



Monroe County
Health Department

2014 Annual Report

Vision

Healthy Monroe County – A Knowledgeable, Safe and Active Community

Mission Statement

The mission of the Monroe County Health Department is to protect the public through health promotion, disease prevention, and preservation of the environment.

Agency Values

Respect – *We provide client centered services in a client friendly environment with consideration and courtesy to our partners, clients and colleagues.*

Professionalism – *We are skilled and dedicated to the services provided and present ourselves to clients, peers, and community partners with appropriate appearance and behavior.*

Communication – *We utilize excellent listening, oral and written communication skills.*

Attitude – *Our demeanor, actions and words spoken with partners, clients and colleagues reflect a positive attitude.*

Integrity – *We ensure honesty, accountability and fiscal responsibility for our actions to the community and its citizens.*

Teamwork - *We provide effective and efficient service through collaboration with partners, clients and colleagues.*

Leadership – *We demonstrate leadership related to quality public health for all citizens of Monroe County, our partners, clients and colleagues.*

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Message from the Health Officer

On behalf of the Monroe County Health Department and the Board of Commissioners, I would like to present the 2014 Monroe County Health Department Annual Report. Monroe County Health Department is dedicated to the health of the county of Monroe and we are proud to provide services that help make Monroe County one of the best places to live, work and play.

Throughout this report you will notice that many individuals are touched and supported by the highly talented and professional staff at the Monroe County Health Department. A few years ago, the Health Department made major changes to the way services are provided to its clients. A process to integrate all services was implemented in an effort to prevent multiple visits for clients. By utilizing staff trained in various programs, the Health Department is now better prepared to serve the needs of its clients. Clients are assessed by either a nurse or dietician at every visit to ensure that concerns will be identified and managed without delay. Approximately 18,000 direct client service encounters were provided in 2014 to more than 12,000 individual clients.

In partnership with Promedica Monroe Regional Hospital, the Health Department secured funding from the Monroe County Health Plan to conduct a comprehensive community health needs assessment in the county. The assessment report will be ready in mid- summer of 2015 from the Hospital Council of Northwest Ohio. Preparation for the assessment involved a variety of community partners and was coordinated by the Building Healthy Communities Coalition. Such an assessment is critical in determining allocation of funds and resources and will benefit all Monroe County communities. Follow up to the Community Health Assessment will be the development of a Community Health Improvement Plan which will focus on effectively addressing the needs identified in the Health Assessment Report.

The Monroe County Health Department implemented a new community health education program in 2014. The program is titled Live Well Be Well and focuses on educating and leading Monroe County residents to eat healthy, be active and prevent chronic disease. The team has provided a wide variety of healthy lifestyle education events from grocery shopping tours to teaching kids how to prepare healthy snacks as well as providing health education sessions in schools. The Health Department is very excited about this program as we know that making healthy choices is imperative to living a long healthy life.

Finally, the Health Department successfully completed their fifth cycle of accreditation from the Michigan Department of Community Health through a week long on-site review of programs and agency policies/procedures. The department also voluntarily completed the Quality Improvement component of accreditation, which proved successful.

I would like to thank the Monroe County Board of Commissioners and Mr. Michael Bosanac, County Administrator for their continued support of local public health.

Sincerely,



Kim Comerzan, MSN, RN, CNS
Health Officer/Director

Monroe County Vital Statistics

Data	2011	2012	2013	2014
Population	151,532	150,931	150,376	N/A
65 yrs of age or older	21,001	22,036	22,835	N/A
% of population	13.9%	14.6%	15.2%	N/A
Total Live Births	1,596	1,530	1,520	N/A
Low Weight Births (<2500 gms)	127	118	106	N/A
Teen Pregnancy Rate (15-19) (per 1,000 live births)	36.8	37.4	38.4	N/A
Total Deaths	1,377	1,425	1,426	N/A
Age under 50	82	86	97	N/A
Age 50-74	535	582	590	N/A
Age 75 and older	759	757	738	N/A
Total Infant Deaths	3	9	15	N/A
Infant Death Rate (per 1000 live births)	*	5.9	9.9	N/A

* A rate is not calculated when there are fewer than 6 events, because the width of the confidence interval would negate any usefulness for comparative purposes.

<http://www.mdch.state.mi.us>

Monroe County Leading Causes of Death

Cause of Death	2011	2012	2013	2014
All Causes of Death	1,377	1,421	1,426	N/A
Heart Disease	384	352	352	N/A
Cancer	290	332	373	N/A
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	90	97	86	N/A
Stroke	65	73	67	N/A
Unintentional Injuries (Accidents)	77	90	83	N/A
Alzheimer's Disease	27	29	36	N/A
Diabetes Mellitus	44	48	49	N/A
Kidney Disease	37	29	24	N/A
Pneumonia/Influenza	24	18	13	N/A
Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	19	23	18	N/A
Homicide (Assault)	1	1	5	N/A
All Other Causes	319	329	320	N/A

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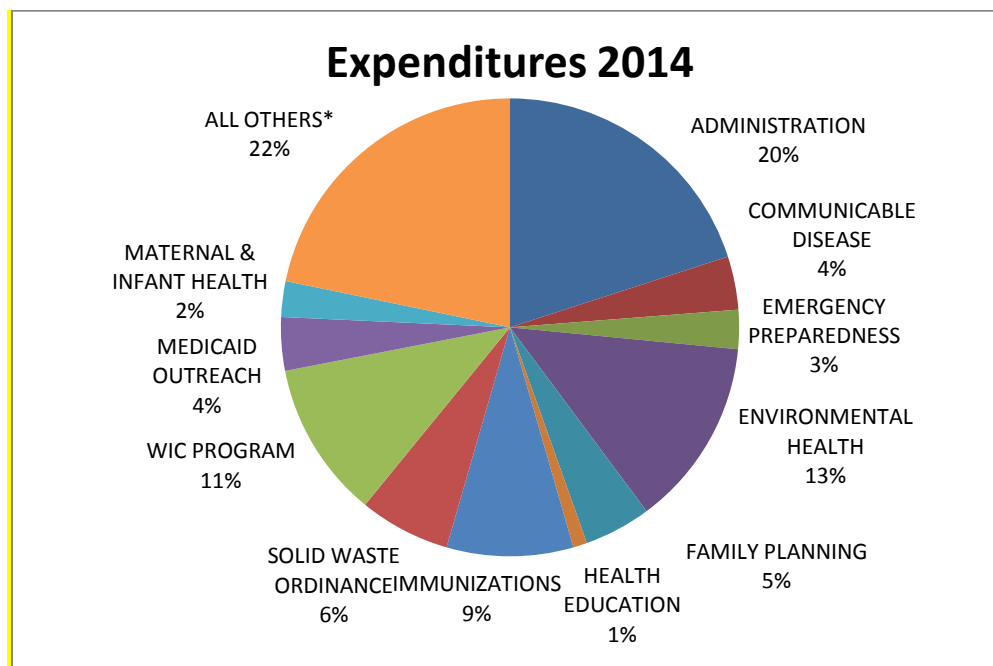
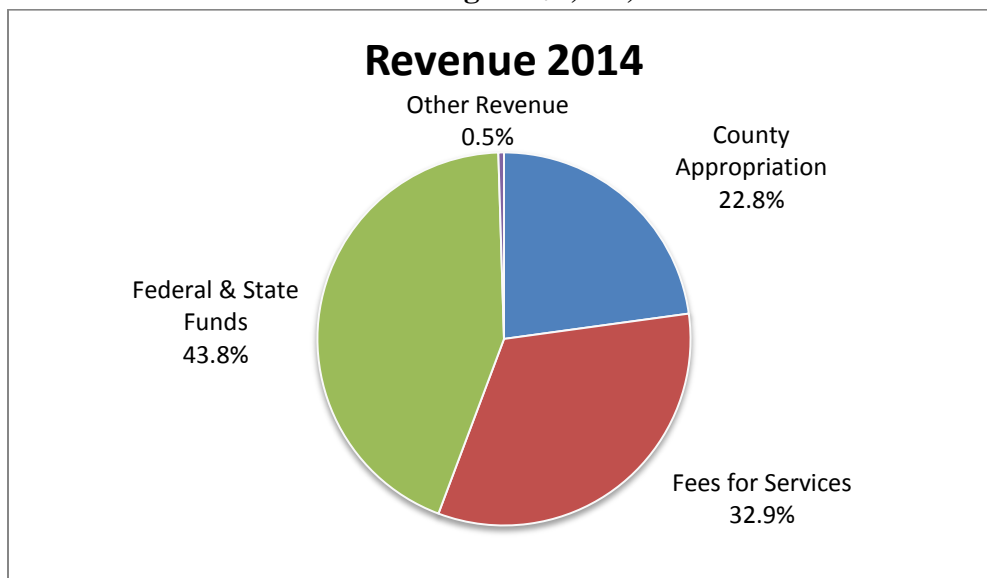
Monroe County Health Rankings 2014 (Snapshot)

Monroe County	2014	2013	Michigan 2014	Monroe Rank 2014 (of 82)	Monroe Rank 2013 (of 82)
Health Outcomes				35	37
Length of Life				28	28
Quality of Life				47	47
Poor or fair health	15%	14%	14%		
Poor physical health days	3.6	3.5	3.6		
Poor mental health days	3.9	3.8	3.7		
Low birth weight	7.2%	7.2%	8.4%		
Health Factors				30	43
Health Behaviors				31	58
Adult Smoking	20%	21%	20%		
Adult Obesity	33%	35%	32%		
Physical inactivity	25%	28%	24%		
Excessive drinking	22%	23%	18%		
Sexually transmitted infections	233	206	N/A		
Teen Births	27	28	N/A		
Clinical Care				57	73
Uninsured	10%	11%	14%		
Preventable hospital stays	93	88	70		
Diabetic screening	85%	77%	85%		
Mammography screening	59%	62%	65%		
Social & Economic Factors				16	18
High School graduation	80%	80%	76%		
Some College	60%	59%	65%		
Unemployment	8.0%	9.7%	9.1%		
Children in poverty	16%	18%	25%		
Inadequate social support	23%	23%	20%		
Children in single parent households	28%	26%	33%		
Physical Environment				77	68
Air pollution-particulate matter	12.9	12.3	11.5		
Drinking water violations	0%	0%	1%		

www.countyhealthrankings.org

Monroe County Health Department 2014 Revenue & Expenses

Total Budget = \$4,530,111



*OTHER PROGRAMS

Children's Special Healthcare.....	2.02%	Clean Sweep.....	0.47%
FDA Tobacco.....	0.008%	Hearing & Vision.....	2.85%
Information Technology.....	2.64%	Maternal & Child Health.....	1.48%
Non- Community Water.....	1.69%	Seasonal Flu.....	0.67%
Substance Abuse.....	8.69%	Vaccine Quality Assurance.....	1.16%

Programs and Services of the Monroe County Health Department

Environmental Health It is the responsibility of Environmental Health to ensure a healthy relationship between the public and its environment by enforcement of federal, state and county rules and regulations put in place to protect the safety and well being of Monroe County residents. This is handled through food service inspections, water quality management, community health and safety, sewage management and solid waste management.

Personal Health Services Various programs are required by the Michigan Public Health Code to aid in assuring the health of the community. Immunization services and communicable disease reporting, investigation and control are just a couple. Also provided are sexually transmitted infection testing and treatment, blood pressure checks, injection medication administration, pregnancy testing, head lice checks and treatment as well as family planning services.

Maternal & Child Services These programs assist women to achieve a healthy pregnancy, delivery and through the child's formative years. Programs include the Maternal Infant Health Program where pregnant women covered by Medicaid can receive nursing, social work and nutrition services to support their pregnancy and infant up to one year of age; Children's Special Health Care Services offers assistance for families with children who have chronic or disabling medical conditions in paying for medical care and coordination of services; Women, Infant & Children (WIC) supplemental food program providing nutrition assessment, education and healthy food supplements for eligible pregnant, breastfeeding and post-partum women, infants and children up to age five.

Health Promotion Health education program "Live Well Be Well" offering education courses for overall health in both individual and class settings. Courses focusing on nutrition, physical activity and preventing chronic illnesses are provided in schools, through grocery shopping tours, in class room settings, during activities as well as in support group settings. Live Well Be Well publishes a monthly newsletter posted to the Health Department website that offers classes each month along with healthy recipes. The Hearing & Vision program provides hearing and vision screening for all pre-school and school-age children in all Monroe County schools each year.

Monroe Dental Clinic Through a partnership with Michigan Community Dental Clinics, this dental clinic was established and shares the Health Department building. The clinic provides quality dental care to Medicaid recipients and low income, uninsured adults as well as children covered by Medicaid, Healthy Kids Dental and MI Child. Michigan Community Dental Clinics (MCDC) opened the doors to Monroe County residents on April 1, 2013.

Public Health Preparedness Through a variety of partnerships with community agencies, the program develops, implements, and evaluates disaster preparedness plans. Protection of Monroe County residents during emergencies is a critical concern. Design and participation in exercises that test our response capabilities include annual FERMI drills, medication dispensing sites and emergency contact notification. The Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) is a component of Public Health Preparedness whereby volunteers are trained to respond and assist in multiple types of emergencies.

Insurance Enrollment With the enactment of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in 2013, the Health Department has staff trained to assist individuals and families in applying for health insurance, including all state funded insurance plans and Medicaid

Medical Examiner Office Some deaths are referred to the county medical examiner for investigation to determine and certify the cause of death per the Michigan Public Health Code. This includes deaths that occur more than 10 days after the deceased was seen by a physician, the cause of death appears to be other than the illness or medical condition for which the deceased was being treated or if the attending physician cannot accurately determine the cause of death.

Health Department Services 2010- 2014

Environmental Health	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Campground Inspections	27	24	20	17	16
Septic System Inspections	33	32	61	266	280
Child Care Inspections	35	42	58	39	29
Tattoo Facility Inspections	19	4	6	8	8
Water Permits	40	88	106	101	77
Swimming Pool Inspections	102	76	50	70	66
Sewage Permits	91	115	105	133	140
Food Complaints	92	54	52	33	35
Engineer Plan Reviews	12	14	15	40	33
Soil Site Assessments	38	47	54	100	101
Temporary Food Permits	152	143	141	119	96
Restaurant Inspections	994	932	926	1056	932
Restaurant Plan Reviews	28	24	29	22	23
Nuisance Complaints	217	115	153	104	93
Non-Community Water Sanitary Survey	24	37	19	27	21
Household Hazardous Waste Participants	1191	1314	1512	1739	1540
Personal Health Services	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Communicable Diseases Reported	4978	5270	5836	7306	7802
Communicable Diseases Investigated	796	859	805	845	589
Flu like Illness Reported	4182	4411	5031	6461	6880
Sexually Transmitted Infection Screening	774	732	626	446	367
Sexually Transmitted Infection Treatment	194	270	242	200	406
Family Planning Services	1845	1783	1332	1061	781
HIV Counseling, Education & Testing	265	225	36	30	17
Influenza Vaccination	2660	1644	1563	1610	1441
Immunizations	9057	5371	4902	5886	4127
Maternal/Child Services	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Maternal Infant Health Services	N/A	N/A	396	387	293
Children's Special Health Care Services	410	396	412	411	458
Women, Infant & Children (WIC) Services	5476	5391	3324	5223	4088
Childhood Lead Testing	696	745	578	488	293
Health Promotion	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Health Education Clients Served	575	1220	472	249	2429
Hearing Screening	7507	1621	8032	7061	7679
Vision Screening	9509	1975	7900	7824	7541
Monroe Dental Clinic	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Monroe Health Department Clinic	948	832	430	170	N/A
Michigan Community Dental Clinic	N/A	N/A	N/A	992	1706
Insurance Enrollment	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Mi Child/Healthy Kids	353	279			N/A
Medicaid/Insurance Exchange	N/A	N/A	N/A		369
Medical Examiner	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Death Cases Reviewed	139	162	197	180	190

Additional Accomplishments and Partnership Initiatives

- The Monroe County Health Department participated in the completion of the biennial EPA Fermi Drill (Hostile Action Plan)
- Held the first Back to School Children's Health Fair which included immunizations, hearing/vision screenings, school and sports physicals, dental services, nutrition education and activities for children and involved many community partners
- Participated in the management of the public drinking water emergency in August through assistance with water delivery, set up phone line to answer questions, made contacts to homebound to provide bottled water and altered infant formula packages to WIC clients who were in the affected water supply area
- Compiled a report on substance abuse in the county including statistics and prevention and treatment resources along with participation in the Drug Summit
- Partnered with the River Raisin National Battlefield Park in the River Raisin Rx project and offered walking tours with a registered nurse
- Participated in the Celebrate Children event at the Mall of Monroe
- Participated in the Earth Day event at the Monroe Bank and Trust Expo Center at the Monroe county fairgrounds
- Hosted a PrepareAthon for Tornado preparedness in the community through the Medical Reserve Corp which is a section of the Public Health Preparedness Program
- In collaboration with the American Red Cross, established a Disaster Planning Workgroup
- Hosted the Monroe County Preparedness Expo at the Mall of Monroe
- In partnership with the Monroe County Library system, began Kids WIC nutrition education which includes nutrition education for parents and story time for children
- Development of a new Baby Behavior prenatal class for WIC clients
- Funded 6 Red Med boxes for expired or no longer needed prescription drugs throughout the county
- The Monroe County Board of Commissioners sponsored 2 additional medication collection events and collected 527 pounds of medication from 231 participants

Recognition of Monroe County Health Department Staff for their Continued Dedication and Service to the Community

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