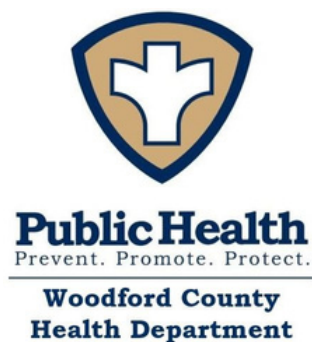


# 2025 Annual Report

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Woodford County Health Department

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# Letter from the Administrator

## Bethanie Albrecht



To citizens and community partners of Woodford County:

The Woodford County Health Department (WCHD) is excited to present to you this year's annual report, highlighting the work that our small but mighty agency can offer. We pride ourselves on embodying the mission of our department to improve the health and well-being of our community through health education, health promotion, and preventative health services as we serve in our roles.

As you will see in the following report, our department has surpassed the minimums, and we love the work we do. We are always here as a resource for the community, and if we don't have the answer to your specific question, we can refer you to those community partners who do.

Public Health is typically a department that operates behind the curtain, making sure that everything operates properly. However, this can lead to many individuals not knowing what we do. I encourage you to take a moment to read through this report, pull back the curtain, and appreciate all the programs and services offered.

Lastly, let me formally introduce myself as the new Administrator here at WCHD. I started serving in this role in late February 2025, and yes, time moved quickly. The vision I have is simple, yet vital, and aligns with the Department's mission: to work alongside you to build a stronger, healthier, and more resilient Woodford County. Over the next year, I look forward to meeting many of you in the community - at events, fairs, and other occasions where you can see the Department at work. Thank you all for welcoming me into this role, and I cannot wait to see what 2026 brings!

Bethanie Albrecht  
Administrator

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# Board of Health

**The Woodford County Health Department is governed by the Board of Health. These members are appointed by the Woodford County Board for a three-year term. Woodford County Board of Health members serve without compensation and are empowered duties and responsibilities as outlined in Chapter 111 1/2 of the Illinois Statutes.**

	Member	Term Expires
President .....	Laurie Schierer, MS	11/30/2027
Vice President.....	Karen Krug, BS, MS	11/30/2027
Secretary.....	Autum Jones, MPA	12/01/2026
HR Liason.....	Anna Laible, MBA	11/30/2026
	Gary Knepp, DO	11/30/2027
	Michael Meier, DMD	11/30/2027
	Kristina Edinger	11/30/2028



The mission of the Woodford County Health Department is to improve the health and well-being of our community through health education, health promotion, and preventative health services.



# Health Department Staff

Administrator.....	Bethanie Albrecht, MS (02/24/25-present) Hillary Aggertt, MS (12/01/24-12/13/24)
Director of Nursing.....	Stephanie Wurmnest, RN (05/30/25-present) Emily Kelly, MSN, RN (12/01/24-06/05/25)
Director of Environmental Health..	Eric Lane, BS, LEHP
Registered Nurse, PRN.....	Ron Bell, RN
Contact Tracing Supervisor.....	Rita DeMask, RDH
Community Health Education Specialist.....	Amy Dewald, MA
Office Assistant.....	Jessica Ifft
Business Operations Manager.....	Erin Luckey, AS
Summer Intern.....	Hannah Martin
Maternal Child Health Nurse.....	Cindy McClallen, RN
WIC Nutritionist.....	Cari Noe
Billing and Compliance Coordinator	Jenna Tallyn, BA
Environmental Health Inspector.....	Paul Wilkins, BA
Emergency Response Coordinator.	Bridget Wombacher, MPH
Maternal Child Health Nurse.....	Stephanie Wurmnest, RN (12/01/24-05/29/25)

\*Date ranges enclosed in parentheses reflect periods during which an employee was either hired or resigned from the indicated role in FY25, or when there were changes in job roles within FY25. This does not represent an employee's total years of service to the Health Department.

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# Community Health

Amy Dewald

Community Health Education Specialist



Much of 2025 was dedicated to wrapping up the 2023-2025 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) cycle and planning for the 2026-2028 CHIP with the Tri-County members of the Partnership for a Healthy Community (which celebrates ten years of collaboration this year). Part of the process involved organizing and leading focus groups to better understand the health concerns of our residents. We facilitated additional meetings with our residents to rank the issue statements. Issue statements were determined by analysis of the three assessments that were conducted in 2024 & 2025: Community Health Needs Assessment, Community Status Assessment and Community Partner Assessment. The ranking of the issue statements led to the determination of the 2026-2028 CHIP's top three priorities which are as follows: to reduce food insecurity in youth, to increase access to behavioral health services and provide more efficient navigation of behavioral health resources, and to reduce suicide ideation and self-harm in young people. New action teams have been formed to address each of these priorities in the new cycle.

The Woodford County Health Department became a Drug Overdose Prevention Program in 2025. This allows us to order Narcan and to distribute it in our community free of charge. We have installed a cabinet in the entryway of our office for easy access to free Narcan. We have supplied emergency response agencies with Narcan and have provided Opioid education and Narcan training to many different community groups and agencies such as the Metamora/ Germantown Hills Rotary, the Woodford County Housing Authority, the Woodford County Medical Reserve Corps and all the library districts in Woodford County. In addition, we are an active member of the Substance Use Committee under the Partnership for a Healthy Community. The Substance Use Committee provides a forum which allows us to interact with our partners in the Tri-County region to discuss issues and follow trends in our area relating to Substance Use. For more information about our Drug Overdose Prevention Program or to schedule a presentation, please contact Amy at [adewald@woodfordcountyl.gov](mailto:adewald@woodfordcountyl.gov).

There were many opportunities for outreach this past year. Amy attended meetings of community groups such as the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs and participated in community events such as the Metamora Old Settler's Days, Eureka Market on the Courthouse Lawn in June, Eureka College Welcome Back Community Fair in August, El Paso Corn Festival and Meet the Heroes Event in Metamora in September. These outreach events provided an opportunity to make the Health Department more visible in the community and to provide our residents with materials on the services that we offer.

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# Emergency Response

Bridget Wombacher

Emergency Response Coordinator



The Health Department receives federal funding from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) through two key grants via the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH): the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant and the Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) grant. These grants play a vital role in shaping the department's emergency preparedness efforts and ensuring readiness to respond to a wide range of potential threats to Woodford County. Such threats include infectious disease outbreaks, natural disasters, and biological, chemical, or radiological incidents. Throughout the year the Emergency Response Coordinator (ERC) works on creating, reviewing, and updating emergency plans, establishing partnerships with community groups and other agencies, developing exercises and drills, offering trainings, and overseeing the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC).

Over the last year, the ERC developed an emergency plan for Administrative Preparedness and a Crisis and Emergency Risk Communications (CERC) plan. An administrative preparedness plan addresses issues such as hiring, resource procurement, and budgets during an emergency. The CERC plan outlines the procedures, roles, and tools an organization will use in communicating to partners, stakeholders, and the public during a public health emergency. Additionally, the ERC and WCHD staff continue to update the Emergency Operations plan (EOP), Continuity of Operations (COOP) plan, and Infectious Disease plan.

An important aspect of Emergency Preparedness is connecting with other professionals and establishing partnerships with other agencies, community groups, and healthcare coalitions. This ensures that during an event, WCHD has assistance from other agencies, established communication lines, volunteer mobilization, and community support. The ERC attends many meetings and trainings on behalf of the Health Department to help establish and maintain these relationships. WCHD is involved in the Central Illinois Coalition in Response Planning (CIL-CARP) which is a group of emergency responders, healthcare, public health, and emergency managers that meets multiple times per year to network and train on various topics related to emergency preparedness and response. The Region 2 Regional Hospital Coordination Center (RHCC) is a group that coordinates activities between hospitals and EMS as well as public health. Additionally, the ERC is involved in many groups that support the Tri-County area (Woodford, Peoria, and Tazewell). Due to the size and location of these counties, coordination between the three areas is crucial.

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# Emergency Response

Bridget Wombacher  
Emergency Response Coordinator



The ERC is a member of the Tri-County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) which brings together state and local officials, law enforcement, fire, media, public health, hospitals, and other emergency response professionals. The Tri-County Highly Pathogenic Disease workgroup meets with public health, hospitals, healthcare facilities and long-term care facilities and offers training, tabletop exercises, and relevant speakers on topics such as Measles and Lassa Fever. Additionally, the ERC participates in monthly meetings with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Medical Reserve Corps of Illinois, Region 5 MRC, Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center, and the Illinois Department of Public Health.

In April and May, WCHD staff were able to attend the NACCHO Preparedness Conference in San Antonio, TX and the IDPH Preparedness Summit in Bloomington, IL. Staff had the opportunity to join attendees who work in all levels of the government (federal, state, and local), emergency management, volunteer organizations, healthcare coalitions, and academia to share best practices, build partnerships, advance skillsets, and take away innovative solutions and practical strategies to address the vulnerabilities in our country's health security system. Staff also attended MGT 346 Class in Springfield, IL which focused on providing planning, resource, and information management training for Emergency Operations Center (EOC) personnel. Lastly, the ERC attended amateur radio training and passed the exam for technician licensure.



Emergency Response Coordinator Bridget Wombacher and Administrator Bethanie Albrecht at NACCHO Preparedness Conference



# Emergency Response

Bridget Wombacher  
Emergency Response Coordinator



Exercises and drills are a fundamental component of emergency preparedness. They enable the Health Department to test plans and procedures before an incident may occur. The ERC developed and attended many discussion-based exercises in the last year including the following: Woodford County EMA Correctional facility, IDPH Rural Health Influenza, Tri-County Measles, and Woodford County MRC Anthrax tabletops. Additionally, the ERC sets up quarterly drills for WCHD staff to make sure staff know the response procedure and contact information is accurate.

On May 14, 2025, WCHD staff and MRC members participated in a facility setup and throughput drill at one of WCHD's open PODs. This exercise focused on dispensing medication after a fictitious anthrax event. Volunteers arrived at the location, set up the clinic space and volunteer actors went through the POD from start to finish. The ERC kept track of timing and any issues encountered during the exercise.

The Woodford County Medical Reserve Corps is a group of medical and non-medical volunteers whose mission is to strengthen and support public health emergency response efforts. The MRC meets several times throughout the year and activities include: guest speakers, NARCAN training, Dementia training, Search and Rescue training, CPR, tabletop exercises, POD training, communications drills, and packing pouches for Mosquito-borne illnesses and respiratory illnesses.



State MRC Coordinator Dawn Davis, MRC Volunteer Tim Allen, and ERC Bridget Wombacher



MRC volunteers participating in training exercise



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# Clinical Services

Stephanie Wurmnest  
Director of Nursing



WCHD Clinical Services encompasses several programs such as communicable disease investigation and reporting, immunizations, lead and TB programs, and WIC (Women, Infants and Children).

## **Immunizations**

WCHD offers a wide variety of immunizations for both children and adults. Many private insurance plans are accepted, as well as Medicare, Medicaid and other community health plans. Self-pay options are available.

## **Low-cost Lab Draw Program**

A low-cost lab draw program is available through WCHD. Health care providers can send lab orders for their patients to receive routine lab services at the Health Department. Results are sent back to the ordering provider within a few days.

## **Tuberculosis (TB) Program**

WCHD staff provides TB services to Woodford County residents, including education, risk assessments, exposure history, and testing.

If positive, staff completes case investigations, surveillance, medications, and case management, as well as referrals and follow-ups.

Tuberculosis numbers from the State for 2025 will be released in Spring of 2026. To view those numbers, visit [IDPH website](#).

## **Communicable Disease and Outbreak Reporting**

WCHD staff watch for trends or outbreaks of communicable disease, and provide guidance and education related to other illnesses. Communicable diseases are investigated and staff report disease cases to the state. Education is provided on the specific diagnosis, prevention, and infection control measures. Investigation includes a review of treatment, disease processes, and referrals to seek appropriate medical attention. WCHD works with local, state, and national providers to track and report numerous communicable diseases and to ensure proper care and follow up of those diagnosed. Annual surveillance reports are completed for influenza and other life-threatening illnesses.

\*For more detailed Communicable Disease data see Appendix B.

# Clinical Services

Stephanie Wurmnest  
Director of Nursing



## WIC - Women, Infants, and Children

WIC is a federally funded supplemental food program aimed at providing nutrition information and free food to assist mothers, infants, and children in acquiring essential nutrients necessary for healthy growth and development.

## WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

For the sixth consecutive year, Woodford WIC has participated in the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP). This program offers WIC participants \$30 in vouchers to spend at local farmers' markets during the market season, enabling them to purchase fresh, in-season fruits and vegetables. To enhance their experience, education on selecting, preparing, and storing produce was also provided.

In 2025, Woodford WIC successfully distributed 100% of the vouchers we received to participants. Voucher redemption rates increased by 6% compared to the previous year, placing Woodford above the state average. Woodford WIC was recognized in a state FMNP meeting for the proactive measures taken to assist families in using their vouchers, which included calls, mailings, and in-person reminders. The redemption of these vouchers benefits everyone involved—both the WIC families and the participating farmers! For more information on becoming a WIC Farmers' Market partner, please contact our office.



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# Clinical Services

Stephanie Wurmnest  
Director of Nursing



## Lead Program

The Woodford County Health Department is actively engaged in a lead prevention initiative that involves screening and testing all high-risk patients, as well as any community members who request such testing. Lead testing is required for many school and daycare applications. Our nursing staff provides thorough case management, which includes various interactions with community members, families, and physician offices, ensuring follow-up testing, home visits, interventions, evidence-based resources, and informative discussions.

In Woodford County, the primary contributors to elevated lead levels seem to be lead-based paint in older homes and contaminated soil. To reduce exposure, we recommend the following precautions:

- Avoid areas with high lead concentrations
- Refrain from wearing shoes indoors
- Use wet sanding during renovations in homes built before 1978
- Opt for wet washing instead of dry mopping
- Follow dietary guidelines to minimize lead absorption

Our nursing staff is trained to conduct home visits and evaluate areas with high lead levels to support state officials. Reports of elevated lead levels have come from various pediatric offices, Tri-County health providers, and the IDPH lab. Families have received education through phone calls, and informational materials, along with developmental screenings, were mailed to the homes of all new cases. While families and guardians are encouraged to permit nurses to conduct home visits, they have the option to decline; however, state environmental staff are required to perform a home visit.

# Environmental Health

Eric Lane

Director of Environmental Health

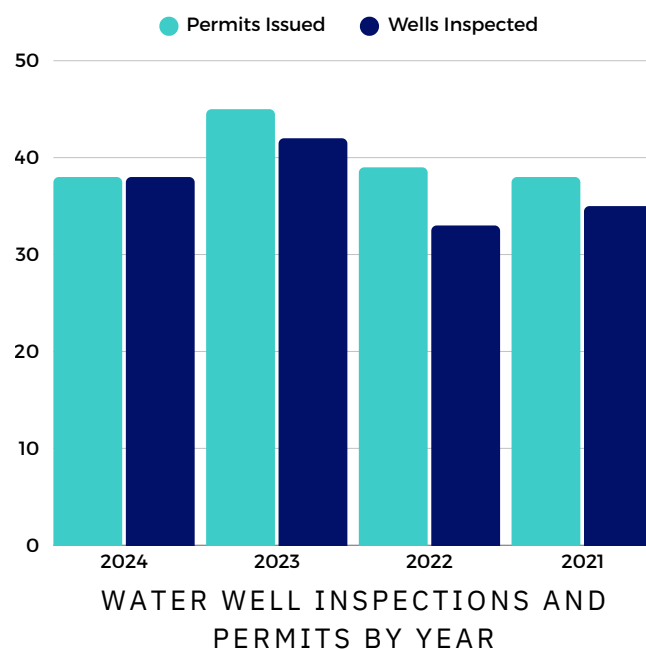
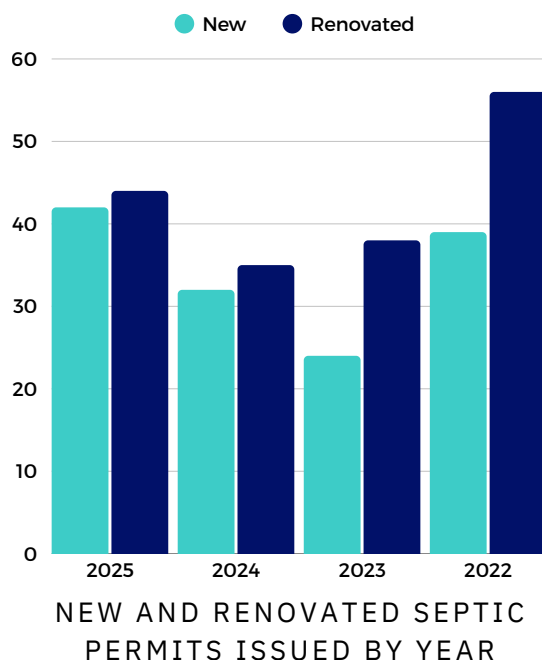


## Local Health Protection Grant

The Woodford County Health Department is awarded the Local Health Protection Grant annually to carry out essential public health core services. These services encompass food safety, septic systems, water quality, and the management of communicable diseases, as mandated by the Illinois General Assembly Administrative Code.

## Septic and Water Well Program

The Septic and Water Well Program focuses on safeguarding drinking water supplies for residents outside city water treatment areas and preventing pollution by enforcing standards for proper on-site sewage disposal. The program offers several services, including permitting and inspecting all newly constructed or renovated water wells, closed-loop wells, and sewage disposal systems. It also inspects wells and sewage systems during real estate transactions, interprets and reports water sample results, and oversees safe drinking water systems for all non-community wells serving more than 25 people. Additionally, the program investigates and resolves complaints and provides educational materials and presentations upon request. For further details, please refer to Appendix D.



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# Environmental Health

Eric Lane

Director of Environmental Health



## West Nile Virus Program

The Woodford County Health Department conducts surveillance to monitor birds and insects that can potentially carry West Nile Virus. Mosquitoes can either carry the virus or get it by feeding on infected birds. West Nile Virus is the most common mosquito-borne disease. The collection and testing of dead birds is an important part of West Nile Virus monitoring. Residents can assist with West Nile surveillance by reporting dead birds to the health department.

A large part of the West Nile Virus program is to reduce the breeding grounds for mosquitoes that may carry West Nile Virus. One such breeding location is in the water that collects in tires left outdoors. In 2025, the Woodford County Health Department, along with the Illinois EPA, sponsored tire collection events, one held May 2 & 5 for Units of Local Government and another held October 28 & 29 for Woodford County residents. The spring collection yielded **960** tires, or **18.63** tons. During the fall event, **3,962** tires were collected from the public and an additional **469** tires from Units of Local Government, equaling **79.71 tons** of tires.

The Health Department also packed hundreds of West Nile Virus protection kits which were handed out at Woodford County events during the summer and fall. These kits included information on how to protect yourself and your family from West Nile Virus and items such as insect repellent, hand sanitizer, bandages, first aid cream, and tweezers.





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# Environmental Health

Eric Lane

Director of Environmental Health



## Tick Surveillance

In 2025, WCHD was awarded a tick surveillance grant. Tick surveillance plays a crucial role in understanding where ticks are spreading, how abundant they are, and what diseases they may carry. One of the most widely used field methods is the tick drag technique, where a white cloth is pulled across vegetation to collect ticks that latch on as a potential host passes by. This simple but effective approach helps researchers map tick populations, monitor changes over time, and detect emerging species or pathogens. Strong surveillance programs allow public health teams to identify risk areas early, guide prevention strategies, and support community awareness about tick-borne disease monitoring.

## Radon Program

Testing for radon is essential because it is the only way to know whether this invisible, odorless radioactive gas is accumulating in your home. Radon forms naturally in soil and rock, and it can seep indoors through cracks and openings, sometimes reaching levels that significantly increase the risk of lung cancer. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer overall and the leading cause among people who have never smoked. Since any home—new or old, well-sealed or drafty—can have elevated radon levels, we urge all homeowners to test regularly. Radon testing is simple, inexpensive, and one of the most effective steps you can take to protect your indoor air quality and long-term health.

In 2025, over 300 radon test kits were distributed by the Health Department. A vast majority of these kits were provided free of charge thanks to grant funding during Radon Action Month, which occurs in January. Staff members follow up with homeowners who show an elevated level of radon in their homes, providing education on next steps to lower those levels.



# Environmental Health

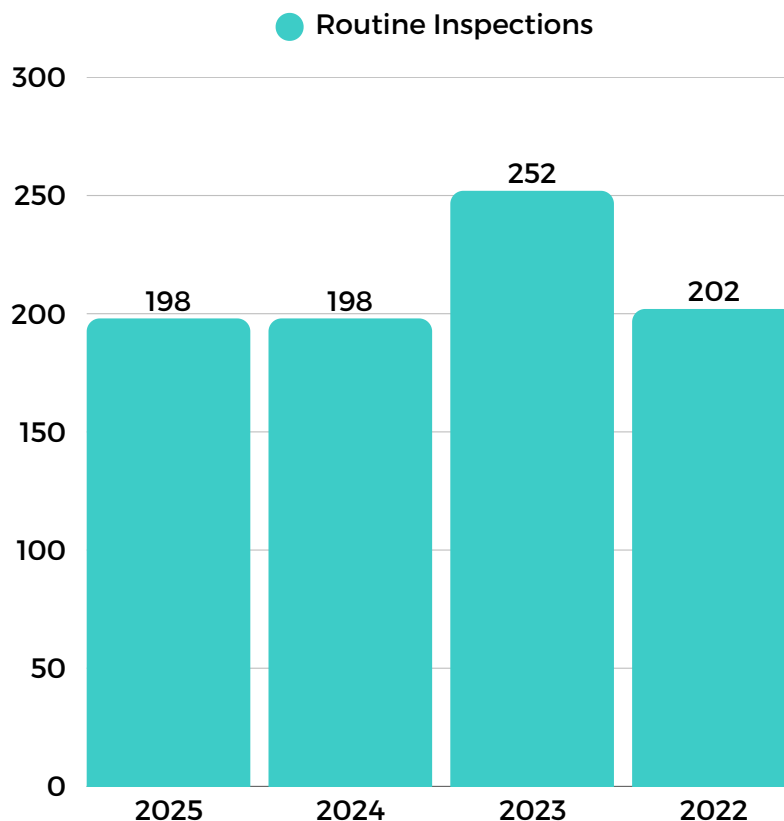
Paul Wilkins

Environmental Health Inspector



The Food Protection Program at the Woodford County Health Department is dedicated to enhancing food safety through education. Our team offers a variety of educational resources, such as free in-service programs, Certified Food Protection Manager Certification courses, consultations, and public awareness initiatives. Additionally, we provide customized training and plan design consulting for new retail food establishments.

To ensure compliance with the Illinois Food Code and the Woodford County Retail Food Establishment Sanitation Ordinance, our team conducts regular inspections and oversees food service operations in retail food establishments. With 190 licensed and operating retail food service establishments in the county at the end of 2025, we ensure that all regulations are strictly followed. For more details, please refer to Appendix C.



# Environmental Health

Paul Wilkins  
Tobacco Coordinator



## Illinois Tobacco-Free Communities

Funded by the Illinois Department of Public Health, Woodford County Health Department offers programming through the Illinois Tobacco-Free Communities (ITFC) regional grant. The grant supports efforts in Woodford County to establish tobacco and e-cigarette (vaping) prevention and control programs to prevent tobacco and e-cigarette (vaping) use, eliminate exposure to second-hand smoke, and eliminate tobacco-related health disparities.



### ILLINOIS TOBACCO-FREE COMMUNITIES

**Live, Work, and Play  
Tobacco-Free in  
Peoria, Tazewell &  
Woodford counties**



2025 was the seventh year of Illinois Tobacco-Free Communities regional grant funding, allowing Woodford County Health Department to collaborate with Peoria City/County Health Department, Tazewell County Health Department, and Hult Center for Healthy Living, a department of Carle Health, along with participating in the Partnership for a Healthy Community ([healthyhoi.org](https://healthyhoi.org)). The regional grant continues to increase funding for each individual agency, as well as the tri-county region, along with collaboration on policy initiatives and activities to promote a tobacco-free lifestyle. Some of the tri-county ITFC grant activities included promoting tobacco-free and/or smoke-free policies for multi-unit housing, outdoor spaces (parks, athletic fields, and outdoor events) and campuses (colleges, trade schools, businesses, and health care facilities), along with promoting the Illinois Tobacco Quitline (ITQL).

# Environmental Health

Paul Wilkins  
Tobacco Coordinator



## Smoke-Free Illinois Act

Woodford County Health Department educates business establishments on compliance with the Smoke-Free Illinois Act. Since January 1, 2024, the Smoke-Free Illinois Act (SFIA) prohibits the use of e-cigarettes, vapes, and other electronic smoking devices in public places, places of employment, and within 15 feet of any entrance, exit, open window, or ventilation intake. The Smoke-Free Illinois Act is enforced through a partnership with local law enforcement. Local law enforcement agencies, along with health department staff, conduct compliance checks at food establishments and non-food establishments, and follow-up with enforcement on any complaints received or violations observed. There were 48 compliance checks conducted at county establishments in FY2025, and 80 compliance checks conducted in FY2024.

## Illinois Tobacco Quitline

Woodford County Health Department promotes the Illinois Tobacco Quitline. Through the Illinois Tobacco Quitline, Woodford County residents can receive free assistance and the necessary tools to successfully quit tobacco products. The Illinois Tobacco Quitline can also help individuals quit e-cigarettes or vaping. Specialized counselors give personalized assistance while residents are in the process of quitting. Qualified individuals may also have access to nicotine replacement products through the mail. Residents can call 1-866-Quit-Yes or visit [quityes.org](http://quityes.org).



# Partnership for a Healthy Community



The Partnership for a Healthy Community (PFHC) is a collaborative initiative dedicated to improving health outcomes across Peoria, Tazewell, and Woodford Counties. Guided by the 2025 Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) and the forthcoming 2026–2028 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), PFHC has identified three priority areas for the next planning cycle:

## **Youth Food Insecurity**

Goal: Reduce the percentage of youth screening positive for food insecurity by 1.5% and increase screenings by 10% by 2028.

Strategies: Nutrition resource mapping, family food literacy programs, and community outreach campaigns.

## **Access to Behavioral Health Services**

Goal: Increase mental health screenings in primary care settings by 2% and improve follow-up care after emergency department visits for youth by 5% by 2028.

Strategies: Develop a centralized behavioral health resource directory, strengthen provider coordination, and expand family support programs.

## **Suicidal Ideation & Self-Harm Among Young People**

Goal: Reduce suicide mortality among adolescents and young adults by 1% and decrease emergency department visits for self-harm by 2% by 2028.

Strategies: Suicide prevention education, stigma reduction initiatives, and workforce capacity building.

## **Key Findings from CHNA 2025**

- Population: Approximately 38,348 residents, with a notable increase in the 65+ age group (up 6.9%).
- Poverty Rate: 6.9%, lower than the Illinois average, yet food insecurity among youth remains a concern (estimated at 14% region-wide).
- Mental Health: Ranked as the most important health issue by 22% of survey respondents.
- Suicide Mortality: 12 per 100,000—higher than the Illinois state average.



# Partnership for a Healthy Community



## Community Engagement & Hunger Action Month

Woodford County Health Department actively participated in Hunger Action Month initiatives, including:

- Hunger Action Walk: 101 participants collected and distributed 1,184.9 pounds of food to local food banks.
- Awareness Campaigns: Social media outreach, proclamations by county boards, and educational activities such as reading Lulu and the Hunger Monster to over 450 children.
- CHNA Surveys: Conducted at community events, food pantries, and fairs to ensure local voices informed planning.

## Collaborative Actions

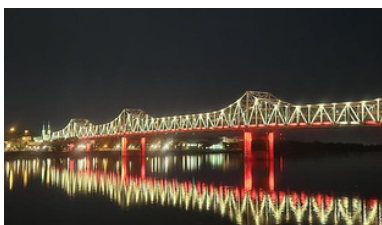
PFHC partners implemented evidence-based programs and resource development efforts, including:

- Mental Health First Aid and QPR Suicide Prevention Training.
- HEAL (Healthy Eating Active Living) initiatives to promote nutrition and physical activity.
- Creation of a centralized behavioral health directory, improved care coordination, and advocacy for policies that expand access and equity.

## Looking Ahead

These priorities and strategies reflect a shared commitment to building a healthier, more resilient Woodford County—where families have reliable access to nutritious food, behavioral health services are accessible and coordinated, and young people feel supported and valued.

For more information on the Partnership, visit [healthyhoi.org](https://healthyhoi.org)



2025 Tri-County Hunger Walk at Eureka Lake. Murray Baker Bridge lit orange for Hunger Action Month.





# 2025 Highlights

In 2025, we accomplished a lot at the Woodford County Health Department. Here are some of the highlights!

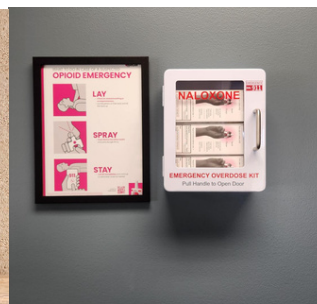
- Hired a new Health Department Administrator, Bethanie Albrecht
- Completed remodeling project that included clinic and lab rooms, staff offices, vaccine room, and waiting area
- Summer intern, Hannah Martin, developed a presentation on the financial benefits of Public Health in Woodford County. Hannah was invited to present her research at the American Public Health Association conference in Washington D.C.
- Helped to organize the 2025 Tri-County Hunger walk, which was held at Eureka Lake in September
- Organized tire collection events, collecting almost 100 tons of tires to help prevent West Nile Virus
- Created and distributed West Nile Virus prevention and care pouches to share at community events
- Began a Woodford County Employee Health newsletter, sharing about health services available to County employees
- Developed a Board of Health newsletter to keep Board members up-to-date on what is happening at the Health Department in between regular meetings
- Received dementia training from Dr. Gary Knepp to become a Dementia friendly workplace
- Participated in the Eureka 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade - tossing out Lead prevention giveaways from our float!
- Installed a FREE opioid overdose dispensing box in lobby and offered trainings throughout the community
- Created and supported a community micropantry in our lobby
- Dispensing Drill held in spring
- Fluoride Dental Varnish program offered in clinic
- Packed Respiratory Care Kits to provide tools to use in time of illness, as well as tips to prevent respiratory illness
- Received EPA Sharps grant to install Household Sharps Disposal Kiosks throughout Woodford County
- Held Open House during Public Health Week in April to showcase updates to clinic and waiting area
- Through Partnership for a Healthy Community, **20,188** meals were served to families in Spring Bay and surrounding areas through the SUN Meals-to-Go program during Summer 2025





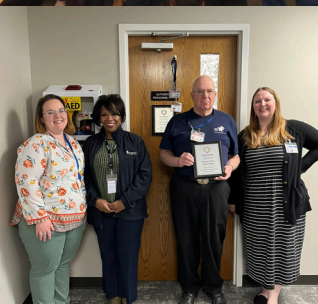
## WHERE WE WERE

Our staff participated in a variety of community events, including Metamora Old Settlers, El Paso Corn Festival, Eureka 4th of July Parade, Tri-County Hunger Walk, and the Clean Water Celebration, among many others. In addition, we shared our knowledge by reading books on hunger to preschoolers and delivering presentations at libraries, Rotary clubs, and schools. It was wonderful to connect with all of you!



## WELCOME TO OUR BUILDING

- Remodeled clinic and waiting area
- Installed Opioid dispensing box
- Created Community Micropantry
- Dementia Friendly Business
- Open House during Public Health Week



## COMMUNITY MICROPANTRY

Need a little extra support this week?  
Or looking for a way to give back?

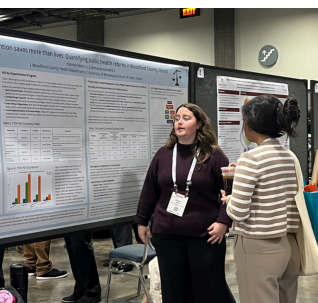


Our Community Micropantry is here for you - take what you need, leave what you can. Located just inside the Health Department (but not run by it), this grassroots effort helps neighbors access shelf-stable food and basic items.



## SERVICES WE OFFERED

- Community Tire Collection Event
- Opioid Training
- Respiratory Care Kits
- West Nile Virus Pouches
- Lead Outreach



## NEW INITIATIVES

- County Employee Health Newsletter
- Board of Health Newsletter
- Presented Research at National Conference
- Residential Sharps Grant





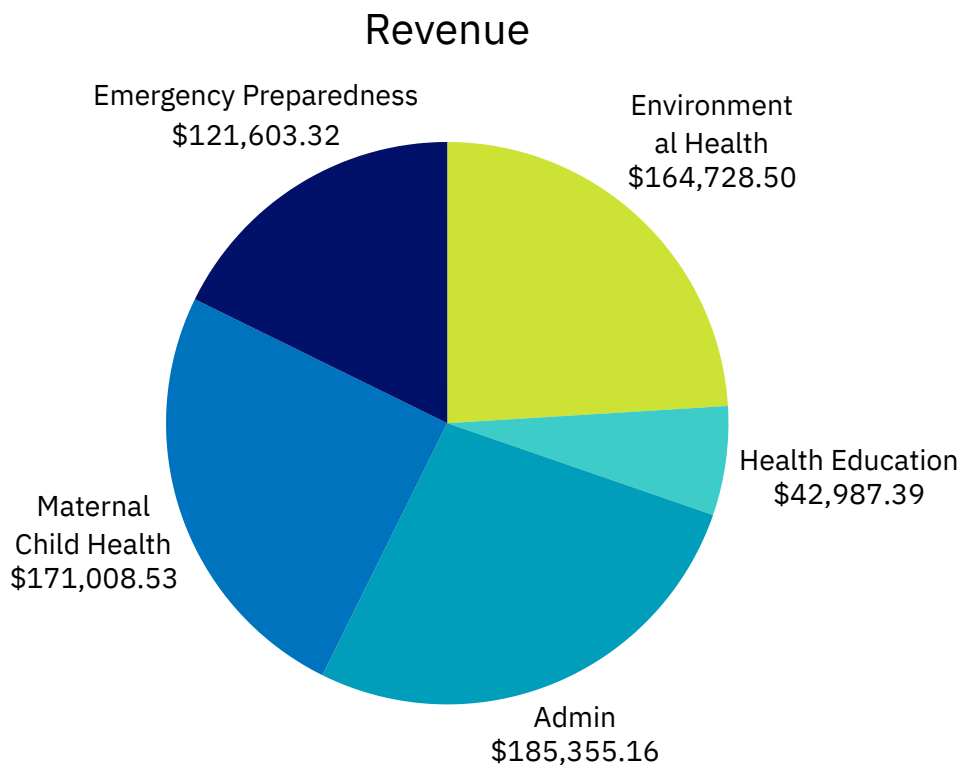
# Fiscal Report

Jenna Tallyn  
Billing and Compliance Coordinator



The Woodford County Health Department is funded through a combination of federal, state, and local resources. This includes support from the Woodford County tax levy, along with state and federal grants. Furthermore, WCHD generates revenue by offering various environmental health and clinical health services.

For more comprehensive financial information, please refer to Appendix A.



# Fiscal Report

Revenues	
Environmental Health	
Food Program Fees	\$43,390.00
Plan Review	-
Health Protection Grant	\$75,000.00
Non-Community Water Grant	\$1,512.50
Rabies Testing	-
Radon Kits	\$270.00
Tanning	\$450.00
Vector Control Grant	\$15,756.00
Water & Septic Fees	\$28,350.00
Health Education	
Illinois Tobacco Free Grant	\$40,987.39
Opioid Grant	\$2,000.00
Admin	
Admin Misc.	-
Interest Income	\$42,369.16
Property Taxes	\$142,986.00
Maternal Child Health	
Childhood Lead Grant	\$16,500.00
Hemoglobin	-
Immunizations	\$10,381.00
Labs	\$2,529.00
Lead	\$258.00
Medicaid	\$654.82
Medicare	\$14,792.81
Respiratory Grant	\$35,000.00
STI Testing Fees	\$186.00
TB Testing Fees	\$1,640.00
Third Party Billing- Managed Care	\$4,543.57
Third Party Billing- Private	\$22,079.07
WIC Farmers Market Grant	\$1,500.00
WIC Program	\$60,944.26
Emergency Preparedness	
Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) Grant	\$73,352.37
PH Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)	\$48,250.95
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$685,682.90</b>
Revenue by Department	
Environmental Health	\$164,728.50
Health Education	\$42,987.39
Admin	\$185,355.16
Maternal Child Health	\$171,008.53
Emergency Preparedness	\$121,603.32

Expenditures	Stmt R/E
Department Head Salary	\$81,937.57
Full Time	\$476,349.38
Part Time	\$49,703.59
Employee Overtime	-
New Equipment	\$2,041.16
Contingent	\$29,424.33
TB Services	\$2,592.02
Contractual	\$191,348.36
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$833,396.41</b>
6 Month Certificate of Deposit	\$573,856.53
Pooled Money Market Account	\$561,504.55
Fund Balance 11/30/2024	\$1,135,361.08
Fund Balance	
11/30/2024	\$1,283,074.59
11/30/2025	\$1,135,361.08
Difference	(\$147,713.51)
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$685,682.90</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$833,396.41</b>
<b>Net/Income/Loss</b>	<b>(\$147,713.51)</b>



# Clinical Services Report

## Woodford County Communicable Disease FY2025

Campylobacteriosis	17	Pertussis	3
Chlamydia	56	Rabies, Potential Human Exposure	7
Gonorrhea	12	Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) with ICU	1
Haemophilus Influenzae Invasive Disease	4	Salmonellosis	8
Hepatitis B Acute	1	Covid-19 with ICU Hospitalization	6
Hepatitis B Chronic	14	Shigellosis	1
Hepatitis C Virus Chronic Infection	33	Streptococcal Disease Invasive Group A	2
Histoplasmosis	1	Streptococcus Invasive Group A Necrotizing	1
Influenza with ICU Hospitalization	7	Syphilis	4
Lyme Disease	7	Varicella (Chickenpox)	1
Measles	2	West Nile Neuroinvasive Disease	1
Mumps	1	Sum:	155

\*All communicable disease cases must be worked to completion, no matter if the outcome is determined to be a confirmed case, probable case, or not a case. This chart only represents the confirmed cases. It does not account for time spent on investigations that were determined to be anything other than a confirmed case.

\*STI numbers are now reported by the location where the patient lives, not where the testing occurred, as in previous years

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Immunizations	FY'24 YTD	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	FY'25 YTD
Immunizations Private	311	17	4	6	1	8	3	7	9	15	17	57	17	161
Immunizations VFC	443	40	22	30	34	24	28	33	40	63	48	35	23	420
Flu Private	246	14	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	50	137	18	221
Flu VFC	18	3	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	8	19
TB Screenings-86580	68	6	9	2	7	3	7	8	12	8	5	1	3	71
Lead Screenings- 36416	40	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	8	5	2	0	2	20
Monthly Open Lead- Elevated Cases	N/A	2	1	1	1	2	0	2	2	2	2	3	3	N/A
Lab Testing Clients	32	5	2	1	2	6	4	1	3	1	4	5	0	34
Lab Tests Completed	118	16	9	3	9	21	14	6	9	1	15	18	0	121
STD Testing (Urine &/or Blood)- 99000	13	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	6
Urine Collection/Grab Bag	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	5
STD Treatment Following Testing	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STD Patients- Treatment Only	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assigned Caseload	235	241	241	241	241	241	241	241	244	244	244	244	244	241
Number Served (Average)	206	213	208	207	201	210	202	195	212	205	196	195	202	203.83
% Assigned Case Load (Average)	84.23%	88.38%	86.30%	85.89%	83.40%	87.14%	83.80%	80.91%	87.97%	85.06%	81.33%	79.92%	82.80%	84.41%
Prenatal/Post Partum Screening	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	5	3	18
Ages & Stages Screening (ASQ)- 96110	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	28	13	14	68
Dental Varnish- D1206	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	3	9	20

## Environmental Health Food Program

### **Demographics**

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>
Number of full time inspectors in food	2	2	2
Number of formal trainings (travel) for staff	2	3	0
Number of in-house trainings for staff	8	3	16

### **Establishment Statistics**

Retail food establishments active at fiscal year end	190	193	192
Total food establishment permits issued for fiscal year	192	196	195
Routine Inspections	198	198	252
Establishments cited for Repeat Core Violations	16	32	45
In-services in lieu of 3rd inspection	0	5	2
Follow-up inspections conducted	0	1	2
Plan reviews completed	15	13	15
Pre-Operational Inspections	14	18	12
New Food Establishments	13	13	9
Temporary Food Establishment Inspections	154	158	156
Cottage Food Operations	20	18	1

### **Public Training**

Trainings to food workers, schools, and the public	3	19	4
Certified Food Protection Managers	7	5	0

### **Enforcement and Compliance**

Complaint Investigations	20	20	22
Number of Compliance/Enforcement Proceedings	0	0	0
Number of Holds/Embargoes Issued	0	0	0

## Environmental Health

### Water & Septic Program, Vector and Radon Program

<b><u>Sewage Program</u></b>				
<b>Sewage Permits Issued</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>	<b><u>2022</u></b>
New	42	32	24	39
Renovated	44	35	38	56
<b>Sewage Systems Inspected</b>				
New	30	27	27	34
Renovated	37	30	41	49
<b>Sewage Complaints</b>	6	9	2	8
<b><u>Water Program</u></b>				
Closed Loop Well Permits	3	4	2	11
Closed Loop Wells Inspected	3	4	2	11
Water Well Permits	48	38	45	39
Water Wells Inspected	37	38	42	33
Non-Community Wells	14	14	15	15
Water Sample Results	112	221	254	277
Water Complaints	2	4	1	1
<b><u>Vector Program</u></b>				
WNV educational events/displays	6	4	2	1
Number of bird specimens collected and tested	0	3	4	4
Number of bird specimens positive for WNV	0	1	0	0
Mosquito traps set to test mosquitoes for WNV	22	31	34	32
Number of Mosquito pools positive for WNV	0	0	0	0
Number of humans positive for WNV	0	0	0	0
Number of used tires collections	3	1	1	1
<b><u>Radon Program</u></b>				
Radon Test Kits Distributed/Sold	230	22	10	15

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