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Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

What does Public Health do for you?

We provide public health services to improve your quality of life:

- Monitor health status and understand health issues facing the community.
- Protect people from health problems and health hazards.
- Give people information they need to make healthy choices.
- Engage the community to identify and solve health problems.
- Develop public health policies and plans.
- Enforce public health laws and regulations.
- Link people to needed health services.
- Maintain a trained and capable public health workforce.
- Evaluate and improve programs and interventions.
- Contribute to and apply the best practices of public health.

Why are these services important?

To monitor, prevent and control the spread of disease, and promote good health in our community. Everyone benefits from public health.

The Zanesville-Muskingum County Health Department is here for you. Some of the services we provide include:

Emergency Preparedness Services

- Planning and practicing community responses to potential public health emergencies

Environmental Health Services

- Animal Bite/Rabies Investigations
- Campground Inspections
- Food Service Inspections
- Mobile Home Park Inspections
- Mosquito Spraying
- Plumbing Inspections
- Private Water Well Inspections
- Public Pool/Spa Inspections
- School Inspections
- Sewage System Inspections
- Smoke Free Workplace Enforcement

Personal Health Services

- Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps
- Communicable Disease Investigations & Treatment
- Dental Clinic
- Dental Sealant Program
- Immunizations
- Lice Control and Prevention
- Medication Assistance Program
- Newborn Home Visits
- Partner with Muskingum Valley Health Centers to Provide Health Care Services
- School Health Services
- Senior Health Screenings
- Tattoo Parlor Inspections

Health Promotion Services

- Abstinence and Life Skills Training in Schools
- Muskingum County Wellness Coalition
- Cancer Concern Coalition
- Lead Regional Resource Center
- Muskingum Valley Tobacco Free Coalition (Quit Tobacco Program)

Vital Statistics Services

- Birth & Death Certificate Issuance
- Burial Permits
- Child Fatality Review
- Genealogy Research
- Notary
- Paternity Acknowledgement
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How is local Public Health funded?

In 2007, the Zanesville-Muskingum County Health Department had an operating budget of \$4,238,124.

Nearly half of our budget \$1,942,305 or 46% is supported by the health levy and other local funding sources. However, \$303,328 of these local funds are being phased out which makes levy money even more important. In addition, the Health Department receives \$1,016,796 in state and federal grant monies. Because of generous community support, we are able to apply for state and federal grant monies to develop stronger public health programs for you.

Being a service-based agency, the majority of our expenditures were for personnel including the areas of Environmental Health, Personal Health and Vital Statistics. Our revenue is also collected through charges for services, licenses and permits.

What is the cost of the levy?

The ZMCHD Levy is a 0.5 mill replacement levy. For the owner of a \$100,000 home, this levy will cost \$15.31 per year or \$1.28 per month.