



Public Health
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Zanesville-Muskingum County

2008 Annual Report

Dental Clinic Expands

Construction began on the dental clinic expansion project based at the Zanesville-Muskingum County Health Department on August 4, 2008. The project included utilization of a new open area, five new dental chairs to go along with three existing chairs, new equipment, a new sterilization area and additional staff. Services began in the new clinic on Octo-

ber 20. The dental clinic's operation is a collaborative effort supported by the Muskingum Valley Health Centers (MVHC), a federally qualified health center in Zanesville (Muskingum County) and McConnelsville (Morgan County) and the Zanesville-Muskingum County Health Department. Dental clinic business operations are based at the MVHC.

Expansion has allowed for more clients to receive services, including those from Muskingum as well as Morgan County. Adding more staff has significantly reduced the wait time for dental appointments. Dr. Dean Stimpson heads the dental team. Dr. Stimpson has 42 years of dental experience.



Voters Support the Health Department

The Zanesville-Muskingum County Health Department levy passed with 14,615 votes in favor and 12,624 votes against. The 10-year, 0.5 mill replacement levy will generate about \$799,273 annually.

It will cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$15.31 a year, an increase from the current payment of \$9.72 a year. With the passage of the levy, the department will be able to continue essential

community and environmental health services, as well as health education, public health preparedness and local access to birth & death records. We greatly appreciate the support from the community.

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National Identity for Local
Public Health



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What is Public Health?

Public health is protecting and improving the health of our community through education, promotion of healthy lifestyles and disease and injury prevention. Public health is developing policies and monitoring health status in our community.

Our Mission

To promote, protect and improve public health in Muskingum County.

Our Vision

ZMCHD Will:

Monitor the health of residents, environmental health, and safety in Muskingum County.

Anticipate, evaluate, and respond to influ-

ences affecting public health.

Gather public health data to serve as a resource for our community.

Lead the way and inspire community leaders and partners to promote the best public health practices for optimal health of our community.



Travel Immunizations

Community Health Services

Medical services were moved to the new Muskingum Valley Health Centers which opened in Zanesville and McConnellsville in January. The two facilities are partially funded by a federal

healthcare grant.

Services at ZMCHD include disease monitoring and investigation, immunizations, dental health services and head lice treatment. ZMCHD now offers international travel

immunizations for your safe travel to various locations.

Public health nurses also work with schools and provide case management for children with special health care needs.



Food Service Inspection at
Muskingum County Fair

Environmental Health Services

An agreement was made with the County Building Department for electrical safety inspections for Mobile Home Parks. Resolution 08-2-2 was approved to establish an Electrical Installation Fee.

ZMCHD and the Ohio

Department of Health entered an agreement for reimbursement of the cost of smoke free workplace inspections.

An agreement was also made with the Perry County Health Department for plumbing

consultation to provide a plumbing inspector should services be needed.

The number of smoking complaints slowed to about 10 per month on average. Most of the businesses in the area are cooperating.

Health Education

ZMCHD conducted the National Public Health Performance Standards self-assessment to determine where we can strengthen our performance. The Leadership Team identified strengths and weaknesses through this assessment. Strategic plan workgroup meetings

are underway with a focus on four priority areas for improvement.

ZMCHD received the Notice of Award from the Ohio Department of Health for the Community Obesity Prevention Grant Project. The budget is \$115,000. The goal of the project is to develop a prevention plan

based on local resources and needs. Funds will also be used to improve several walking trails in the community and to encourage people with all skill levels to use the trails. ZMCHD will also promote two community gardens.



Community Obesity Prevention Grant Meeting



Public Health Preparedness

As part of a mass immunization exercise, free flu shots were given October 10 at two locations: the Muskingum County Fairgrounds and Ohio University Zanesville/Zane

State College. Rambo Health Center, ZMCHD and 20 other community partners participated in the event that also served as an exercise of the community's ability to rapidly provide

immunizations to a large number of people in a short amount of time. Nearly 3,286 vaccines were given to Muskingum County residents.



Mass Immunization Exercise

Birth & Death Records

The birth certificate can be used to authenticate one's identity and nationality, and assist with obtaining government-issued identity documents such as a passport or driver's license.

We provide govern-

ment approved and official birth and death certificates from the State of Ohio.

You may need certified copies of these records for: passports, school entrance, employment, proof of citizenship, governmental bene-

fits, insurance and conducting family history research.

You can obtain birth and death records from ZMCHD for events that occurred within Zanesville-Muskingum County, provided there is no court or legal action.

Muskingum County Births: 1,465
Muskingum County Deaths: 1,033
Fetal Deaths (Still Births): 5
Birth Records Issued: 6,361
Death Records Issued: 3,781
Burial Permits: 806



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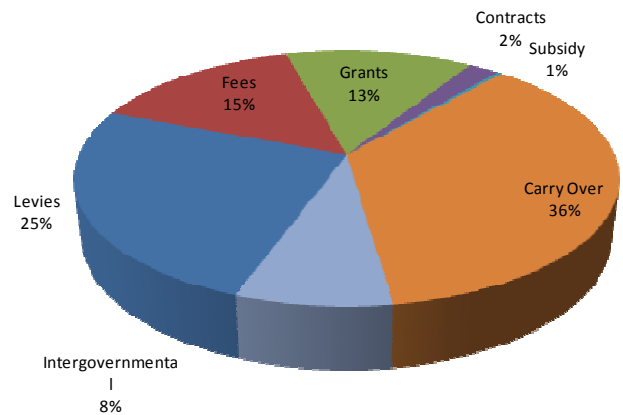
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2008 Revenue



2008 Budget

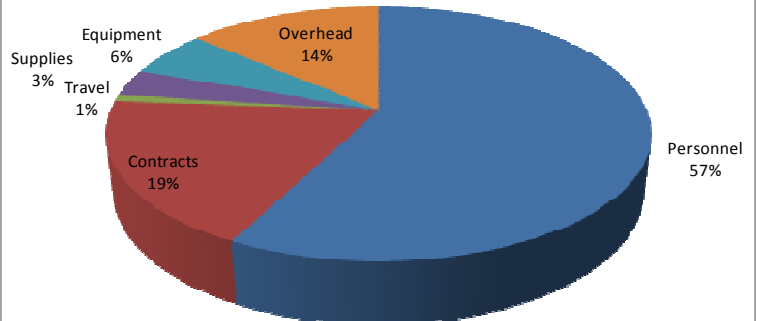
In 2008, the Zanesville-Muskingum County Health Department had an operating budget of \$5,379,628.

Nearly half of our budget \$1,957,589 or 36% is supported by the health levy and other local funding sources. Revenue is also collected through charges for services, licenses and per-

mits. In addition, the Health Department receives \$1,027,808 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

2008 Expenditures



majority of our expenditures were for personnel.