

2021 Annual Report of the Fulton County Health Department

**PROVIDING SERVICES TO ALL RESIDENTS
OF FULTON COUNTY**



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Greetings:

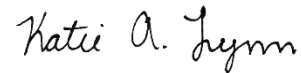
On behalf of the Fulton County Board of Health, we welcome your review of the 2021 Annual Report of the Fulton County Health Department. This report is a statistical picture of the activities of the Fulton County Health Department for the fiscal year December 1, 2020 through November 30, 2021. We strive to promote and protect the health of Fulton County residents.

The Fulton County Health Department is an integral part of the community and is committed to motivating residents to live healthier, active lifestyles through promoting good health practices, protecting communities from disease, and preventing illness and injuries. Our vision is to work with the surrounding communities to cultivate wellness, community empowerment and policy change through client service, education, and cross-organizational collaboration.

We continue to evaluate the conditions, both fiscally and programmatically, to ensure we can provide services in an efficient manner and with the quality of effort as we have in the past to the residents of Fulton County.

I, the Fulton County Board of Health and the staff at the Fulton County Health Department, would like to extend a "Thank you" to the Citizens of Fulton County for their continued support.

Sincerely,



Katie A. Lynn
Public Health Administrator

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Administrative Services Division of the Fulton County Health Department includes the Business Office, Office of Human Resources, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Weatherization, Volunteer Program, and the Administrator.

The **Volunteer Program** has completed its 27th year. We have volunteers who participate as needed throughout the year.

The Fulton County Health Department Administrator is the official Registrar for Fulton County, responsible for the filing of birth and death certificates. The births and deaths recorded reflect those that occurred within the geographical boundaries of Fulton County.

VITAL STATISTICS FOR FULTON COUNTY

December 1, 2020– November 30, 2021

TOTAL BIRTHS – 213

Birth to Mothers 19 years of Age or Under – 10 (4.7%)

Birth to married Mothers – 94 (44%)

TOTAL DEATHS – 469

Heart Disease –105 (22.3%) Cancer – 69 (14.7%)

Respiratory – 118 (25.1%) Other Medical – 100 (21.3%)

Alzheimer/Dementia – 64 (13.6%) Fetal – 1(<1%)

ACCIDENTAL -

Occupational - 3 (<1%) Automobile – 2 (<1%)

Suicide – 1 (<1%) Other –7 (1.5%)

Pending -0%

ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND WEATHERIZATION

Approved Energy Assistance Applications	1304
Weatherization Projects (homes) Completed	10

FULTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DENTAL CENTER

The Fulton County Health Department Dental Center has completed its eleventh year of operation. We still take only patients who have no private dental insurance or who have Medicaid. This year we saw 189 new patients and scheduled 2597 appointments. Of these appointments that showed up, 1163 were for children 21 years old and younger. We saw 605 adults. Our challenges continue in trying to figure out how to best serve all of our patients. COVID-19 presented us with even more challenges. We are seeing a continued increase in needed treatment for those ages between 21 and 40.

Staff includes two dental assistants, and one clerical person. All of our assistants are trained in the monitoring of nitrous oxide.

We continued to offer outreach programs to pre-schools and kindergartens on a limited basis this year. Our partnership with Headstart continued. This year we provided 4889 services to our patients as well as educating our community of the importance of good oral health practices for overall good health.

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Division of Environmental Health is responsible for the Food Sanitation; Private, Semi-Private, and Non-community Public Water Supplies; Private Sewage Disposal; Solid Waste Haulers; Tanning Facilities; Body Art Facilities; Nuisance; Vector; and Bed and Breakfast Programs.

Continued efforts in the West Nile virus monitoring program included setting 72 gravid traps at 23 locations and conducting tests for West Nile virus on 19 mosquito pools. No mosquito pools tested positive for West Nile virus in Fulton County during the 2021 program.

Division of Environmental Health Statistics December 1, 2020 – November 30, 2021

Food Sanitation Program

Routine Inspections	329
Critical Violations Corrected	76
Consultations	16
Temporary Food Permits Issued	166
Pre-opening inspections	19

Private Water Supply Program

Final Inspections	2
New Well Construction Permits	11
Well Evaluations	79
Water Samples	187
Positive Coliform	103

High Nitrate	1
Abandoned Wells Sealed	14
Non-Community Water Facilities	12

Private Sewage Disposal Program

Permits Issued	46
Private Sewage Disposal Evaluations	108
Complaint Investigations	1
Consultations	38

Other

Food Borne Illness Investigations	1
Tanning Facility Permits	9
Solid Waste Business Licenses	9
Body Art Facility Permits	1

DIVISION of FAMILY AND COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

Again in 2021, the Division of Family and Community Health Services acted as the lead agency for the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer program to meet the screening needs of eligible women throughout Fulton, McDonough, and Schuyler Counties. The Mammograms Save Lives License Plate Grant through Susan G. Komen provided screening mammogram assistance as well as transportation assistance to eligible clients. The WISEWOMAN program provided cardiovascular screenings, referrals, and educational sessions to age/income eligible women. The Carolyn Adams Ticket for the Cure Grant was newly awarded this year to enhance breast health navigation within the county.

The Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant continued to offer funding in 2021. The combined funding solidified our planning for a pandemic flu outbreak, bioterrorism event, or other emergency requiring the cooperation of all responding agencies. Our agency's continued planning prepared us well to work within the context of the entire health community to provide necessary services to the residents of Fulton County. The Fulton County Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps is housed within Public Health Emergency Preparedness. It collaborated with Western Illinois University to provide outreach activities to every community within Fulton County and to assist with Public Health Emergency Preparedness Exercise activities.

The division continues to offer guidance and assistance to the educational community. Preventive sessions and activities were conducted. FCHD services touch every school district in Fulton County.

This division also includes many of the traditional programs of the health department, including Women's Health, Family Planning, WIC, Family Case Management, Immunizations, Communicable Disease, Tuberculosis Prevention/Surveillance, and the Lead Program. Laboratory services include the cardiovascular screening program Health Watch with expanded lab services, blood pressure screenings, and Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) screenings. Through the STD Clinic, STD and HIV testing, exams, counseling, treatment, partner services, and referrals are offered to men and women. Health professionals that provide both preventive health care and educational services include Program Specialists, Health Educator, Registered Nurses, and an Advanced Practice Nurse/Nurse Practitioner.

Women's Health clinics include screenings and health education for women of all ages. Women's Health also includes financial assistance for mammograms and pap smears to age and income eligible women who have little to no insurance.

The Maternal Child Health Programs include the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) supplemental nutrition and education program. Through WIC, income eligible pregnant/breastfeeding/postpartum women, infants and children up to five years of age receive nutritious food, nutrition/breastfeeding education, and healthcare referrals. The Family Case Management program provides home visits, education, and referrals to pregnant/post-partum women and children. In addition, the Maternal Child Health Programs provide childhood health exams including screenings of blood pressure, hemoglobin, and blood lead levels.

The Fulton County Health Department Family Planning Program provides females of child bearing age health education, physical exams, pregnancy testing, contraception including abstinence, laboratory screenings which include pap smears and sexually transmitted disease (STD) testing, breast exams, and referrals. Male services are provided which include education/counseling, exams, and STD testing and treatment, and partner services.

This division oversees the operations of the Cuba and Astoria sub-offices of the Health Department. Housed in the Grant Keime Memorial Building in Cuba, the Chore Housekeeping and Medications Management Program are shining examples of innovative programs to serve the community. In Astoria, we provide many of the traditional health department services including WIC, Family Case Management, Family Planning Supplies, mammogram assistance, water sample kits, and temporary food permits.

Division of Family and Community Health Services
Statistics December 1, 2020 - November 30, 2021

Nursing Service

Flu only clinics	2
Influenza Immunizations	11

Community Navigation

Attendance-Hlth Fair/Open Hs/Special Event	226
Radio/Cable/FB followers-monthly average	1236

Grant Keime Office-Cuba

Office Visits, total for year	2848
Chore Housekeeping Clients-monthly average	72
Chore Housekeeping Visits-total for year	2625
Medication Management Clients-monthly aver	18
Nurse Home Visits, total for year	897

Hearing and Vision Program

Hearing Screenings	0
Hearing Referrals	0
Vision Screenings	0
Vision Referrals	0

COVID-19

Vaccinations Administered	7,281
Positive cases	4,098
Close Contacts Quarantined	5,971

Tuberculosis Program

TB Screenings	292
Positive Tuberculosis Screenings	3
New Active TB Cases	0
Number of New Clients Receiving Treatment	0

Women's Health

Total Clients Served	25
Total Program Mammograms	20
Total Program Pap Test/CBEs	14
Voucher's Issued	54
Cancer Diagnosed	0
Outreach Events	0
Outreach Participants	0

WISEWOMAN Program

Screenings	12
Class Interventions	52
Abnormal Screenings	0
Referrals	6

Family Planning Clinics

Supply Visits	275
Clinic Visits	112
Pap test Screens	52
Abnormal Pap test results	15
Pregnancy Tests	10
Positive Pregnancy Tests	2
Chlamydia Screens	81
Gonorrhea Screens	81
Referrals	11

Sexually Transmitted Infection Clinics

Clients Served	29
All Identified Infections	5
Chlamydia Screens	28
Gonorrhea Screens	28
HIV Tests	13
Syphilis Screens	13
Referrals	1

Astoria Office

Office Visits	342
Home Visits	0
Referrals	169

Laboratory Services/Health Watch

Clients Screened	55
-Dr. Ordered	48
-Standing Orders	7
Comp (Lipid, CMP, CBC)	46
PSA	10
A1C	13
Thyroid	14
Hepatitis A, B, C	0
Other	3

Blood Lead Screenings

Screenings done at FCHD	0
Abnormal Results of FCHD screenings	0

Immunizations (Not Including Covid)

Clients Served	15
Child Immunizations	0
Adult Immunizations	15

Women, Infant and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program

Clinics	141
WIC Clients/Caseload-Monthly average	527
Hemoglobin screens	0

Family Case Management

FCM Clients/Caseload-Monthly average	101
Home Visits	0

FY 2021 Financial Report

FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 1, 2020

HEALTH FUND	\$ 2,657,982.35
LIHEAP FUND	\$ 6,311.92
FMHA RESERVE FUND	\$ 41,598.57
TRANSFER FUND	\$ 701.00
PIPP FUND	\$ 45.10

TOTAL \$ 2,706,638.94

REVENUE

PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 379,394
MISC TAXES & INTEREST	\$ 185,453
STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS	\$ 2,831,258
LOCAL GRANTS	\$ 275,637
FEES & FEE FOR SERVICE	\$ 411,716
FULTON COUNTY TB BOARD	\$ 46,968
RENT	\$ 28,668
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	\$ 7,095

TOTAL \$ 4,166,187.82

EXPENSES

PERSONNEL	\$ 1,423,210.73
TRAVEL	\$ 18,682.70
EQUIPMENT	\$ 32,331.90
CONTRACTUAL	\$ 2,918,998.62
COMMODITIES	\$ 103,974.24
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 44,567.22

TOTAL \$ 4,541,765.41

FUND BALANCES - NOVEMBER 30, 2021

HEALTH FUND	\$ 2,274,523.22
LIHEAP FUND	\$ 6,315.44
FMHA RESERVE FUND	\$ 41,625.24
TRANSFER FUND	\$ 701.00
PIPP FUND	\$ 7,896.45

TOTAL \$ 2,331,061.35

**FULTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES
AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2021**

Carla Ackerman	Program Specialist
Melody Albanito	Program Specialist
Tanya Anderson-Myers.....	Dental Assistant
Lacie Ball, BA.....	Program Coordinator
Angela Blickenstaff.....	Program Specialist
Deborah Bugos.....	Building and Grounds Assistant
Kim Bull, BSN, RN.....	Program Manager
Krista Cebuhar, APRN	Mid-Level Nurse Practitioner
Hope Cox, CVHT	Associate Health Professional
Martha Danielson, BSN, RN.....	Public Health Nurse
Conrad Davis	Health Professional
Jamie Davison, RN	Public Health Nurse
Kendee Delong	Program Specialist
Amy Edwards, RN.....	Family & Community Health Division Director
Paige Edwards	Program Specialist
Mariah Essex, BS	Health Professional
Kaitlin Gilstrap.....	Health Professional
Mackenzie Hedges.....	Associate Health Professional
Ed Henderson	Building and Grounds Assistant
Debbie Herrick.....	Public Health Nurse
Lori Hobbs, BA, RN, CLC	Public Health Nurse
Denise Jarvis.....	Health Professional
Carma Jones, AA.....	Office Systems Coordinator
Debra Lynch	Service Outreach Specialist
Katie Lynn, MPH, LEHP, REHS.....	Administrator
Julie McKinley.....	Program Specialist
Emily Nelson, RN.....	Public Health Nurse
Gretchen Platt.....	Dental Assistant
Brenda Reneau.....	Program Specialist
Joyce Riekema, RN.....	Public Health Nurse
Zachary Rollet.....	Health Professional
Amy Rose, BA.....	Human Resource Director/Dental Manager
Steve Sepich.....	Programs Manager
Jill Simmons.....	Billing Manager
Pam Smith, BA.....	Service Outreach Specialist
Theresa Stanko, RN.....	Public Health Nurse
Stacy Thompson, MS, LEHP, REHS.....	Environmental Health Director
Kathy Tolley, BSN, RN.....	Programs Manager
Angie Tompkins, AA.....	Service Outreach Specialist
Aimee Tucker.....	Breastfeeding Peer Counselor
Liz Utsinger, BS.....	Health Professional
Matthew Vogel	Health Professional
Julie Weaver-Ball, RN.....	Public Health Nurse
Cole Williams.....	Program Specialist
Cherish Zempel, RN	Program Manager

SELECTED DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

Table 1. Fulton County Demographics					
Subject	2010 Census		2014-2018 5-year estimates		Notes
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total Population	37,069	100.0	34,340	100	Since 2010, there has been a decrease in population of approximately 7.4%
Male	19,153	51.7	17,857	52	
Female	17,916	48.3	16,483	48	
Median Age Both Sexes	41.9	x	43	x	Since 2000, the median age of residents has increased 2.7 years.
Median Age Male	39.8	x	40.5	x	
Median Age Female	44.5	x	45.7	x	
Total Age 65+	6,692	18.1	7074	20.6	
Age 65+ male	2878	7.7	2986	8.7	
Age 65+ female	3,814	10.3	3778	11	
Race					
White	34,625	93.4	32,245	93.9	As demonstrated by this data, there has been a little change in Fulton County resident ethnicity since 2010
Black/African American	1,269	3.4	1374	4.0	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	131	0.4	240	0.7	
Asian	112	0.3	103	0.3	
Hispanic or Latino And Race					
Hispanic or Latino (any race)	896	2.4	1064	3.1	According to the data, there has been a 0.7% increase in the Hispanic population
Not Hispanic or Latino	36,173	97.6	31,455	91.6	
Total Housing Units	16,195	100	16,310	100	The number of vacant housing units has increased by 2.4%. The number of renter and owner occupied units has stayed steady.
Occupied Housing Units	14,536	89.9	14,090	86.4	
Vacant Housing Units	1,659	10.2	2,218	13.6	
Owner Occupied Units	11,082	76.2	12,526	76.8	
Renter Occupied Units	3,454	23.8	3784	23.2	

Table 1 Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000, 2010, 2014, and 2019

Table 2. Income				
Subject	2009-2013 5-year estimates	2014-2018 5-year estimates	Illinois 2014-2018	Median household income has increased, yet remains below the state average.
Median household income	\$45,130	\$50,180	\$63,575	
Median family income	\$56,215	x	x	
Per capita income	\$22,318	\$25,538	\$34,463	

Table 2 Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000, 2010, 2014, and 2019

TEEN BIRTH RATES

Table 13. Teen Birth Rates in Fulton County vs. Illinois, 2018-2019										
	2018					2019				
	Births	Teens	Under 18	18-19	Teen Percent	Births	Teens	Under 18	18-19	Teen Percent
Illinois	144,828	6458	1645	4813	4.4%	140,145	5948	1474	4474	4.2%
Fulton	321	30	8	22	9.3%	294	23	5	18	7.8%

Table 3 Source: IDPH Vital Statistics: Illinois Teen Births by County 2018-2019.

CAUSE OF DEATH

Table 16. Causes of Death in Fulton County vs. Illinois, 2019														
Area	Total Deaths	Cause of Death												
		Disease of Heart	Malignant neoplasms	Cerebro-vascular diseases (stroke)	Chronic lower Respiratory diseases	Accidents	Alzheimers disease	Diabetes mellitus	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Influenza and pneumonia	Septicemia	Intentional self-harm (suicide)	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	All other causes
Illinois	110,012	25,747	23,877	5,843	5,639	6,013	4,029	2,879	2,644	2,562	1,790	1,448	1,421	7,660
Fulton	487	105	106	21	33	22	25	10	8	18	9	*	*	*

Table 4 Source: IDPH Vital Statistics: Leading Causes of Death by Resident County 2019.

SPECIAL THANKS

The Fulton County Health Department would like to thank Dr. Joshua Bowers, Family Planning Medical Advisor; Dr. Jason Lowe, Sexually Transmitted Infections Medical Advisor; Dr. Marci Well, Maternal and Child Health Medical Advisor; Dr. Dwayne Bernard, TB Medical Advisor; and Graham Hospital Pharmacy. Their involvement allows our agency to provide quality health care to residents of Fulton County.

COLLABORATING AGENCIES

The Fulton County Health Department thanks the following agencies for their collaborative efforts this past year in bringing public health services to the residents of Fulton County.

Canton Park District
Canton Police Department
Canton Emergency Services and Disaster Agency
City Of Canton
Community Foundation Of Central Illinois
First Congregational United Church of Christ
Fulton County Cooperative Extension Service
Fulton County Coroner
Fulton County Emergency Medical Services
Fulton County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency
Fulton County Farm Bureau
Fulton County Schools
Fulton County Sheriff's Department
Fulton County Social Services Group
Fulton County State's Attorney
Fulton-Mason Crisis Services
Fulton-Schuyler Regional Office of Education
Graham Hospital
Graham Hospital School of Nursing
Graham Medical Services
Health and Wellness Clinic of Fulton County
Illinois State Police – District 14
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
North Central Behavioral Health System, Inc.
The Peoria Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure
Saint Francis Medical Center College of Nursing
Spoon River College
The Salvation Army
University of Illinois School of Medicine - College of Nursing
Canton Family YMCA
YWCA Canton

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The Fulton County Health Department will provide comprehensive public health services to the residents of Fulton County through health promotion, prevention, and education activities. We will continue our efforts to identify the health needs of those we serve and facilitate the provision and access of services to meet those needs.

Our goal is to reduce the incidence of disease and increase public awareness of healthy lifestyles.