



Public Health
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South Milwaukee Health Department

SOUTH MILWAUKEE HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2008 -2013

MISSION

TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE THE HEALTH OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH
MILWAUKEE



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS 2008- 2013

2008

- In May of 2008, the health department participated in an informational forum at the South Milwaukee High School regarding HIV and Sexually Transmitted Infections.
- In June of 2008, the department responded to flooding issues throughout the City. We were distributing flood clean-up kits and trying to establish a list of those that needed assistance with clean-up. Through the assistance of 2-1-1 we obtained a list of those homes that had flooding and those that indicated help was needed. With this list of addresses, the Engineering Department was able to GIS map the areas of flooding and look at infrastructure in those areas.
- May through September we worked with the City of Racine Health Department to complete a Sanitary Survey of Grant Park Beach.
- In August we participated with an informational booth at Community Night Out.
- In September we planned a community health event in conjunction with Pick 'n' Saves in South Milwaukee and St. Francis called "Step 'n' Shop".
- The last quarter of the year the State was experiencing a Measles Outbreak, we participated in pre-planning sessions and response.

2009

- H1N1 Pandemic Influenza was here and we had to plan and distribute an additional Flu vaccine. We worked with many City Departments, and volunteers. We utilized our pre-plan for our mass clinic site and were able to vaccinate residents efficiently.
- A resident with a goat living in their house challenged our Exotic Pet Ordinance that was very time consuming with orders, citations, court, and Board of Health Hearings.
- In March 2009, we participated in a Health Fair with the Lions Club and offered a 5K walk for those attending.
- There was flooding in spring from heavy rain and we assisted with providing clean-up information and kits, home and food safety, and mold information.
- We investigated an outbreak of Norovirus at one of the long term care facilities, and provided information regarding environmental controls.
- Through a Prevention Grant we provided a cardiovascular screening for employees at Cooper Power Systems (Eaton Corporation).
- In July, we responded to assist Cudahy by setting up and managing a shelter for residents due to the Patrick Cudahy Fire.
- In August we participated in Community Night Out.

2010

- Due to budget cuts we lost a part-time public health nurse position, and had to re-establish priorities/ assignments.
- The health department responded to citizen concerns about flooding due to heavy rainfall. Clean-up kits and information were made available as in the past.
- We responded to a water main break that caused loss of water to the entire city in February. This main break rendered our City without drinkable water, for over 24 hours. The health

department was instrumental in managing the water distribution to citizens using our pre-established drive through clinic, staffing a hotline and providing press releases.

- We investigated a norovirus outbreak in spring at one of our schools and interviewed 50 people that were exposed.
- There was a county-wide outbreak of Legionella as a result of exposure at a local hospital. Our Environmental Health Consortium investigated, took environmental samples, and worked with the State on recommendations for the hospital to remediate the problem.
- In June we sponsored and managed a 3K and 5K walk at the Downtown Market.
- In July there was extreme heat in the State of Wisconsin, we had to preplan for opening cooling sites.
- Jackie Ove received the Health Officer of the year award from the Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards (WALHDAB) in May.
- In August we participated in Community Night Out.
- We assisted the Police Department with the first annual Justice for a Cure “Pink Day” in South Milwaukee. The Health Department promoted breast cancer awareness through education.
- The health department began collaboration with the South Milwaukee Lions Club for the vision screening in the schools.

2011

- We investigated an outbreak of Norovirus at an elementary school, and provided information on environmental controls.
- A 20 in. snow storm in February shut down City functions for a day. The State declared a Civil Emergency.
- In March we participated in the School District Developmental Days for 3 to 5 year olds
- We did preplanning to respond to outbreaks of Measles and Pertussis that were occurring in the State of Wisconsin and we investigated cases here in South Milwaukee.
- In July there were extremely high heat indexes, and we assured that cooling centers were available.
- Our health department assisted the State in identifying a type of Salmonella from a certain product that initiated a country wide recall of the product.
- We participated in Community Night Out.
- We participated in September in the Downtown Market Health Fair that was run by South Shore Chiropractic.
- The Health Department resurrected the School Community Advisory Committee and held our first meeting reviewing Community Health Assessment Data and discussing key health issues that affect our residents to start forming our Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
- In October we assisted the Police Department with “Pink Day”

2012

- We continued to experience Pertussis in South Milwaukee and maintained our campaign to vaccinate individuals at risk and investigated cases and contacts.
- We participated in the school district developmental days for 3 to 5 year olds in March by educating parents on normal growth and development.
- We again had extreme heat July 2-6, and had to assure cooling centers were available.

- We presented health information at the Community Night out in August.
- We had a booth on Nutrition and Physical Activity at the Downtown Market Health Fair in September.
- We assisted with the October “Pink Day” as we have done in the past providing a health information display about Breast Cancer Awareness at City Hall.
- We had two focus groups established for our CHIP that met. The focus groups were Positive Parenting and Emotional Well Being. Objectives were agreed upon and programming was developed.

2013

- We had extreme cold during the winter months and had to assure that there were shelters for the homeless and that households had working heat. Those without heat contacted us to problem solve and to provide resources.
- The Health Department took the lead on arranging three positive parenting programs that were held, Healthy Snacks, Introduction to Love and Logic, and Importance of Reading.
- In working towards improving our Emotional Well Being, the Health Department partnered with the School District to promote reading and discussing the book *Mindset*.
- In March, we participated in the annual developmental days with the school district with a nutrition focus.
- We continued to investigate Pertussis cases.
- We had extreme heat in the summer where we had to assure cooling centers were available.
- The Health Department had safety and health information at the Community Night Out in August.
- We participated in the Health Fair at the Downtown Market in September and promoted healthy eating and physical activity.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICES

Public Health Nurses provide services within the community in the form of home visits, office visits, school services and clinic services. Below is a comparison of services provided throughout the years 2008-2013. In 2010, we had a reduction in staffing, and eliminated one ½ time Public Health Nurse Position. With these budget cuts we had to look at services required through State Statutes and Administrative Codes and where we could cut services. It resulted in cuts to our school services.

SERVICES	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Nursing Visits	653	576	648	829	231	366
Communicable Disease	115	139	112	116	143	154
Immunization Clients	1461	2219	1176	435	348	767
Flu & Pneumonia	447	(H1N1) 838	505 (H1N1) 323	591	577	612

SERVICES	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
B/P & Cholesterol	190	176	83	98	89	107
WI Well Woman	16	12	9	16	20	23
Nursing Lead Cases	3	5	0	8	11	12
School –Health Services*/ **Immunization Audits	1711/3764	1426/3828	1269/3503	905/3599	857/3649	797/3622

*School Health Services includes Individual Health Counseling, Health Education, Head Checks, Vision Screening, and Hearing Screening.

**Immunization Audits are done for the school and require an audit of each student record, checking for compliance with the student immunization law. Letters are sent to parents as needed to gain compliance and phone call follow up is done when necessary.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM

The Environmental Health Consortium (EHC) provides service for the cities of Cudahy, St. Francis, and South Milwaukee. South Milwaukee is the lead fiscal agency for this program. This consortium is responsible for licensing and inspecting retail food establishments, restaurants, pools, motels, hotels, rooming houses, etc. This program also inspects human health hazard/ public health nuisance complaints, animal bites for quarantine follow-up, and environmental contamination due to lead. This program also monitors the beach, which was done through sampling and through a computer generated virtual beach program. Monitoring and treatment for vector borne illness, such as West Nile Virus, is also done by this program.

SERVICES	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Complaint inspections South Milwaukee	295	287	271	210	204	138
Licensed Establishment Inspections	581	486	461	399	369	309
Orders Written South Milwaukee	563	573	421	334	322	259

SERVICES	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Citations Issued South Milwaukee	22	8	0	5	1	0
Animal Bite investigations	24	27	31	43	29	27
Lead Investigations	0	2	1	4	5	1
Beach samples collected through the Beach Program	301	335	287	284	286	210

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

BIRTHS	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
NUMBERS	236	232	239	223	213	220

DEATHS

DEATHS NUMBER AND TOP FIVE CAUSES	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
NUMBER	254	259	244	264	247	264
1	Cancer	Heart Disease				
2	Heart Disease	Cancer	Cancer	Cancer	Cancer	Cancer
3	Dementia/ Alzheimer's	Inanition/ Sepsis	Dementia/ Alzheimer's	Dementia/ Alzheimer's	Pneumonia & Influenza	Dementia/ Alzheimer's
4	Pneumonia & Influenza	Pneumonia & Influenza	Pneumonia & Influenza	Pneumonia & Influenza	Inanition	Pneumonia & Influenza
5	Stroke	Accidents	Inanition	Sepsis	Stroke	Sepsis

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Below is a comparison of our budget, expenditures, and revenues for the years of 2008- 2013.

FINANCES	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
BUDGET	\$ 432,258	\$ 448,281	\$ 454,269	\$ 454,773	\$ 464,077	\$ 469,946
TAX LEVY EXPENDITURE	\$ 422,646	\$ 438,514	\$ 431,343	\$ 439,218	\$ 443,272	\$ 419,716
EXPENDITURES	\$ 616,344	\$ 593,743	\$ 626,198	\$ 649,804	\$ 632,360	\$ 632,751
REVENUES	\$275,593	\$ 289,669	\$ 272,791	\$ 249,994	\$ 221,020	\$ 213,035

BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS 2008-2013

Marie Becker, Past Chair 1999-2011

John Reynolds 1998-2012

Cyndi Kieck, Secretary, 1999- Present

Mike Jankowski 2008- 2013

Barbara Schmidt, 1993- Present

Karen Stewart, 2010- Present

Annette Loper, Chair, 2011- Present

Dr. Kristen Grenier-Drenzek, 2013- Present

Isaiah Gray, 2013- Present

Jim Shelenske, Common Council Rep. 2008-2010

Joe Bukowski, Common Council Rep., 2010- Present

Dr. Sandra Scalzitti, Medical Advisor, 1998- Present

Jacqueline Ove, RN, Public Health Administrator/ Health Officer, 1998- Present

HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF 2008-2013

Jacqueline Ove, Public Health Administrator, 1998- Present

Mariana Liebsch, RN, Public Health Nurse, 2005- Present

Jacalyn Benka, RN, Public Health Nurse, 2007- Present

Deborah Guthrie, Clerk III, 2008- Present

Dr. Sandra Scalzitti, Medical Advisor, 1998- Present

Lynette Stefanec, RN, Public Health Nurse, 2005- 2013

Health Department Staff, continued

Diana Brzoskowski, RN, Public Health Nurse, 2007-2009

Connie Owen, RN, Clinic Nurse, 2006-2010

Environmental Health Consortium

Martin Zabkowicz, RS, Environmental Health Specialist, 2002- Present

Dave Krey, RS, Health Inspector, 2004- Present

Jeanne Hoefs, Secretary, 2013- Present

Barbara Hill, Secretary, 2010-2013

Carina Liebsch, Secretary, 2008-2010

Jessica Gradecki, Secretary, 2006-2008

Elizabeth Liebsch, DNR Grant Intern, 2008-2010

Melissa Zabkowicz, DNR Grant Intern, 2011-2012

COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

School/ Community Advisory Committee

Packard Avenue Free Community Clinic

South Shore Regional Interfaith Neighborhood Outreach Program for the Elderly (Formerly South Milwaukee/ Oak Creek Interfaith)

Early Childhood Interagency Council

Healthier Communities Initiative- Aurora Healthcare

School Community Safety Committee

Milwaukee/ Waukesha County Public Health Preparedness Consortium

CHI Franciscan Villa Board of Directors

South Milwaukee Lions Club

South Shore Noon Lions Club

Woman's Club of South Milwaukee

AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post #4

School District of South Milwaukee

Municipal City Departments

ORGANIZATIONS

Wisconsin Public Health Association (WPHA)

Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards (WALHDAB)

Wisconsin Environmental Health Association (WEHA)

American Public Health Association (APHA)

American Nurses Association (ANA)

National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO)

National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)

National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH)

PUBLIC HEALTH CORE FUNCTIONS AND 10 ESSENTIAL SERVICES

The 10 Essential Public Health Services

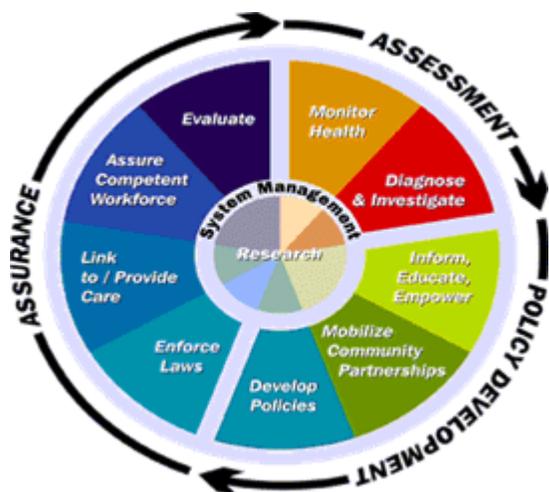


Figure 2: The 10 Essential Public Health Services

The 10 Essential Public Health Services describe the public health activities that all communities should undertake and serve as the framework for public health programming.

ASSESSMENT

1. Monitor health status to identify and solve community health problems.
2. Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

3. Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues.
4. Mobilize community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems.
5. Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.

ASSURANCE

6. Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.
7. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.
8. Assure competent public and personal health care workforce.
9. Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services.
10. Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

Reference

The Core Public Health Functions Steering Committee developed the framework for the Essential Services in 1994. The committee included representatives from US Public Health Service agencies and other major public health organizations. For more information, see the [Public Health Functions Project website](http://www.cdc.gov/nphpsp/essentialservices.html), retrieved from <http://www.cdc.gov/nphpsp/essentialservices.html>.