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2016 Annual Report

As stated in the 2015 annual report, the transition of a medical based director of health to that of a fiscal minded director of health would be challenging. The challenge was taken head on and the Holmes County General Health District is emerging from a time of uncertainty and transition to that of a time of growth and quality improvement. Financially, the Health District is looking at ways of improving revenue while at the same time making sound financial decisions by eliminating or reducing expenses. Cash flows have improved and transfers between funds was not needed this last year. We continue to add revenue sources for programs we are currently performing by writing grants. It is my purpose to make sure I can be as efficient as possible with local resources, and bring the community's tax dollars back from state and federal sources, to do projects and programs that benefit the citizens of Holmes County.

The Health District continues to focus on Public Health Accreditation and is making great strides in completing the effort. Accreditation focus is that of continuous quality improvement. It is an expensive undertaking, but with sound department leadership from the division directors this will make operations more efficient. It is estimated that local health departments will spend upwards of \$150,000 a year to achieve these activities. I never want the burden of this cost to impact local services, thus we continue to apply for grant funds to achieve this process.

This last year the Health District met with the director of the Ohio Department of Health and shared our support along with the communities for a local health department to be present in Holmes County. During the meeting, the director was updated on our efforts and abilities to carry out the programs of the Holmes County General Health District and our future plans for Accreditation.

The future is bright in Holmes County, and the Health District wants to be part of a future to ensure that we are "Working with our community to protect and improve the health and environment of those who live, work, and play in Holmes County".

The Holmes County General Health District is devoted to improving the health and well-being of Holmes county and offers the following services to the community:

Personal Health Services

School Health Services: Hearing, vision, scoliosis screenings and health resources for teachers and parents.

Public Health Nursing: Consultations and disaster preparedness training.

Bureau of Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh): Services for children with medical disabilities.

Communicable Disease: Case investigation, education, tuberculosis testing, and follow up.

Immunization Clinics: Offsite locations throughout Holmes County.

Help Me Grow: Home visiting for children 0-3 years to provide parents with education and coordination of services.

Breastfeeding Resource Center: Education, counseling, support and equipment for sale or rent to help mothers successfully breast-feed.

Women, Infants, & Children (WIC): Nutrition education and supplemental food program for pregnant/breastfeeding women and children 0-5 years.

Injury Prevention: Coordinate programming for seniors and build relationships with agencies servicing seniors in an effort to prevent falls.

Small Health Care Provider Quality Improvement: Builds capacity among primary care practices to monitor care provided to patients

Environmental Health

Food Protection: Licensing/ inspection of food service operations and retail food establishments to prevent food-borne illnesses.

Sewage Treatment: Site reviews and permits to install/operate sewage treatment systems.

Water: Site reviews for new/alterd wells, bacteriological and chemical analysis of water samples for new and existing wells.

Recreational Sanitation: Licensing/inspections of RV parks and camps, public swimming pools and spas.

Rabies Control: Investigations of animal bites, enforcement of quarantines, and rabies surveillance.

Nuisance Abatement: Investigation of public health nuisance complaints, issue abatement orders, compliance monitoring.

Vector control: Surveillance of mosquito activity, collection of mosquitoes/ticks for testing, and mosquito spraying/larvaciding.

Solid Waste: Licensing/inspections of solid waste facilities.

Housing: Loan approval inspections of water and sewage treatment systems.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness: Development of plans and procedures for responding to public health emergencies.

Vital Statistics

Maintaining accurate records of all births and deaths that occur in Holmes County. Issue birth certificates for anyone born in Ohio and death certificates for persons who passed away in Holmes County.

2016 By The Numbers

Expenses

Salaries	\$855,473.95
Other Expenses*	\$268,584.23
Fringes	\$229,908.38
Supplies / Office	\$99,946.26
Contracts	\$213,178.91
Office Space	\$57,391.84
Travel / Conference	\$35,099.41
Equipment	\$5,107.88
Total	\$1,764,690.86

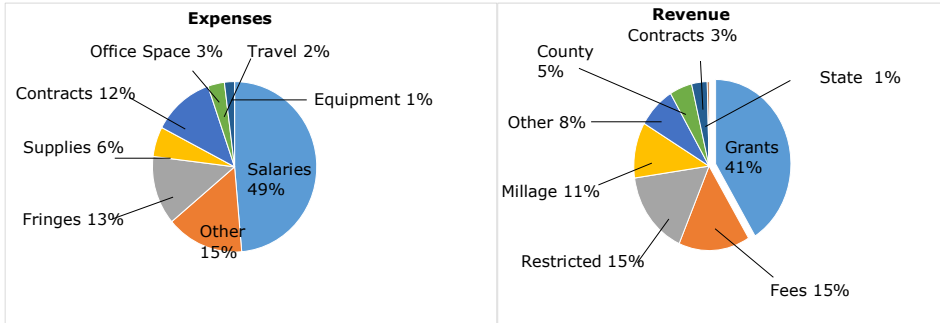
Revenue Sources

Grants	\$815,047.462
Fees	\$302,464.08
Restricted Funds	\$320,831.08
Millage	\$211,038.74
Other Receipts*	\$158,701.98
County Subsidy	\$95,131.75
Contracts	\$66,185.06
State Subsidy	\$7,910.94
Total Revenue	\$1,977,311.09

Program Grants Total

815,047.46

WIC (Women, Infants, & Children)	149,078.15
Help Me Grow	110,000.00
Small Health Care	322,273.91
Injury Prevention	56,127.77
Public Health Infrastructure	58,008.39
Immunization Action Plan	23,859.87
RHWP (Reproductive Health & Wellness Program)	46,385.39
Child & Family Health	5,613.98
Ohio EPA- Mosquito	43,700.00



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Request for Community Input

The Holmes County Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan can be found in its entirety at on our website at <http://www.co.holmes.oh.us/health/>. Holmes County residents are encouraged to leave feedback regarding these documents, as community input is very important to pursuing excellence in public health. Directions on how to leave feedback can be found on the website.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Nuisance Abatement

Nuisances Reported	12
Number Requiring Action	11
Nuisances Abated	7

Sewage Program

Site Reviews	123
Permits Issued	130
Permit-to-alter Issued	49
Small Flow Site Reviews	13
Household Sewage Inspections	880
Semi-public Sewage Inspections	251
Small Flow Inspections	150
Consultations	1,188

Rabies Control

Animal Bites Reported	25
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Food Protection Program

Licenses Issued	374
Inspections	584

Water Program

Permit to Install	102
Total Inspections	188
Consultations	290

2016 STATISTICS

BCM (Bureau of Medically Handicapped Children)

Average Monthly Caseload	155
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HELP ME GROW PROGRAM

Families Referred	129
Total Visits	590
Average Monthly Caseload	63

SCHOOL HEALTH

Students Screened	173
Consultations	767
Classroom Presentations	299

COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION

Presentations	100
People Reached	3,651

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

Immunizations Given	3,331
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COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Reported Communicable Diseases	129
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WIC (Women Infants and Children)

Average Monthly Caseload	493
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VITAL STATISTICS

Holmes County Births	584
Hospital Births	509
Home Births	53
Out of County Births	373
Deaths Recorded	294
Fetal Deaths	6
Deaths under 18	3
Trauma Death	10

Certified Copies Issued

Birth Certificates	1,964
Death Certificates	699

Leading Cause of Death

Cardio Vascular Disease	94
Cancer	49
Dementia	26
Pneumonia	25
Stroke	20
Other Respiratory Disease	20
Kidney Disease	11
Accidental Injury	11
Diabetes	5
Suicide	3