









ANNUAL REPORT 2024



Carroll County General **Health District**



A MESSAGE FROM THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER

Dear Carroll County Community,

It is with great pleasure that I present the Health District's 2024 Annual Report. This year I began my 4th year serving Carroll County as your Health Commissioner. The annual report highlights all the services and programs we provide to improve or ensure your health and safety. I am extremely proud of our small department as we foster relationships and partnerships to find new and innovative ways to serve you. In 2024 we facilitated a comprehensive community health assessment, a partnership with our schools and community service providers. We lead this assessment every 3–5 years to better understand the needs and challenges facing Carroll County. We bring leaders and organizations across the county together to help identify the challenges we should address to have a healthy, happy, and thriving community.

This group of advisors identified three areas for our community to address collectively over the next 3 years.



- Healthy Living
- Access to Care
- Mental Health & Substance Use

We then work together across the county to find solutions to these challenges; this work is called the Carroll County Community Health Improvement Plan. The plan addresses strategies in three populations; youth, seniors, and the disabled, as strategies are different for each

sector. The pictures below are of me and Judge Smith talking with youth service providers about strategy development specifically for our youth. Focusing on building resilient youth, developing youth who have the skills and ability to overcome adversity.

We are currently developing task forces to work on solutions for improving the health of Carroll County. If you are interested in working with us to help create a healthy, happy and thriving community please reach out to me directly. To view the full report(s) visit our website at www.carroll-lhd.org

My best,

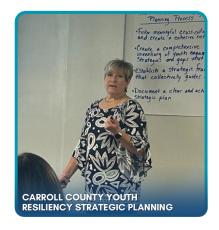
Kelly Morris, RN

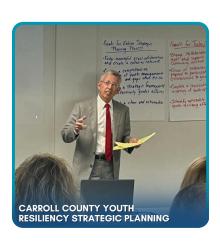
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COMMUNITY PREVENTION

The **Empower Youth Coalition** under Carroll County General Health District (CCGHD) provided programs to build protective factors in youth and prevent youth substance use. These prevention programs included:



- Building Resilience in Youth Trauma Informed Trainings
- Youth Prevention Strategic Planning Sessions
- "Building Resilience Together"
 Social Media Campaign
- Too Good For Drugs & Violence Curriculum in all County Public Schools in 4th & 7th Grades

- Your Presence is a Present Campaign
- "Speak It Don't Keep It" Campaign
- Ruling Our Experiences (ROX) Program at Brown Local Schools in 5th Grade
- Red Ribbon Week
 Coloring contest



Conotton Valley Youth Leadership Team displaying a poster for "Speak It Don't Keep It" Campaign, a mental health stigma reduction campaign, that was developed by the youth

COMMUNITY PREVENTION AT A GLANCE



221
4th Graders Reached
with "Too Good"
Curriculum



203
7th Graders Reached
with "Too Good"
Curriculum



24 Youth Led Coalition Members



13 Clients in Vaping Diversion Program



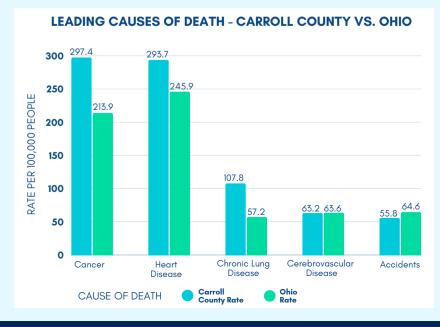
68 Car Seats Distributed

VITAL STATISTICS

The Leading causes of death in Carroll County in 2024 were:

- 1. Cancer (80 Deaths)
- 2. Heart Disease (79 Deaths)
- 3 Chronic Lung Disease (29 Deaths)
- 4. Cerebrovascular Diseases (17 Deaths)
- 5. Accidents/ Unintentional Injuries (15 Deaths)

The rates of **Cancer**, **Heart Disease**, and **Chronic Lung Disease** were **higher in Carroll County** than in the state of Ohio.



NURSING SERVICES

NURSING SERVICES AT A GLANCE



Total Nursing Division Visits:

1,580







Reproductive **Health Visits**



Preconception Health Visits



Clients Received STD Screenings



36 Cribs **Distributed**

BREAST & CERVICAL CANCER PROJECT (BCCP)

Provides breast and cervical screenings to underinsured women. To qualify, women must reside in Ohio and be at or below 300% of the federal poverty guidelines. We enroll women and schedule appointments with contracted providers.

- Women Screened for Cervical Cancer: 30
- Women served at Carroll County General Health District with BCCP: 20



OVERDOSE PREVENTION

Project DAWN

- Narcan Distributed: 315 Kits
- Naloxone Wall Boxes Distributed: 15
- Public Access Harm Reduction Boxes: 3



LINKING FAMILIES TO SERVICES

Bridges to Wellness is a program that connects families to local resources to help them become stronger and healthier.







55 Pregnancy



108 Adult



93 Pediatric

BEACON CHARITABLE PHARMACY





- 10 Clients Served in Carroll County
- 233 Prescriptions Filled & 9,772 Pills Dispensed
- \$46,285.38 Total Cost Saving to Clients

HEART OF OHIO DIAPER BANK COMMUNITY DISTRIBUTION SITE



Carroll County General Health District distributed 41,492 diapers and essentials this year, valuing \$17,887.00



EPIDEMIOLOGY

Carroll County General Health District's goal is to prevent and reduce transmission of all communicable disease (infectious disease) through surveillance, case investigation, immunization, and education.

The Carroll County General Health District Epidemiologist works closely with care providers, hospitals, surrounding health departments, and the environmental health staff during the case investigation, client contact, and follow-up.



596 Cases

of communicable disease were investigated in Carroll County in 2024

NEW STAFF HIGHLIGHT



Theresa Harrison,

Nursing Administrative Assistant

This year we welcomed a new nursing staff member, Theresa Harrison. Theresa is the Nursing Administrative Assistant. Theresa has 18 years of experience in the healthcare field. Theresa is passionate about serving the Carroll County Community.

Theresa has been married for 25 years. Some fun facts about Theresa are that she has 3 pet Dachshunds and she loves to garden.

MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

Tire Recycling

The Carroll County General Health District (CCGHD) held 2 successful **Retire The Tire** events in the Spring and Fall of 2024. Carroll County residents can bring 10 tires to recycle at no cost. The tires collected at these events were sent to Liberty Tire in Minerva to be recycled. Recycling tires in the community helps control the mosquito population as mosquitoes breed in the standing water found in old tires



CCGHD collects mosquitoes in the summer and fall months and submits them to the Ohio Department of Health to identify the type of mosquito and detect for disease presence. CCGHD monitors mosquitoes because they carry many diseases, such as West Nile Virus, that can make people sick.

2024 MOSQUITO SURVEILLANCE



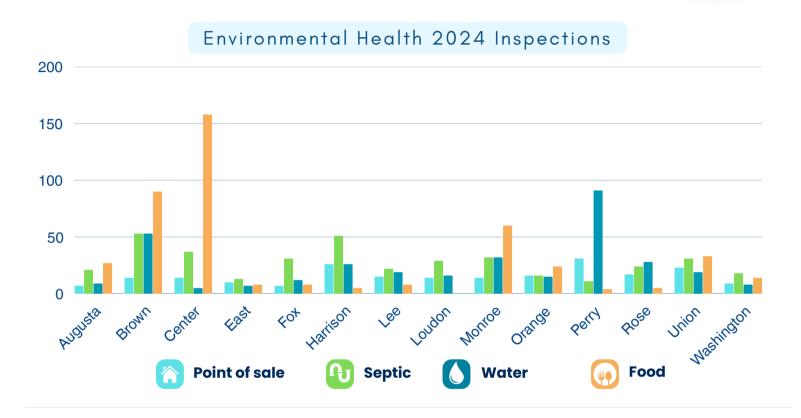
Positive Samples for West Nile Virus





ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The number of mandated inspections conducted in 2024 throughout the county, by township, by our Environmental Health Specialists.



Septic Contractor Training

Sewage Contractors are required to obtain continuing education credits each year in order to register to work in Carroll County the following year. CCGHD offers a Spring & a Fall training in the county for our sewage contractors, so that they do not have to travel to another county or pay to do courses online. The CCGHD provided two free training opportunities in 2024.

The trainings included speakers from:

- Consolidated Treatment Systems
- Infiltrator Water Technologies
- Portage Septic Tank
- SludgeHammer Group

New Staff Highlight

Brianna Burkhart,

BS, EHS-IT



Brianna Burkhart is an
Environmental Health Specialist in Training (EHS-IT)
with a background in both Chemistry & Environmental
Geology holding a degree from Kent State. Growing up in
Carroll County, she developed a deep appreciation for
the outdoors, which inspired her passion for
environmental science. Brianna is dedicated to
understanding & preserving the natural environment.
She enjoys hunting, fishing, and hiking!

FINANCIAL REPORT

(Unaudited)

2024

2024 Financial Report (Unaudited)	
2023 Carryover	\$729,859
2024 Revenue	\$1,669,361
2024 Expenses	\$1,717,512
2024 Carryover	\$681,708



CARROLL COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT SERVICE AREAS

Community Health

- Adolescent Health Grant
- Injury Prevention Grant
- Drug-Free Communities Grant
- Emergency Preparedness Grant
- Car Seats*

General Health & Administration

- Birth & Death Certificates
- Adult Protective Service Contract
- Local Subdivision
- Workforce Grant
- Accreditation*
- Medicaid Administrative Claiming
- State Subsidy

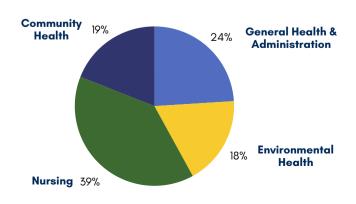
Environmental

- Food Program
- Swimming Pools
- Private Water Systems
- Household Sewage Program
- Point of Sale Program
- Resident Camps & Campgrounds
- Manufactured Home Parks
- Commercial Plumbing
- School & Jail Inspections*
- Nuisances*
- Body Art
- Mosquito Control Grant
- Animal Bites*
- Smoking Complaint Investigations*

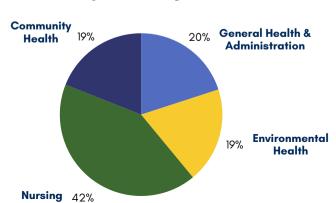
Nursing

- Preconception & Reproductive Health Grant
- Immunizations*
- School Based Health Center
- Communicable Disease*
- Bridges to Wellness
- Complex Medical Help Program (CMH)
- Cribs for Kids Grant
- Diapers*
- Harm Reduction*
- Medicaid Administrative Claiming
- Lead*
- Vivitrol Program*
- Vaping/Tobacco Cessation Program*

2024 Revenue By Service Area



2024 Expenses By Service Area



^{*}Represents an unfunded or underfunded program

CARROLL COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT

Kelly A. Morris MPH, BSN, RN

Health Commissioner

Dr. Richard Clark, MD

Medical Director

Amy Campbell, BS, CPST

Office Administrator, Fiscal Officer, & Accreditation Coordinator

Corinne Rogers

Environmental Health Administrative Assistant/Registrar

Kristen E. Long, MPH, BSA

Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Epidemiologist, & Environmental Health Administrative Assistant

Tina Bernard, BS, REHS

Director of Environmental Health

Brianna Burkhart, BS, EHS-IT

Environmental Health Specialist in Training

Lisa Winkler, SWA, OCPSA

Community Prevention Coordinator

Angela Toth, BSPH, CTTS

Community Engagement Coordinator

Jessica Slater, RN, RAC-CT, CDP, QCP

Director of Nursing

Theresa Harrison

Nursing Administrative Assistant

Tonya Phillips, RN

Public Health Nurse

Ember Newsome, RN, BSN, CTTS

School-Based Telehealth Nurse

Wendy Gotschall, DNP, RN, NE-BC

Community Nurse Educator & Adult Protective Services

Kristy Visser, RN

Carrollton Elementary School Nurse

LeeAnn Lindenbaum, RN, BSN, CTTS

School-Based Telehealth Nurse

Crystal Patterson, RN, BSN, CTTS

School-Based Telehealth Nurse

Sarah Atkinson MSN, APRN-CNP, WHNP-BC

Reproductive & Preconception Health Nurse Practitioner

Townships:

Augusta, Brown, Center, East, Fox, Harrison, Lee, Loudon, Monroe, Orange, Perry, Rose, Union, Washington

Villages:

Carrollton, Dellroy, Leesville, Malvern, Magnolia, Minerva, Sherrodsville

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