grandview/Marble Cliff. The Whitehall and Prairie Township CHATs continue to grow and build on their successes.

The CHAT initiative is a partnership between Franklin County Public Health and community members that work to build healthier communities throughout Franklin County.

CHAT Focus Areas:

- Grandview-Marble Cliff - Senior Fall Prevention
- Hilliard - Mental Health
- Prairie Township - Physical Activity and Healthy Nutrition
- Whitehall - Access to Care





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