

# 2011 was a good year; 2012 is going to be even better

Dear Community Residents,

I am pleased to present to you the 2011 Annual Report for the Knox County Combined General Health District. This report will provide you with a general picture of what your health department accomplished over the past year.

In addition to the day-to-day responsibilities of preventing illness and disease, providing healthcare and promoting healthy behaviors, there was another important activity going on behind the scenes at the health department. In 2011, Board of Health members and department staff completed the first three-year strategic plan for the agency. The four strategic priorities identified for your health department are:

1. Promote agency services and programs
2. Evaluate and revise all agency programs
3. Maintain financial health
4. Develop exemplary staff

These four priorities will drive what your health department looks like and focuses on for service provision over the next three years.

While the strategic plan is an important and needed accomplishment, the health department has also focused on enhanced enforcement of environmental health rules and regulations, improved communication and partnerships with townships and community agencies and increased education to agency staff on public health principles. We also implemented new revenue producing programs, added an electronic medical record system to the home health program to improve program efficiency, and analyzed our medical and dental clinic services to insure safety net services remain available to all residents. I am very proud of our 2011 accomplishments and hope that you will be too.

I look forward to 2012 as we will continue do strategic planning, improve our quality improvement processes, consider workforce development, and improve our customer service. Your health department will continue to focus on the protection of the community's health, prevention of disease and injury, and improvement of our general health status. This is public health ...and public health is good for you and for Knox County.

Respectfully,  
*Julie Miller*  
Health Commissioner



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Health Commissioner



2011 Board of Health

Members of the Knox County Board of Health, from left:  
Burt Hanson; Rhonda Hathaway, RN; Scott Harmon, DVM; Shirley Timpe, RN;  
Tracy Schermer, MD; Lee Rhoades, board president;  
Laura Haberman, RN, president pro-tem; Jeff Harmer and Eric Siekkinen, R.Ph.

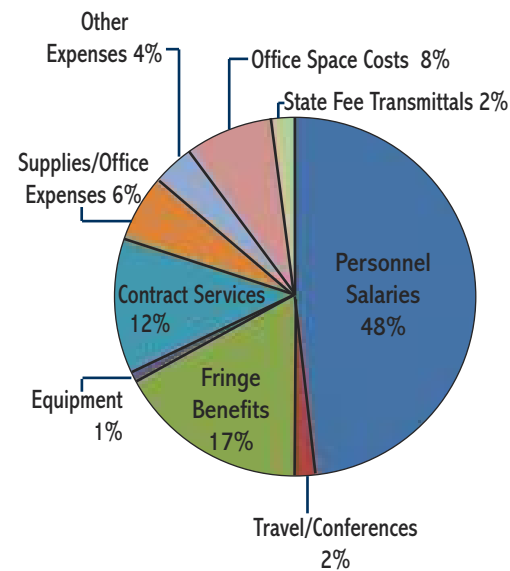
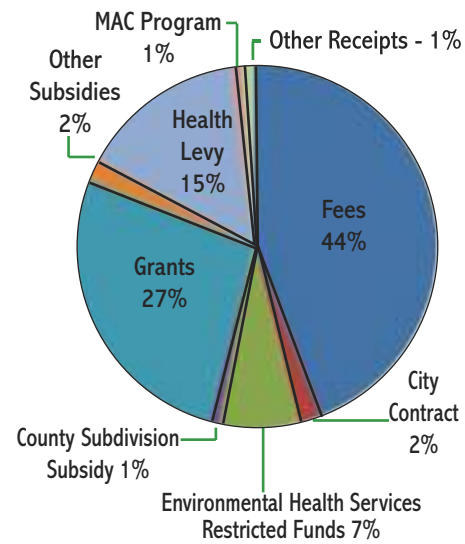
# Financial Summary

## REVENUE SOURCES\*

Fees	\$1,284,467
Grants	792,488
EH Restricted Funds	214,805
Health Levy	453,388
Other Subsidies	47,943
MAC Program	18,825
Mount Vernon City Contract	45,935
County Subdivision Subsidy	38,500
Other Receipts	11,918

**Total Revenue \$2,908,269**

\* The 2011 budget included a carryover of \$851,766 from 2010.



## EXPENSES BY ACCOUNT

Personnel Salaries	\$1,440,292
Fringe Benefits	489,901
Contract Services	352,351
Supplies/Office Expenses	191,346
Office Space Costs	221,882
Travel/Conferences	71,662
State Fee Transmittals	72,017
Other Expenses*	111,235
Equipment	32,609
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,983,295</b>

\* (Other Expenses Includes: Lab Fees, State Audit, Marketing/Promotion, Liability & Property Insurance, Staff Development/Recruitment.)

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## PROGRAM GRANTS

Child & Family Health Services	\$42,775	OCTF Home Visiting Grant	5,980
Comm. Foundation Tobacco Cessation	1,500	ODNR Litter Grant	2,000
Comm. Foundation Health Assessment	1,500	P.H. Emergency Preparedness	142,349
DKMM Recycling Education	10,750	Radon Awareness	3,215
Help Me Grow Part C	46,855	Safe Communities	24,188
Help Me Grow GRF	115,027	Suicide Prevention Grant	2,000
Help Me Grow Part C ARRA	15,346	Reducing Tobacco Use Grant	84,008
Immunization Action Plan	67,379	WIC	216,767
Medical Reserve Corps Grant	5,000	Women's Health Month Grant	1,125
OCTF Healthy Habits Grant	4,724	<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>\$792,488</b>



Recycling & Litter Prevention • Community Health Assessment Partnership • Safe Communities • Free Tobacco Cessation Classes • Suicide Prevention Coalition • Health Promotions • Family and Community Team • Impaired Driving Awareness • Get Ready Event • Kick Butts Day • Diabetes Alert Day • National Public Health Week • Partners in Public Health • Earth Day Festival • Prom Promise • Women's Health Week • Motorcycle Safety Awareness • Click It or Ticket • Child Passenger Safety • Environmental Health • Food Service Inspections • Water Testing • Well Permits • Pool Inspections • Radon Testing • Animal Bite Investigations • Fabric Clinics • ServSafe Classes • Birth Certificates • Death Certificates • Flu Clinics • Medical Clinics • Immunizations • Physical Exams • Blood Pressure Screenings • Women, Infants & Children • WIC • Breastfeeding • Grow • Health and Developmental Screenings • Early Childhood Health Fair • Senior Resource Day • National Nutrition Month • Emergency Preparedness • Medical Reserve Corps • MRC • Full-Scale Exercises • Home Health Care • Crisis Communications • Bureau of Children with Medical Handicaps • BCMH • Joint Replacement Classes • Skilled Nursing Therapy • Home Health Aides • Joint Replacement Classes • Dental Clinic • Fillings, Sealants, Cleanings • Third Grade Dental Screenings

# 2011 Annual Report

Improving the health of  
all Knox County residents  
through prevention  
and education.



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**Public Health**

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## VITAL STATS

### Birth & Death Records

Births Recorded	384
Teen Mother Births	52
Premature Births	19
Mothers Who Smoke	105
Unwed Mothers	175
Deaths Recorded	560
Heart Related	184
Cancer	111
Lung Disease	63
Strokes/CVA	13
Flu/Pneumonia	38
Suicides	6
Accidents	19
Fetal Deaths	2
Trauma Deaths	2
Attributed to smoking	64

Certified Copies Issued	3,769
Birth	1,855
Death	1,914

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

### Rabies Control Program

Animal Bites Reported	148
Dog	109
Cat	18
Other	21
Specimens to Lab	34
Positive Rabies Test	0

### Food Protection Program

Licenses Issued	559
Inspections	748

### Private Water Program

Permits to Install	77
Total Inspections	92
Consultations	193
Water Samples	
Collected by HD	194
Collected by Others	262
# Unacceptable	72

### Residential Sewage

Site Evaluations	74
Permit to Install	74
Number of Inspections	148
Consultations	494

### Public Health Nuisances

Nuisances Reported	170
Number Valid	55
Investigations	220
Nuisances Abated	50



Judy Hoffman, RN, gives a flu shot during the annual drive-thru clinic at the Knox County Fairgrounds.



Home Health Physical Therapist Taryn Boyd works with knee replacement client Robin Helsler.



Lindsay Davis, RN, visits with Jacklyn Wallace and her baby during a newborn home visit.



Kathy Spanfellner, RN, takes the blood pressure of Garret Belcher during a BCMH home visit.



Dentist James Rubin and Dental Assistant Sandy Rosberry work on a patient in the dental clinic.



Dr. Brent Nimeth examines a pre-schooler during the annual Early Childhood Health Fair.



Registered dietitians Tami Ruhl and Cindy Miller, handout WIC coupons during the Mount Vernon Farmer's Market.



Service Coordinator Kim Humbert, RN, talks with a Help Me Grow family during a clinic visit.

# This is Public Health



Terri Hillier, RS, makes a presentation on radon during a workshop for local realtors.



Suzanne Dapprich, RS, takes the water temperature at a local pool during a weekly inspection in the summer.



Partners in Public Health Awards went to the Rev. Robert Alexander of the Winter Sanctuary, and Nathan Gerhart and Larry Williams of Knox County Animal Control.



During a workshop for teachers, Health Educator Mike Whitaker explains how pollution can affect the environment.



New Environmental Health Director Nate Overholt, RS, discusses a sewer hookup with Jim Fridrich, RS.



More than 30 participated and passed a ServSafe course presented by the Environmental Health staff.



Kathy Wayne of Johnstown demonstrates self-defense techniques as part of a Women's Health Week program.



Registered Nurse Karen Lee, right, hands out hand sanitizer and information at the Wal-Mart Health Fair.

## FAMILY & COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

### General Medical Clinic

Patients Served	1,292
New Patients	626
Adults	1,035
Pediatric Visits	281

### Child Health Clinic

Patients Served	281
New Patients	626
Total Visits	285

### Dental Clinic

Patients Served	3,314
New Patients	934
Total Visits	3,865

### Immunization Program

Childhood Shots (total doses)	7,426
Seasonal Flu	1,777
Tetanus	187
Hepatitis B	887

### Tuberculosis Control

PPD Skin Tests	936
Confirmed TB Cases	1

### Help Me Grow Program

Referrals Received	217
# of Newborn Referrals	88
Total Visits	630

### Communicable Disease

Class A Diseases Reported	0
Class B1 Diseases Reported	23
Class B2 Diseases Reported	229

### WIC (WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN)

Certified Visits	3,142
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### BCMh Program

(Bureau of Children with Medical Handicaps) Consultations	585
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### Home Health Care

Referrals Received	365
Patients Admitted	265
Total Visits	7,907

## HEALTH EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

School Presentations	82
# Students Served	2,504
Public Presentations	156
Collaborative Projects	164
Child Car Seats Distributed	50
Adult Smoking Cessation Class Participants	44