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Dayton & Montgomery County



# Monthly Update

## September 2017

*Our mission is to lead and innovate by working with our community to achieve the goals of public health: prevention, promotion, and protection.*



### Clinic Renovation

Construction has started to move into the final finish phases with most of the contractors; HVAC work is completed and awaits the final inspection, plumbing is installing sinks, toilets and water fountains, electrical is installing outlets and covers in section 1 and 2 to complete those areas. The flooring contractor is onsite and has started laying vinyl tile in TB exam rooms and hallways, and will move to the STD area next. Ceiling tiles are being installed and finish painting has begun in limited areas. Clinic entry doors, pass through doors for the medical prep areas, and office and hallways doors are being hung and tied into the access card system. New x-ray equipment and moveable file systems are scheduled to be installed later in the month. Exam room equipment and furniture has been ordered for delivery in late October. We are clearly on track to have the clinic fully operational before the end of 2017.



### 18<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out Against Crime Celebration

Public Health's Violence Prevention Program hosted the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out Against Crime Celebration at Residence Park in Dayton on Tuesday, August 1, from 4 to 8 p.m. Over 250 participants attended this family event.

The celebration was a collaborative between Residence Park Neighborhood Association, City of Dayton, Buckeye Health Plan, Victory in Power Ministries, Southwest Priority Board, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office and Public Health. The celebration included visits from Mayor Nan Whaley, and City Commissioners Joey Williams, Jeffery Mims and Chris Shaw. Health Commissioner Jeff Cooper, Police Chief Richard Biehl and his command staff, and other top city officials were also in attendance.

Dignitaries spoke on the importance of working together to reduce crime. Commissioner Cooper addressed the importance of Public Health

programs designed to reduce health disparities within the community. Health screenings, education, music, rock painting, dancing and food were provided by the collaborative. Youth from the Dakota's Center's 3DI Drill, Drum & Dance Team provided entertainment with a spiritual focus.

Public Health also participated in other Night Out Against Crime events throughout the community.



### **Strategic Plan for 2018-2020**

The kickoff meeting for the development of our agency Strategic Plan for 2018-2020 was held on August 18. Evident Analytics, our consultant, met with our staff in the morning and our Board of Health in the afternoon. We have received positive feedback about the kickoff and are excited about moving forward.

Next steps:

- A Community Forum has been scheduled on September 28 from 4-8 pm at the Central State University Dayton Campus.
- Key informant interviews and focus groups for board members, stakeholders, clients and community members are scheduled on September 29.
- A community-wide, online survey is scheduled to be disseminated in October.
- An all-day “offsite” strategic planning retreat is scheduled for Friday, November 17 at the Business Solutions Center.



### **GetUp Keeps Kids Active During Summer Challenge**

This is the second year that GetUp Montgomery County has partnered with Dayton Metro Library's Northwest Branch for the Summer Challenge. Every Tuesday, June 6 – July 25, GetUp followed the free summer lunch program with free physical activity opportunities for the children. Along with Soccer Shots, The Studio Fitness, and Day Yoga, each week brought fun, interactive classes for children. This summer, there were over 150 children in attendance.



### **Public Health Licensing Council**

The Public Health Licensing Council (PHLC) is comprised of business representatives of the various programs that General Services inspects and regulates; restaurants, grocery stores, pools, campgrounds and a person representing the solid waste industry. This Council is part of a system of checks and balances as it pertains to setting fees for the various program licenses and permits. This group meets annually in August. Environmental Health uses calculation formulas that are mandated and provided by the Ohio Department of Health/Agriculture to determine maximum allowable

license fees for the upcoming year. Once the PHLC approves or finalizes any fee recommendations, the changes will be presented at an upcoming Board of Health meeting for public comment and for final approval by the Board of Health. The PHLC also is tasked with appointing one of its members to the Board of Health.



### Project DAWN Naloxone Training

On August 2 Public Health hosted a free *Naloxone Training* session at the Reibold Building. The training was presented by Project DAWN, a community-based overdose education and naloxone distribution program. All staff were invited to attend.

Naloxone is a medication that can reverse the effects of an overdose caused by an opioid drug such as heroin, and pain medications such as OxyContin and Hydrocodone. Participants that completed the training were offered a 2-dose naloxone kit. A total of 35 staff attended the session and 29 kits were distributed.

The primary goal of the training was to prepare Public Health nurses to provide naloxone education and training for area businesses and non-profits. However, all in attendance learned how to administer naloxone to reverse the effects of an overdose. Project DAWN will continue to offer training for individuals, but now Public Health has the capacity to offer naloxone training to organizations in the community.

The next Naloxone Training class is scheduled for October 25, from 1:30-3:30 pm in the Environmental Health Conference Room. If you are interested in attending, email Yevetta Hawley at [yhawley@phdmc.org](mailto:yhawley@phdmc.org) with your request.



### Collective Impact in Action: Addressing Access to Healthy Food

Increasing access to food has been identified as a priority within the United Way/Montgomery County Joint Strategic Plan and as a goal related to Chronic Disease Prevention in the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). In order to work collaboratively to address food access, a broad and diverse group of community stakeholders have joined together to form the Dayton-Montgomery County Food and Hunger Coalition (DMCFHC). The specific aims of this coalition are to reduce food insecurity and increase the availability of healthy, affordable and quality food options for all residents. This group's work focuses on food distribution, feeding school children, improving food available for sale, supporting locally grown food, and providing education and advocacy. The DMCFHC is under the leadership of

Ambassador Tony Hall, Commissioner Judy Dodge and Health Commissioner Jeff Cooper.

At last week's meeting of the Advisory Board, workgroups updated the Board on their current and planned activities.

- The **food-for-sale workgroup** is focusing on distributing local produce to corner stores. Based on customer surveys, it was recommended that corner stores offer all the ingredients needed to make a complete meal in the same section. Beginning in September, the Food Mart located on N. Main St. has agreed to participate in a pilot project where they will highlight all the items to make a BLT in one area of the store; showcasing fresh lettuce and tomatoes purchased from Homefull.
- After identifying inactive or struggling food gardens within the county, the **local growing workgroup** is working to partner with community groups, faith-based organizations, and schools to revitalize community gardens.
- The **school children workgroup** has redefined their goals to now focus on increasing participation in Summer Food Service Programs. Before next summer, the group intends to develop a plan to increase the number of sites that offer summer meals and promote the programs.
- As a newly formed workgroup, the initial activities identified by the **education and advocacy workgroup** are to assess the barriers that exist for individuals connecting to benefits.
- The Foodbank has taken the lead on the activities of the **food distribution workgroup**. They are in the midst of an extensive strategic planning process that will help determine the next steps of this workgroup.

In addition to the reports from the workgroups, the Board had the opportunity to learn of the activities and projects planned by two organizations that received funding from Montgomery County to address food access in their communities, the West Dayton Food Access Collective Impact Project and the East Dayton Food Access & Resiliency Enterprise.

## 2016 State of Ohio Unintentional Overdose Death Report Released

Ohio's opioid epidemic continued to evolve in 2016 with stronger drugs driving an increase in unintentional overdose deaths, according to a new report released by the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). The report shows a sharp rise in overdose deaths involving the opioid



fentanyl, the emergence of more deadly fentanyl-related drugs like carfentanil, and indications that cocaine is now being used with fentanyl and other opiates. Montgomery County has the highest age adjusted drug overdose death rate for the period 2011-2016. The report also contains some promising news – the fewest prescription opioid overdose deaths since 2009. The complete ODH report on 2016 drug overdose deaths is available at [www.odh.ohio.gov](http://www.odh.ohio.gov).

### Community Overdose Action Team Media Advisory

The Community Overdose Action Team (COAT) will begin monthly media briefings to update the community about our efforts to reduce the number of deaths from unintentional drug overdoses.

Introductory remarks will be provided by Montgomery County Commissioner Dan Foley followed by Health Commissioner Jeff Cooper who will provide a situational status update, review highlights of the current Incident Action Plan and offer information about new and ongoing programs and initiatives.

The first COAT Monthly Briefing will be held at Public Health – Dayton & Montgomery County, 117 S. Main Street, Dayton, Thursday, September 7 at 1:30 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor in the MultiPurpose Room.

Members of the media are welcome to live stream the event at their discretion.

**Media contact:** Dan Suffoletto, 937-224-3892 or Ann Stevens, 937-224-0416.



### Media Opportunities:

WDAO on **Back to School Immunizations and Health** (8/1/17)

WDTN, Fox 45 on **Night Out Against Crime** (8/1/17)

WDAO Radio on **Immunizations / Violence Prevention** (8/2/17)

Fox 45 on **Overdose Deaths** (8/3/17)

WHIO on **Bugs In Food** (8/3/17)

News Release about **Breastfeeding Awareness Month** (8/7/17)

DDN on **Mosquitoes** (8/10/17)

DDN on **Opioid Crisis** (8/10/17)

News Release about **EveryOne Should Turn One: Infant Mortality Conference** (8/15/17)

DDN on **RAPCA Fees** (8/22/17)

DDN on **Human Services Levy** (8/25/17)

News Release about **Hay Fever** (8/29/17)

Channel 7 on **West Nile Virus** (8/30/17)



### Outreach Events

8/1/17	National Night Out at Residence Park
8/2/17	Seek Conference at Sinclair College
8/5/17	Trotwood Madison City Schools-Back to School Bash
8/5/17	Jefferson Township Day at Fisher Park
8/10/17	Saville Grade School Open House
8/12/17	Shiloh Church Farmer's Market
8/12/17	Community Health Fair/Outreach Celebration at Fairview UMC
8/12/17	Urban Food and Health Fair at Inner West Priority Board
8/12/17	Veggie-Palooza at Grace United Methodist Church
8/12/17	Agape Fellowship Health Fair at Agape Fellowship Church
8/14/17	CHCGD National Health Center Week at Drew Health Center
8/14/17	Health and Resource Fair at Drew Health Center
8/18/17	Dayton Restored Citizens Safe Haven Summit at Potter's House
8/19/17	Health Fair at St. Benedict of Moore
8/19/17	Dayton African American Cultural Festival at Island Park
8/24/17	Tartan Plaza Party at Sinclair College
8/26/17	Zion Hill Community Health Fair at Zion Hill Baptist Church
8/26/17	West Dayton Pantry Partnership at Marketplace Movement

### Stat of the Month...

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*The number of mosquito pools in Montgomery County that tested positive for the West Nile Virus to date in 2017.*

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