



# BROWN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

## Emergency Preparedness

The CDC Emergency Response Grant enables the health department to work with local and regional first responders to help maintain our county's ability to respond to natural or manmade disasters. The Public Health Preparedness Grant and related funding brings in approximately \$100,000 annually and is only used for Emergency Response activities.

## City Readiness Initiative

The City Readiness Initiative grant brings in approximately \$15,000 annually. This grant is used for community and volunteer education programs.

## BOARD MEMBERS

<u>Member</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Expires</u>
Tim O'Hara*	Mt Orab	3/2019
Mark Klump	Jefferson	3/2021
Brian Garrett	Jackson	3/2022
Ralph Jennings	Lewis	3/2023

\*DLC member

## Health District Programs and Services

The 2018 Activity Report for the Brown County Health Department presents statistical data outlining service levels in the various programs and service components offered by the agency or mandated by statute.

### Public Health Programs & Services

Environmental Health	Public Health Nursing
Vital Statistics	Emergency Preparedness / Response
Health Education	School Inspections
Solid Waste	Sewage / Water Quality
Mammogram Van	Diabetes Support Group
Drug Prevention	

## Administrative - Accreditation

In 2018 the department continued toward becoming an accredited agency as required by the Ohio Department of Health.

The department completed the Community Health Improvement Plan with grant funds from ODH.

## Plumbing Services

Plumbing services in the County during 2018 continued to be provided through a contract with Hamilton County. This arrangement results in a net monetary savings for the agency.

<b>Permits and Inspections</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Residential Permits	194	98
Residential Inspections	215	146
Commercial Permits	29	20
Commercial Inspection	31	51
Registered Installers	72	72

## Nursing Services

The Public Health Nursing Division works to promote and protect the health of Brown County residents through a variety of initiatives. The Nursing Division provides communicable disease tracking, epidemiology, health education, immunization clinics, health screening tests, and many other services to the county. Below is a listing of a few items we do, but not a true reflection of all we do.

### **Immunization Clinics**

The nursing division provides vaccinations clinics and immunizations for a variety of diseases. Regular immunization clinics are held each Tuesday, and appointments are available throughout the week if a client cannot attend a clinic on Tuesdays.

### **Health Fair with Mercy Health and Adams County Regional Medical Center**

The health department partnered with Mercy Health and Adams County Regional Medical Center, along with other Brown County agencies in 2018 to organize a community health fair. This health fair provided access to immunizations, health education, and other health related services. We had approximately 100 county residents in attendance. We are in the process of planning another for 2019 with the same partners in hopes of reaching more county residents this year.

### **Quick Response Team (QRT) and Prevention Point**

The opioid epidemic continues in our county. Both health department nurses participate in the weekly QRT visits as well as holding Prevention Point, a needle exchange harm reduction program. The health department received a \$10,000 grant to assist in our efforts of providing educational resources to those effected by this epidemic. We are also involved heavily with the Coalition for a Drug Free Brown County.

### **St Elizabeth Mammogram Van**

The mobile mammography van from St Elizabeth Hospital partners with the health department four times a year to bring the mobile van to our parking lot to assist those individuals needing a yearly screening. We work with St Elizabeth and the Breast and Cervical Cancer Project (BCCP) to ensure that everyone receives their screening even without insurance.

### **Other Community Events**

The Brown County Health Department Nursing Division participated with Prevent Blindness of Ohio Vision Screening Clinics to assist Brown County residents to receive vision screenings and/or Optometrist appointments and glasses. We also participated in the 1<sup>st</sup> Georgetown National Night out. As well as the Brown County Health Fair and the Brown County Fair.

<b>Project DAWN trainings</b>	<b>2018</b>
Individuals trained	66

<b>Narcan Squad Totals Narcan</b>	<b># doses</b>
Aberdeen	16
Fayetteville	0
Georgetown	36
Hamersville	3
Higginsport	9
Mt Orab	15
Ripley	57
Russellville	4
Sardinia	10
Total	150

<b>Prevention Point</b>	<b>2018</b>
Number of clients served	10
Number of dirty needles received	452
Number of clean needles given out	456

<b>Quick Response Team (QRT)</b>	<b>2018</b>
# of Visits made	38

<b>Cholesterol Screenings</b>	
Total Screenings Performed	20

<b>Immunizations (Totals)</b>	<b>1,696</b>
Children under 18 yr.	488
Adult over 18 yr.	273
School staff Flu	540
Child under 18 yr. Flu	84
Adult over 18 yr. Flu	113
Adult over 65 yr. HD Flu	140
Tuberculosis- PPD skin test	58

<b>Communicable Disease</b>	<b>2018</b>
Hepatitis C	99
Hepatitis A	6
HIV	0

<b>Diabetes Group Totals</b>	
Sugar Helpers Attendance	151
Diabetes Celebration Total	125

<b>Children with Medical Handicaps</b>	
Total children on program	133

<b>Mammograms</b>	
4 Van Visits	128

<b>Vision Screening Clinics</b>	
Individuals screened	22

## Vital Statistics

The Brown County Health Department issues birth certificates for anyone born in the state of Ohio and issues death certificates for any deaths that occur in Brown County. Genealogists may view records at our office Monday-Friday 8:00am – 4:30pm with the assistance of our Local Registrar and/or Deputy Registrar. Our office maintains birth and death records for Brown County dating from 1908 to present.

### Ohio's New Driver License and Identification Card

On July 2, 2018 The Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles introduced its new Driver License and Identification Card (DL-ID). The new *Compliant DL-ID* requires more documentation to be presented at the BMV when renewing your driver's license. We have seen an increase in the number of requests for Birth Certificates coming through our office.

### Vital Statistics

#### 2018 Births/Deaths Occurring in County

Births 7      Deaths 361

#### 2018 Causes of Death

Heart Disease	101	Malnutrition	3
Cancer	74	Homicides	2
Dementia	55	Pulmonary Emboli	1
Accidents *	29	Septic Shock	1
Stroke	18	Sepsis	1
COPD	15	Influenza A	1
Respiratory Failure	10	Anemia	1
Suicides	9	Dehydration	1
Pneumonia	8	Gangrene	1
Renal Disease/Failure	8	Pneumothorax	1
Parkinson's Disease	7	Organ Failure	1
Undetermined	4	Lung Disease	1
Cirrhosis	3	ALS	1
Diabetes	3	Failure to Thrive	1

#### \*Accidents:

Vehicular	2	Drug Overdoses	20
Falls	2	Fire	3
Drowning	1	Hip Fracture	1

## Environmental Health Services

The Environmental Health Division of the Brown County Health Department is responsible for managing a wide variety of state and local programs designed to promote a healthy environment for Brown County. These services include food inspections, household sewage treatment, private water sources, nuisance complaints, environmental disease monitoring, school and institution safety inspections, and many other programs. The following section provides an overview of many of the program areas of our Environmental Health Division.

Special Programs and Services by the Environmental Division for 2018 include:

- Agency personnel made 3 court appearances relating to nuisance investigations.
- \$44,031.70 was spent of the total \$168,000 awarded through the HSTS grant from OEPA. These funds go to qualified county residents with failing septic systems.

### Environmental Licenses, Inspections and Permits Issued

Campgrounds	21	Landfill Inspections/Complaints	60
Public Pools & Spas	10	Service Providers	9
Food Operations	207	Nuisances Investigations	46
Tattoo Facilities	3	Air Monitoring	2
Private Water Systems	3	Subdivision Reviews	33
School Inspections	18	Septic Installers Registered	21
Operational Maintenance	102	Septic Haulers Registered	11
Rabies Program: Dog Bites	67	Water Haulers Registered	2
Other Animal Bites	22	12 Month Inspections	43

### Environmental Statistics

Sewage Applications	2018	2017	Installation Permits	2018	2017
New Construction	30	20	Permit to Install	21	24
Loans	10	9	Permit for Alteration	9	19
Repairs	20	8	<u>Operation Permits</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>39</u>
Home Replacement	42	19	<b>Totals</b>	63	82
<u>Commercial</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>56</b>			

## Household Sewage Treatment System Grant

The Brown County Health Department has grant money available for replacement of failing septic systems and connecting failing systems to public sewer when available. This funding is made available to the County through the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Water Control Fund. Eligibility for the grant is based on household size and income. This year the county will receive \$150,000.00. The owner needs to have lived on the land for at least one year (this includes land contracts). The money can be used to replace existing septic systems but cannot be used for new systems. If the applicant is eligible, the grant would pay one of the following percentages: 50%, 85% or 100% of the replacement costs. For more information please contact our office at 937-378-6892.

### Health Department Staff

Kyle D. Arn, MS, RS	Health Commissioner
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Jennifer Fetters	Environmental Secretary / Deputy Registrar
Margery Paeltz	Emergency Response Coordinator
Sara Partin	Administrative Assistant / Local Registrar
Heather Sloat, RS	Public Health Sanitarian
Pamela Williams, BSN, RN	Nursing Director
Todd Williams, MD	Medical Director
Kathy Wright, LPN	Public Health Nurse