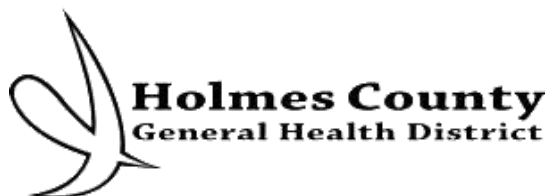


# 2018 ANNUAL *Report*



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# Health Commissioner

It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the Holmes County General Health District 2018 Annual Report, which provides an overview of programs, services, events and accomplishments from the last year, and highlights the direction the Health District has gone to prevent, promote, and protect the health of Holmes County.

In 2018, the Health District completed document submission to the Public Health Accreditation Board and is awaiting a site visit in June to determine accreditation eligibility. The Community Health Assessment (CHA), Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), and Strategic Plan became a focal point in staff and community collaborative meetings. The Health District continued to focus on improving the health and well-being of Holmes County by applying essential community feedback from the CHA and CHIP to dedicate resources to priority areas while advancing the mission of the Health District. It was encouraging to see this alignment.

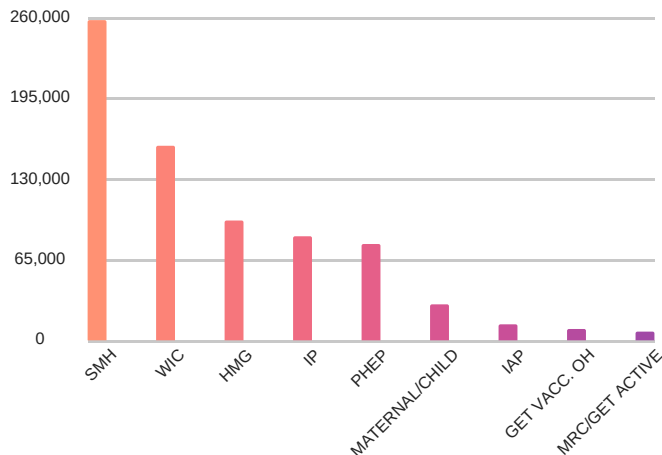
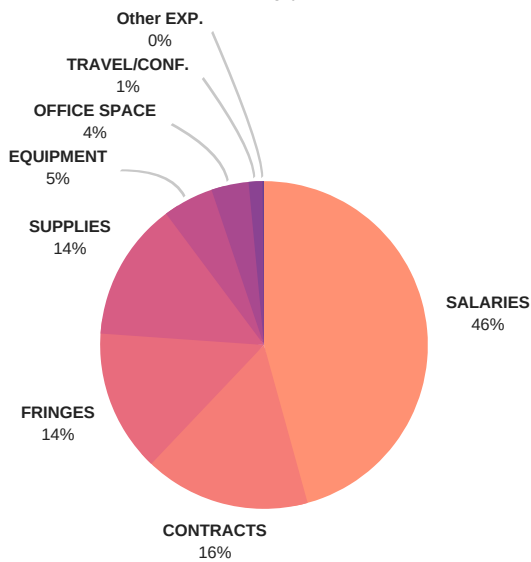
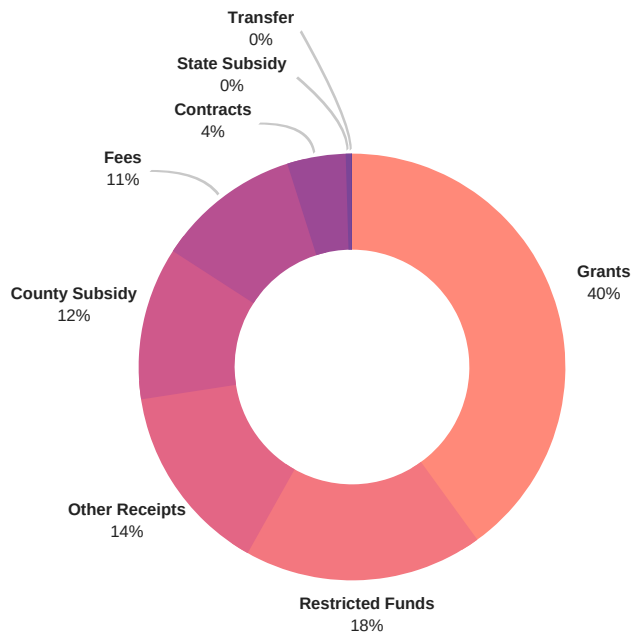
The Health District also provided ongoing outreach and education services within the Holmes County community, improved efficiency in program delivery methods, and implemented grant-funded programming to reach the community in new and exciting ways. Several events throughout the year presented the Health District with the opportunity for outreach, health promotion and education. The Health District was represented at the Holmes County Fair, Amish Health and Safety Day, Killbuck Early American Days, and the Berlin Harvest Fest. The programs the Health District offers have gained efficiency, demonstrated by successful evaluations from the Ohio Department of Health.

I could not be more proud of our wonderful staff and our Board of Health for the manner in which they shared, supported and implemented our Strategic Plan. To quote Benjamin Franklin, "Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning." The Health District, with support from our staff, Board, and community, will continue to improve and strive for success for the prosperity of Holmes County. As I like to say often—"onward and upward". In the figurative sense, onward means to move forward without looking back, and upward means to have a goal of continued self-improvement. If we apply this mindset, by going forward with what we've learned, and not dwelling on the past, we can continue to improve ourselves, our community, and our country.

**MICHAEL DERR**

Health Commissioner

# 2018 NUMBERS



## REVENUE

**GRANTS** \$729,680.11

## RESTRICTED

**FUNDS** \$330,648.20

**OTHER RECEIPTS** \$263,394.62

**COUNTY SUBSIDY** \$211,038.74

**FEES** \$199,705.98

**CONTRACTS** \$80,920.31

**STATE SUBSIDY** \$7,910.94

**TRANSFER** \$708.63

## TOTAL REVENUE

\$1,824,007.53

## EXPENSES

**SALARIES** \$850,166.68

**CONTRACTS** \$304,481.30

**FRINGES** \$261,124.97

**SUPPLIES/OFFICE** \$254,529.88

**EQUIPMENT** \$93,159.94

**OFFICE SPACE** \$68,587.56

**TRAVEL/CONFERENCE** \$25,310.24

**OTHER EXPENSES** \$2,706.18

**TOTAL EXPENSES** \$1,860,066.75

## PROGRAM GRANTS

**SMALL HEALTHCARE** \$257,618.09

**WIC** \$156,532.25

**HELP ME GROW** \$96,383.63

**INJURY PREVENTION** \$83,711.42

**PHEP** \$77,486.80

**MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH** \$28,936.90

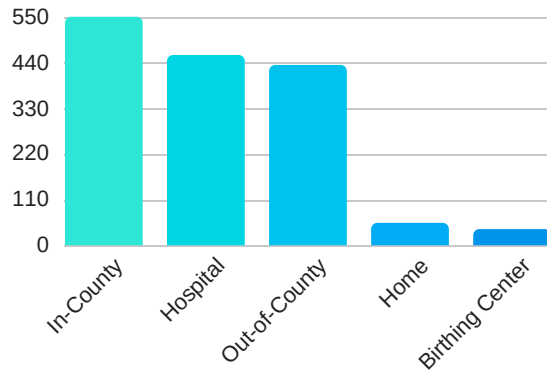
**IAP** \$12,865.00

**GET VACCINATED OHIO** \$9,119.02

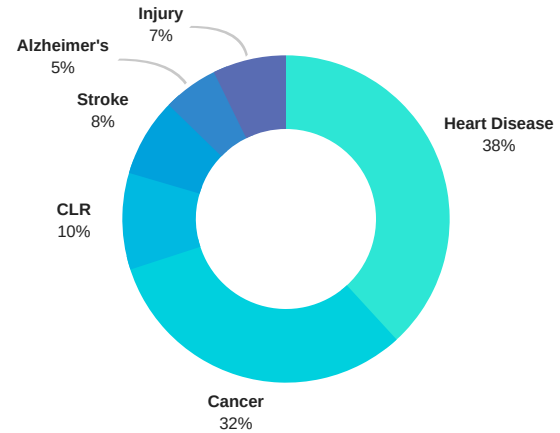
**MRC/GETTING ACTIVE** \$7,000.00

**PROGRAM TOTALS** \$729,680.11

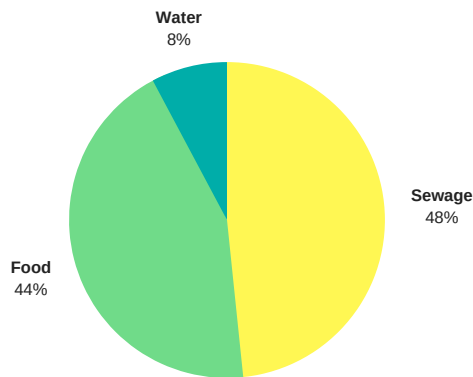
## RECORDED BIRTHS



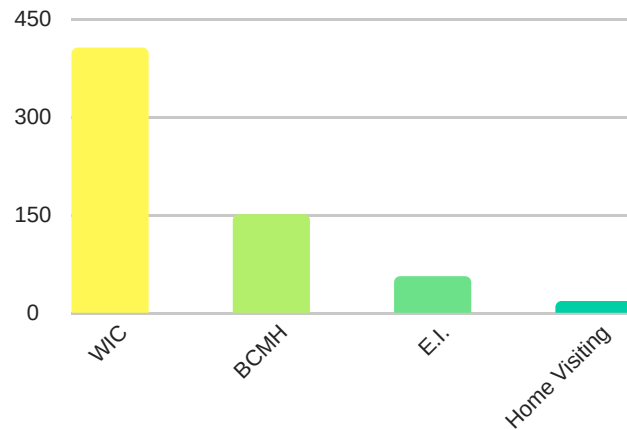
## LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH



## INSPECTIONS



## PROGRAM CASELOADS



## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

### SEWAGE

PERMITS **834**  
CONSULTATIONS **1,249**  
INSPECTIONS **1,193**

### FOOD

LICENSES **726**  
CONSULTATIONS **234**  
INSPECTIONS **1,082**

### WATER

PERMITS **137**  
CONSULTATIONS **249**  
INSPECTIONS **192**

### RECREATION

RV INSPECTIONS **31**  
SWIMMING POOL INSPECTIONS **58**

### OTHER

NUISANCES REPORTED **21**  
NUISANCES ABATED **17**  
ANIMAL BITES REPORTED **31**

## PERSONAL HEALTH

### BCMh

AVERAGE MONTHLY CASELOAD **151**

### HOME VISITING PROGRAM

AVERAGE MONTHLY CASELOAD **18**

### EARLY INTERVENTION

AVERAGE MONTHLY CASELOAD **56**

### COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION

PRESENTATIONS **219**

PEOPLE REACHED **6,392**

### SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH

FACEBOOK POSTS **246**

PEOPLE REACHED **69,607**

### IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

NUMBER OF PERSONS IMMUNIZED **1,148**

### COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

REPORTED COMMUNICABLE DISEASES **116**

### WIC

AVERAGE MONTHLY CASELOAD **406**

## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTH

HOLMES COUNTY BIRTHS **550**  
HOSPITAL BIRTHS **458**  
HOME BIRTHS **54**  
BIRTHING CENTER **39**  
OUT OF COUNTY BIRTHS **434**  
BIRTH CERTIFICATES **1,981**

### DEATH

DEATHS RECORDED **303**  
FETAL DEATHS **7**  
DEATHS UNDER 18 **3**  
TRAUMA DEATH **3**  
DEATH CERTIFICATES **773**

### LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH

HEART DISEASE **84**  
CANCER **70**  
CHRONIC LOWER RESP. **21**  
STROKE **17**  
ACCIDENTAL INJURY **16**  
ALZHEIMER'S **12**



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# EVENTS

## AMISH HEALTH & SAFETY AUGUST 14



The Holmes County General Health District, in collaboration with the Holmes County Safe Communities coalition, and community partners, hosted the 19th annual Amish Health and Safety Day at the Mt. Hope Event Center. Every year, community partners are invited to participate and share programs, services, or educational topics to improve health and safety in the Plain Community. Last year, the Health District provided administrative support for the event and promoted Health District programs and services at several vendor booths. WIC, Injury Prevention, BCMH/Immunizations, Emergency Preparedness, Early Intervention and Help Me Grow were all represented at the event. Amish Health and Safety Day provides the Health District with a unique opportunity for outreach to the Amish community

## HOLMES COUNTY FAIR AUGUST 6-12

The Holmes County Fair is always a fun time for the community and the Health District, and provides our agency with a great opportunity for outreach. Several of our programs were represented throughout the week at the fairgrounds. The Health District had a booth set up throughout the week, and had a corn hole game, where visitors could win prizes. On Kids Day, we brought back our Hand Washing Station, teaching kids that washing their hands the right way is important, and fun! WIC hosted a table for Kids Day, where they had a basketball hoop game, and gave away smoothie samples and toasted chickpeas as healthy snacks. On Senior Day, Kerry MacQueen, Injury Prevention Coordinator, did a presentation and demonstration of Tai Chi. Jessica Boal, Nursing Director at the Health District, did a presentation on how to build an emergency preparedness kit.



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# EVENTS

## FLU CLINIC AT WEST HOLMES OCTOBER 9

In order to practice and enhance our emergency preparedness capabilities, each year the Health District conducts a community flu clinic. These clinics test our ability to open up a Point of Distribution (POD) site to administer vaccines. During a public health emergency, the goal of a POD is to immunize or provide medication to as much of the population as possible during a short amount of time in order to prevent the spread of a communicable disease. We work with our local school districts for this event. Last year's flu clinic was held at West Holmes High School. We provided flu shots to 36 adults and 9 children.



## SEWAGE CONTRACTORS MEETING NOVEMBER 6

On November 6, 2018, the Holmes County Health District hosted the 3rd Annual Sewage Contractor Continuing Education Training Conference. Speakers representing the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation, the Ohio Department of Health, as well as nationally recognized wastewater technology companies Anua, Presby Environmental, Inc., and Hydro-Action partnered with the Health District to provide this educational opportunity to 159 conference attendees representing 25 Ohio counties. Presentations covered such topics as job-site safety procedures, the importance of thorough documentation, peat fiber bio-filters, wastewater treatment alternatives and the process of flow equalization.

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# HEALTH DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS



## FALLS WALK

At the 5th Annual Falls Prevention Walk, Tia Gulley, from the Ohio Department of Aging, presented Kerry MacQueen, Injury Prevention Coordinator, a certificate awarding the Health District for being an Outstanding Partner in the Ohio Department of Aging and Steady U Ohio's "10 Million Steps to Prevent Falls" campaign. The annual event is used to promote falls awareness and prevention for adults 60 + with the message that falls is not a normal part of the aging process. There were 100 participants at the event in 2018, up from 64 in 2017. Holmes County contributed 447,020 steps in the "10 Million Steps to Prevent Falls" campaign.

## ACCREDITATION

For the last several years, the Health District has been working to achieve accreditation through the national Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). Being an accredited health department would mean that we adequately provide our community with the 10 essential public health services. Additionally, being accredited by PHAB will help to ensure that public health services stay local, within in Holmes County, as opposed to being regionalized. Achieving accreditation includes an intense document review and collection process followed by a site visit from PHAB. We are happy to report that the health district submitted all required documentation to PHAB on August 1, 2018. Our site visit is scheduled for June 4-5, 2019. We hope to find out our accreditation decision in the fall of 2019.



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# AWARDS & RECOGNITION

## Annual Awards

### MAURICE MULLET AWARD



*LaVonne Flickinger*

This year's Maurice "Mo" Mullet Award went to LaVonne Flickinger. Each year the Health District recognizes an individual who, in the honor of Dr. Mullet, shows a dedication to service for the benefit of the Holmes County community. LaVonne does just that. As the Fiscal officer, LaVonne keeps the Health District running efficiently. She is always willing to help others, tackle difficult situations, and offer solutions to employees. As the Human Resources officer, LaVonne encourages employees to be their best, and boosts morale with her kindness and daily emails with quotes and images that are sure to always bring a smile. LaVonne was a recipient of the Employee Spotlight in 2018.

### ESTHER SPRENG AWARD



*Carol Miller*

Carol Miller received the Esther Spreng Award, a recognition given to a woman in Holmes County who has made great contributions to Public Health. Carol has been a Board of Health member for 22 years, many of which she served as Board President. She is an active volunteer for the Holmes County Medical Reserve Corps and a member of the Health District's Strategic Planning and Performance Management Committee. Carol never hesitates to volunteer her time to the Health District. In 2014 she participated in response to the Measles outbreak, and continues to serve at Health District events, helping with outreach and registration. Carol Miller is a true Public Health servant.

## Employee Spotlight

*Emily Gerber  
LaVonne Flickinger  
Christine Feikert  
Jennifer Talkington*

## Years of Service

JON CROUP  
30 YEARS

JESSICA BOAL  
1 YEAR

REBECCA STARNER  
1 YEAR