

NEW CANAAN HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET

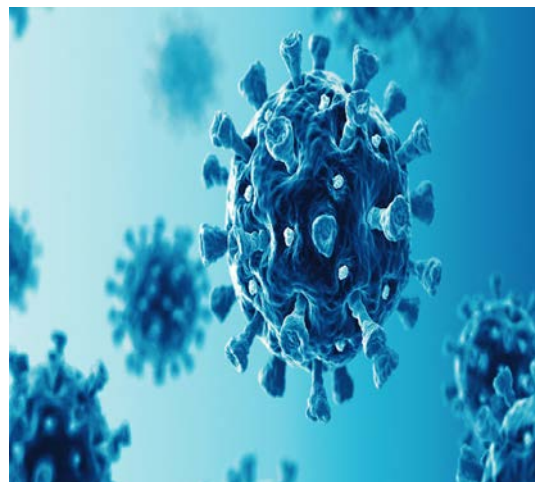
FY24-25



PRESENTATION BY:
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DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

HEALTH DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

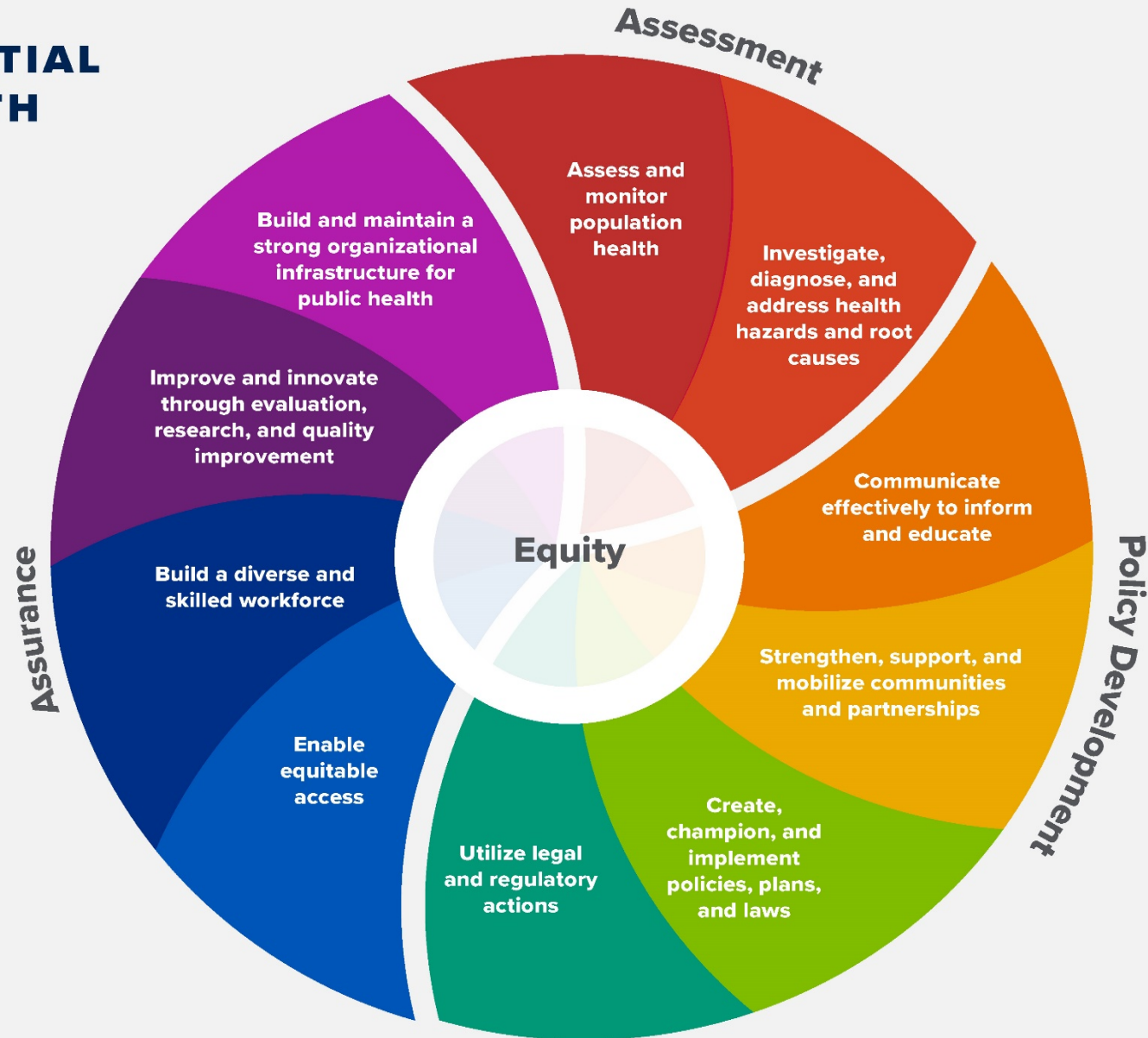
- ▶ It is the mission of the Health Department to control preventable diseases through education, inspections and monitoring by enforcing the federal, state and local codes, laws and regulations for maintaining and promoting public health.



THE 10 ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

To protect and promote the health of all people in all communities

The 10 Essential Public Health Services provide a framework for public health to protect and promote the health of all people in all communities. To achieve optimal health for all, the Essential Public Health Services actively promote policies, systems, and services that enable good health and seek to remove obstacles and systemic and structural barriers, such as poverty, racism, gender discrimination, and other forms of oppression, that have resulted in health inequities. Everyone should have a fair and just opportunity to achieve good health and well-being.



SUMMARY OF MAJOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- ▶ Responsible for carrying out and enforcing all aspects of the CT Public Health Code and all CGS pertaining to public health
- ▶ License and inspect all food service establishments, hair & nail salons and all cosmetology businesses, public pools, septic & refuse trucks, private wells, daycares, lead inspections and septic inspections/soil testing
- ▶ Review all building permits for properties on septic systems and/or private wells
- ▶ Responsible for public health emergency preparedness CDC required deliverables
- ▶ Provide case management of all New Canaan children found to have an elevated blood lead level of 3.5mg/dL or greater
- ▶ Manage infectious disease cases such as: COVID-19, Tuberculosis, campylobacter, flu, pertussis, norovirus, Lyme disease, E.Coli, STD's etc.
- ▶ Provide written comments for review of all P&Z and Inland Wetland Commission applications for properties on septic and for commercial properties licensed/regulated by the Health department.
- ▶ Respond too and investigate various complaints from landlord/tenant disputes about rodent/vector concerns and general housing complaints.



HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFFING JOB REQUIREMENTS

DIRECTOR OF HEALTH JENN EIELSON	REGISTERED SANITARIAN GENO GAGNON	SANITARIAN/HEALTH PROGRAM PLANNER SHANNON VALLERIE		
MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEGREE (MPH)	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE (BS)	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE (BS)		
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE (BS)	REGISTERED SANITARIAN (RS)	CERTIFIED LEAD RISK ASSESSOR		
CERTIFIED IN PUBLIC HEALTH (CPH)	PHASE 1 SEPTIC CERTIFICATION	PHASE 1 SEPTIC CERTIFICATION		
REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST (REHS)	PHASE 2 SEPTIC CERTIFICATION	PHASE 2 SEPTIC CERTIFICATION		
REGISTERED SANITARIAN (RS)	CERTIFIED LEAD INSPECTOR	QPR CERTIFIED TRAINER		
PHASE 1 SEPTIC CERTIFICATION	RMD's LPA 1 Lead Paint Inspection System (XRF) certified	MATTER OF BALANCE CERTIFIED TRAINER		
PHASE 2 SEPTIC CERTIFICATION	CERTIFIED LEAD RISK ASSESSOR	CT CERTIFIED FOOD INSPECTOR		
CT CERTIFIED FOOD INSPECTOR/FITO-FDA	CERTIFIED POOL OPERATOR (CPO)	CERTIFIED LEAD INSPECTOR		
QPR CERTIFIED TRAINER	CT CERTIFIED FOOD INSPECTOR	STOPTHEBLEED CERTIFIED		
CERTIFIED LEAD INSPECTOR	FEMA ICS-100, 200, 700, & 800	CERTIFIED POOL OPERATOR (CPO)		
CERTIFIED LEAD RISK ASSESSOR	DEEP Smoke Reader Certified	FEMA ICS-100, 200		
RMD's LPA 1 Lead Paint Inspection System (XRF) certified		MENTAL HEALTH FOR FIRST AID		
EPA RRP Certified Renovator for Lead				
CERTIFIED POOL OPERATOR (CPO)				
DEEP Wetlands agent certification				
DEEP Smoke Reader Certified				
StopTheBleed certified				
MDPH Asthma Home Visiting Certification for Community Health Workers				
Narcan/Naloxzone administration certification				
FEMA ICS-100, 200, 300, 400, 700, & 800				
FEMA Public Information Officer (PIO) certified				
FEMA certified in Medical Management of CBRNE events				
FEMA EHTER Training certified- ANNISTON, AL				
FEMA Technical Emergency Response Training for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Emergency (TERT-CBRNE) certified at FEMA Cobra Training facility in ANNISTON, AL				

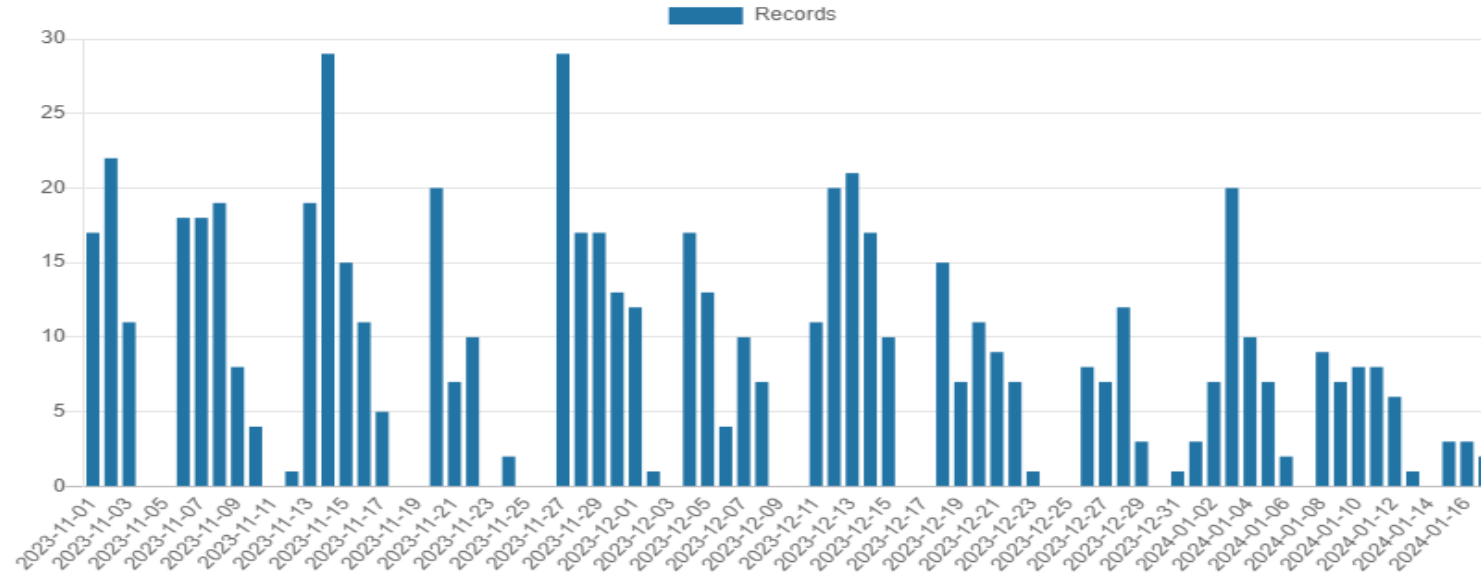
MAJOR CHANGES TO DEPARTMENT IN 2023

- ▶ Implemented online permitting services through Open Gov software. DOH Jenn Eielson was co-project manager with IT Director Chris Kaiser on getting this projected completed. Online permitting launched on November 1, 2023
- ▶ 1st year utilizing online permitting for restaurant license renewals.
- ▶ Will be utilizing online permitting to renew Salon licenses in May/June 2024 and for the public pools (includes condo's) in May 2024. Also the refuse & septic truck relicensing in June 2024 will also be done through Open Gov.
- ▶ LEGISLATURE IN MAY 2022 PASSED **UNFUNDED MANDATE PUBLIC ACT 21-46** WHICH REQUIRES LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS TO PROVIDE QPR (QUESTION, PERSUADE, REFER) SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. STATE DPH HAS PROVIDED THE QPR TRAINER OF TRAINERS CERTIFICATION COURSE FREE OF CHARGE. JENN EIELSON (DOH) & SHANNON VALLERIE (PROGRAM PLANNER/SANITARIAN) HAVE BOTH COMPLETED THE CERTIFICATION COURSE IN NOVEMBER 2022. TRAININGS WERE TO BEGIN AFTER JULY, 1, 2023
- ▶ NCHD BEGAN PROVIDING FREE QPR TRAININGS IN AUGUST 2023 AND HAS PROVIDED THEM MONTHLY
- ▶ THE UNFUNDED MANDATE HAS COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH IT SINCE THE TRAININGS REQUIRE PURCHASING THE BOOKLETS, QPR UPDATED POWERPOINT & CERTIFICATES FROM THE QPR INSTITUTE.



OPEN GOV ANALYTICS

Records submitted over time



Totals



632

Records Created



458

Inspections Done



\$358,698.84

Revenue Collected



767

Permits Issued

OPEN GOV ANALYTICS

(NOVEMBER 1, 2023-JANUARY 16, 2024)

Row Labels	Count of Department
Building Department	949
Health Department	144
Inland Wetlands	8
Planning and Zoning	44
Public Works	5
Grand Total	1150

Row Labels	Count of Method
Check	295
Credit Card	730
E-Check	125
Grand Total	1150



Row Labels	Sum of Revenue Paid	Department
1005-20741	21.06	
1005-20741	0.26	
1005-20742	5394	
1005-20742	116	
10054151-42201	17226.8	
10054151-42201	188424.44	
10054151-42201	24226.74	
10054151-42201	298.44	
10054155-42325	600	
10054155-42335	22300	
10054155-44103	400	
10054155-44720	2500	
10054155-44722	3230	
10054155-48232	190	
10054305-42310	250	
10054305-42330	640	
10054305-44970	500	
10054305-44971	500	
10054401 -42350	800	Health Pool Licenses
10054401-42020	27250	Health Restaurants
10054401-42025	100	Health Salons
10054401-42320	7000	Health Septic
10054401-42323	850	Health Well Permits
10054401-42350	15800	Health Building Permits
1054151-42201	600	
28058201-42322	100	
28604151-42308	40110	
(blank)	300	
Grand Total	\$359,727.74	\$51,800 (HD)

STATE DPH GRANTS RECEIVED FOR FY 23-24

- ▶ NCHD RE-ENROLLED IN CONNECTICUT VACCINE PROGRAM (CVP) VACCINES FOR CHILDREN (VFC) AND VACCINES FOR ADULTS (VFA). THROUGH CT STATE DPH IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM AND DPH HAS EXPANDED THE VACCINATIONS AVAILABLE TO NOW INCLUDE RSV IMMUNIZATION CHILDREN
- ▶ ALL CHILDHOOD VACCINES ARE PROVIDED FOR FREE FROM STATE DPH FROM CDC GRANT
- ▶ RECEIVED IMMUNIZATIONS GRANT FROM CT STATE DPH IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$48,156**. **\$30,870** IS TO COVER PT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES TO ADMINISTER VACCINATIONS, PROVIDE HEALTH PROMOTION, AND ASSIST WITH ANY OTHER COMMUNICABLE DISEASE INCLUDING FOOD BORNE ILLNESS OUTBREAK & TB. ADDITIONAL **\$17,286 MUST** BE USED TO FUND A MEDIA CAMPAIGN LOCALLY TO PROMOTE ALL VACCINATIONS. RFP WAS DONE AND SENT TO ALL LOCAL MEDIA & POSTED ON TOWN WEBSITE UNDER BID NOTICES. THE RFP PORTION OF THE GRANT IS REQUIRED BY STATE DPH AND IS CURRENTLY PENDING SUBMISSIONS.
- ▶ RECEIVED WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANT FROM STATE DPH IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$45,030** WHICH WILL BE USED TO COVER THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE AFTER THE IMMUNIZATION GRANT RUNS OUT IN JUNE 2024. WFD GRANT TO BEGIN JULY 1, 2024



NEW CANAAN HD EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- ▶ Completing budget year 5 of the 5 year Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant dispersed by state DPH from CDC.
- ▶ July 1, 2024 starts new 5 year budget cycle with new deliverables
- ▶ NCHD receives **\$11,708** yearly via PHEP grant for PHEP activities. NCHD hires a PT PHEP coordinator Nick Jossem to assist DOH Jenn Eielson with the required deliverables. It equates to roughly 4 hours per week.
- ▶ NCHD PHEP Coordinator Nick Jossem has a Masters of Science degree in Emergency Management. Nick is also the Public Health Region 1 CRI Coordinator for all 14 towns in Region 1. Nick also has a Bachelor of Science degree in Arson Investigation with a minor in Criminal Justice.
- ▶ Nick was also responsible for our PPE distribution during COVID with delivery to NC

PPE TYPE	NUMBER	PPE TYPE	NUMBER
GLOVES	45,000	THERMOMETERS	500
SURGICAL MASKS	60,000	PULSE OXIMETERS	50
KN95 MASKS	19,000	SAFETY GLASSES	85
N95 MASKS	15,000	FACE SHIELDS	3,000
COTS (FOR SHELTERING)	95	GOWNS	5,000
BLANKETS FOR COTS	95	SANITIZERS	5,000
INFARED THERMOMETERS	100	EPI PENS (FOR VACCINATION CLINICS)	10

CDC PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE CAPABILITIES

1) Community Preparedness	9) Medical Material Management & Distribution
2) Community Recovery	10) Medical Surge
3) Emergency Operations Coordination	11) Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions
4) Emergency Public Information and Warning	12) Public Health Laboratory Testing
5) Fatality Management	13) Public Health Surveillance and Epidemiology Investigation
6) Information Sharing	14) Responder Safety and Health
7) Mass Medical Care	15) Volunteer Management (MRC)
8) Medical Countermeasures	



STATE DPH CHANGES FOR FY 23-24

- ▶ Governor's Bill No. 5045 "An Act Reducing Lead Poisoning" was passed by the state legislature in May 2022.
- ▶ Raised bill lowered all lead actionable elevated blood lead levels in children under age 6 in CT and created more regulatory enforcement work for local health departments.
- ▶ Previously 5mg/dL or higher but less than 10 mg/dL requires follow up by local health to provide educational materials and remind parents their child must get retested venous blood lead level **(New standard is now 3.5mg/dL)** This new lower level went into effect January 2023.
- ▶ Previously an elevated blood lead level of 10mg/dL to 19 mg/dL requires a local health department lead inspector/risk assessor to perform a visual inspection of the house and additional venous blood lead level testing to confirm the EBLL. **New level of 5 mg/dL goes into effect January 2024.**



COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAMMING

- ▶ Sanitarian/Health Program planner Shannon Vallerie and Registered Nurse Ellen Samai were certified by the Fairfield Health Department in **Matter of Balance training**.
- ▶ The goal is to reduce falls and provide injury prevention programs to seniors free of charge as part of one of the initiatives of the State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP).
- ▶ Falls are the leading cause of emergency room visits and account for more than 8 million ED visits each year per the CDC.
- ▶ The nurse will work with the clients on the medications they take and help answer questions regarding that portion of the program.
- ▶ Conducted programs at Lapham center, School house apartments, and anywhere that was requested.



NEW COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAMMING

- ❖ FREE skin cancer screenings in partnership with CT Dermatologists & Dr. El DeMol was held on October 23rd at Irwin Park
- ❖ QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Suicide Prevention trainings held each month @ New Canaan Library
- ❖ Tick Talks with Dr. Ruskowski & HD staff Shannon Vallerie & NCHD Nurse Ellen Samai. One conducted at Lapham Center & one held at the New Canaan Library.



NEW COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAMMING

- ▶ Every Friday morning weekly Health department coffee talks at Lapham Community Center on various health topics: hydration, respiratory diseases, OTC medications, environmental health, heart health, nutrition, etc.
- ▶ Held another Hydration talk @Lapham on January 12, 2024 and Staying Putt non-profit sponsored the luncheon portion of the event
- ▶ **Diabetes wellness blood sugar screenings- FREE** for all New Canaan residents. Held every 2 weeks at Lapham Community Center. A1C tests available in 10 minutes. Written results provided so resident can share with primary care doctor if necessary. Screenings are also held monthly at the Schoolhouse Apartments.
- ▶ Childhood food allergen seminar with Dr. Ruskowski of Comprehensive Care is planned for this March 8th at 11am @ New Canaan Library
- ▶ 25 FREE Radon home test kits were dispersed to residents. Results were reported to both the NCHD & DPH. The radon test kits were provided by state DPH via CDC grant.

NCHD FLU VACCINATIONS UPDATE

- ▶ The health department has administered **745** flu doses to date (as of 01.19.24)
- ▶ The health department receives FREE flu vaccine from state DPH and have 4 different flu vaccines available including flu mist for children if the parent prefers
- ▶ There is no limit to the amount of doses a local health department can order from the state. The only requirement is all vaccinations must be logged in CT WIZ within 24hrs and inventory reconciled in CT WIZ
- ▶ NCHD has recently completed re-enrollment in the CVP immunization program and is all set for 2024. Providers must submit enrollment annually with DPH.



NEW CANAAN HEALTH DEPARTMENT HOMEBOUND VACCINATIONS/MOBILE CLINICS

- ▶ New Canaan Health Department administered **138** homebound vaccinations from January 2023 to December 31, 2023. The response from residents has been extremely appreciative that we are providing this service in their homes.
- ▶ NCHD has also provided mobile vaccination clinics at School house apartments, Lapham Community Center, EMS, Town Hall, Waveny LifeCare Center, etc.



NCHD INSPECTION & PERMIT DATA

	FY 21-22 Actual	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 YTD/Estimated	FY 24-25 Estimated
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS				
Number of temporary event food permits issued	*COVID RESTRICTED	189	61/189	150
Number of restaurants inspected	93 full inspections + 261 sector rule inspections	194	159/210	250
Number of well permits issued (incl. geothermal)	53	71	20/55	55
Number of commercial pools licensed	22	22	0/22	22
Number of commercial pools inspected	34	36	0/31	30
Number of salons licensed	39	40	0/40	40
Number of salons inspected (includes re-inspections)	58	53	7/55	55
Number of building permits reviewed for health	365	397	257/400	400
Number of septic plans reviewed	106	101	47/100	100
Number of generator/propane tank building permits	182	164	81/150	150
Number of trucks licensed/inspected	47	39	0/42	42
Number of COVID 19 vaccinations administered	11,714	5,190	226/250	200
Number of Flu vaccinations administered	0	767	724/750	750
Number of COVID 19 tests conducted	5,010	2,314	122/130	100
Number of ticks tested	208	115	61/120	120



PLEASE NOTE: SALONS/COSMETOLOGY, PUBLIC POOLS, SEPTIC & GARBAGE TRUCK INSPECTIONS AND LICENSES BEGIN IN MAY & JUNE

HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Expenditures			FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	FY23 Actual	FY24 Adopted	FY24 Revised	FY24 YTD	FY25 Proposed	FY25-24 \$YoY Budg.-Budg.	FY25-24 %YoY Budg.-Budg.
Health Department											
10054401	51610	Salaries F/T	363,027	398,873	415,008	407,619	419,262	169,767	434,047	26,428	6.48%
10054401	51620	Salaries P/T	41,724	65,868	115,974	45,000	45,000	32,053	45,000	-	0.00%
10054401	51630	Salaries O/T	15,287	39,673	22,828	15,000	15,000	8,413	15,000	-	0.00%
10054401	52200	Social Security	40,791	39,083	42,366	35,775	36,664	15,871	37,797	2,022	5.65%
10054401	52205	401A Employer Contributions	15,129	18,128	20,696	20,175	20,175	10,427	25,045	4,870	24.14%
10054401	52901	Longevity	200	200	200	200	200	100	200	-	0.00%
10054401	52906	Accrued Benefits Payout	-	13,576	8,053	-	-	-	-	-	
10054401	53010	Service Contracts (Blue Beam)				-	-	-	1,000	1,000	
10054401	53011	Prof Service	1,800	-	4,425	10,000	9,800	7,575	-	(10,000)	-100.00%
10054401	53960	Professional Memberships	527	928	607	1,200	1,400	1,198	1,200	-	0.00%
10054401	54445	Office Equip Lease/Rental	5,813	5,471	4,647	6,000	6,000	3,068	6,000	-	0.00%
10054401	55301	Postage	-	97	100	350	350	121	300	(50)	-14.29%
10054401	55800	Travel	-	87	-	340	340	215	340	-	0.00%
10054401	56120	Supplies Office	3,140	3,296	4,806	3,230	3,230	1,685	2,200	(1,030)	-31.89%
10054401	56916	Supplies - Medical	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000	
10054401	56260	Gasoline/Oil	-	-	-	576	576	-	576	-	0.00%
10054401	56500	Voice / Data	1,538	1,836	2,803	3,000	3,000	1,730	3,000	-	0.00%
10054401	56615	Equip Hand/Shop Tools	90	237	-	300	300	65	200	(100)	-33.33%
10054401	56630	Uniforms & Equipment	2,339	1,566	2,256	1,500	1,500	1,468	1,500	-	0.00%
			491,406	588,919	644,770	550,265	562,797	253,755	583,405	33,140	6.02%



HEALTH DEPARTMENT REVENUE

Revenues		FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	FY23 Actual	FY24 Adopted	FY24 Revised	FY24 YTD	FY25 Proposed	FY25-24 5YoY Budg.-Budg.	FY25-24 %YoY Budg.-Budg.
Health										
10054401	42350 Plan Review	68,750	64,850	57,600	60,000	60,000	6,750	60,000	-	0.00%
10054401	42320 Septic Permits	58,800	53,550	43,450	47,500	47,500	5,650	47,500	-	0.00%
10054401	42020 Restaurant Permits	30,300	35,800	37,725	35,000	35,000	1,650	35,000	-	0.00%
10054401	42323 Well Permits	5,950	7,800	11,800	5,000	5,000	1,150	5,000	-	0.00%
10054401	42005 Refuse & Septic Inspections	5,250	6,450	5,100	5,000	5,000	100	5,000	-	0.00%
10054401	42025 Barbers & Salons	4,325	3,825	4,075	4,000	4,000	150	4,000	-	0.00%
10054401	43806 COVID19 State Reimbursements	30,964	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10054401	43810 Covid Testing - Community	(270)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		204,069	172,275	159,750	156,500	156,500	15,450	156,500	-	0.00%

