# REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY 2022



# **Franklin Health Department**



HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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# FRANKLIN HEALTH DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW



# **Executive Summary**

Local health departments are established based on Wisconsin Statute Chapter 251.02(2). In Milwaukee County, there are 12 local Health Departments each maintained at the municipal level. The Franklin Health Department is a Level II Health Department and provides Public Health Nursing, Environmental Health Services, Health Promotion and Education, as well as Emergency Preparedness Services in the Franklin community.

The mission of the Franklin Health Department (FHD) is to protect and promote health and prevent disease and injury for all those that live, work, and play in the community. Although some may never have direct contact with the FHD, many of the improvements you see that prolong life and promote health and safety are a result of the work of our staff in and around the community.

# **Mission Statement**

The Franklin Health Department shall protect and promote health as well as prevent disease and injury by providing population based services that focus on improving the health status of the entire community.

Staff consist of Public Health Nurses, Public Health Specialists, and Registered Sanitarians who focus work on:

- Communicable disease surveillance, prevention and control
- Public Health Nursing
- Emergency Preparedness
- Health Promotion
- Disease Prevention
- Human Health Hazard Prevention and Control

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# REFERRALS, SCREENINGS, & DIRECT SERVICES

Public Health Staff provide a variety of services to the Franklin community including preventing the spread of illness, providing immunizations, facilitating health education programs, assessing growth and development of children, and conducting blood pressure screenings. Here is a snapshot of services our staff provided to you in 2022.

# Referrals

5,008	25	34	523
Communicable Disease	Rabies Control	Social Services	Walk-In Services
(Follow up on	(Animal Bites)	(Follow up on	(Blood pressure
diseases that		referrals regarding	checks, sharps
spread from one		well being, such as	disposal, resource
person to another)		frequent falls)	distribution)







# Immunizations

The Franklin Health Department provided over 750 immunizations in 2022 including flu shots, COVID-19 vaccine, childhood immunizations, and others such as HepA, Tdap, and Td.





**Social Services** 

In 2022 the Franklin Health Department provided follow up for over 30 residents who were referred for social service related needs.

# **Childhood Screenings & Parenting Resources**

### Car seat fittings

Certified Car Seat Technicians are on staff to assist with adjusting and fitting car seats for growing Franklin families! 29 car seat checks occurred with the FHD in 2022.



### **Developmental Screenings**

We assist Franklin parents, daycares, and schools in helping children to meet developmental milestones as they grow. The FHD facilitates Ages and Stages Questionnaires (ASQ) assessments with parents for children 2-60 months of age.

2022 was a year of adjustment from the COVID-19 pandemic response. The FHD continued to gather information from the Franklin community to determine what residents want and need in terms of public health services and resources. Services we look forward to resuming in 2023 include lactation consultation, infant massage, and home visiting.

# DATA DRIVEN COMMUNITY HEALTH INITIATIVES

The Franklin Health Department regularly collects information from the community on what people need and want in terms of health, prevention, and wellness. This data helps to guide our programs and determine how to best serve Franklin residents.

Every 3-5 years, our department completes a community health assessment. This serves as an opportunity to receive feedback from the community and dive deeply into the information gathered. This effort is what helps to shape the Community Health Improvement Plan.

Since 2021, we have been hard at work completing key informant interviews, focus groups, community surveys, and collaborating with the many sectors within Franklin for this assessment cycle.

2022 brought the launch of our first community partner meeting. This meeting served as an opportunity to come together and discuss health in Franklin. Goals will be set in early 2023, and collaborative projects will begin to form and take direction throughout the upcoming years!









# **ENVIRONMENTAL** HEALTH

FHD staff contribute to the Environmental Health of the community by inspecting food and lodging establishments as well as public pools. Inspections by our Registered Sanitarians include pre-inspections, routine inspections, follow ups, and mobile inspections. Plan review is also completed in our department for new or remodeling businesses. In 2022 we conducted over 200 inspections

243 22 103 31 75 12 Routine Follow Up Mobile Complaint **Pre Inspection** Inspection Follow Up Inspection Inspection temporary control operating routine grocery preparing establishments contamination knowledge temperature plan label hold health illness routines demonstration code event safe practices training equipment packaging cooling bacteria practice cleaning hazards preparation regulated salmonella cooking licensing labeling handwashing expiration storage contact refrigeration inspection hot gloves industry surface review disease healthy processing procedure

# 2022 Inspections

# **Sharps Collection**

The Franklin Health Department has a medical sharps collection program for Franklin residents. Residents may bring sharps in an approved container to the Health Department during normal business hours for free disposal.



In 2022, over 700 sharps containers were dropped off

1,506.4 lbs collected!

# Radon

Radon is a cancer- causing gas that you can't see, smell or taste but may be in your home.

We recommend all home owners assess their home for radon at least once.

Radon kits are available for a fee at the Franklin Health Department

76 radon test kits and radon education opportunities occurred in 2022

# Water Testing

Water testing is recommended for residents who receive water from wells. The Franklin Health Department offers free water test kits for residents wishing to test their wells.

# Lead

Almost 600 homes in Franklin were built before 1950 and may contain lead or varnish. Lead hazard screenings can be conducted by our trained staff to find possible solutions to remove the hazard.

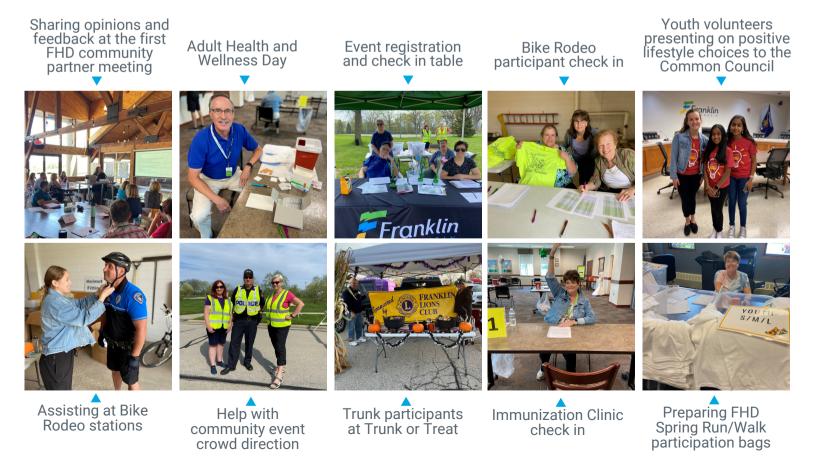
# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Each year, our staff train to be ready for Public Health Emergencies through participation in regional table top exercises and hosting large vaccine clinics as preparedness exercises. These annual preparedness exercises proved invaluable for our COVID-19 response. Active volunteers within our community are essential to emergency response.



The Franklin Health Department manages a volunteer registry of over 400 people who live, work, and play in Franklin and are willing and able to help in the event of a Public Health Emergency. Consider joining our efforts today!

Thank you to our volunteers who dedicated over 900 hours to health related efforts in the Franklin community in 2022!



# FRANKLIN HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE COMMUNITY





# Adult Wellness Workshops & Speaker Sessions

Nine events • 112 attendees Stepping On Stand up, Move More Mind over Matter Food as Medicine



# **Community Events**

### Nine events • 2,000+ attendees

Spring Walk/ Run National Prevention Week Activities Outdoor Movie Night Bike Rodeo Red Ribbon Week Adult Health and Wellness Day Trunk or Treat Healthy Holidays Immunization Clinics



# **Health and Wellness Day**

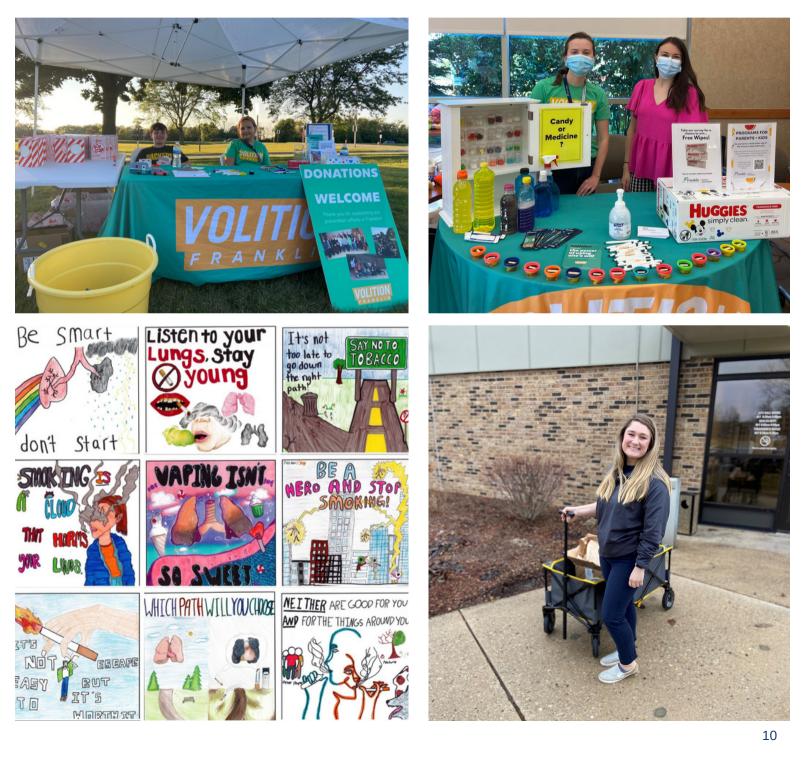
### 13 vendors · 300+ Attendees

The 21st Annual Adult Health and Wellness day was held with the first FHD seasonal flu clinic of the year. 336 flu shots were given to senior citizens of Franklin. Local resources were available and community connections were made.

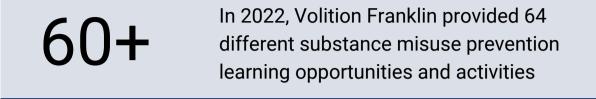
# VOLITION FRANKLIN

Volition Franklin is a coalition of partners from throughout the community working collectively to decrease substance misuse in Franklin Youth. This is done through awareness campaigns, providing resources, and supporting healthy decision making.

The coalition continues to grow and thrive! There are over 50 adult and youth members actively involved in making a difference in Franklin!



Many of Volition Franklin's events, activities, and resources are made possible through the Drug Free Communities Grant and collaboration with local partners.

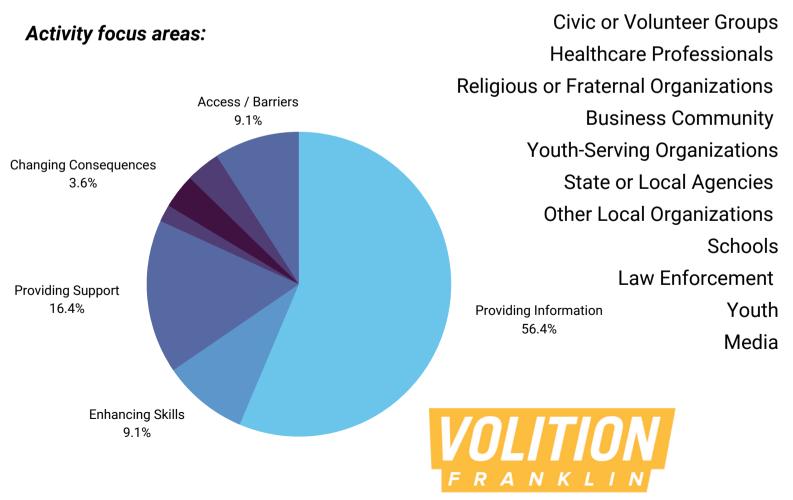


# Volition Franklin is staff led and community driven!

1,000+ hours of volunteer involvement\$125,000 + of in kind donations

# The coalition consists of representation from the following sectors:

Parents



### Franklin Park Concert Partnership

In 2022, Volition Franklin in partnership with the Franklin Health Department provided health related resources to the community at each local performance.

### Franklin Outdoor Movie Night

Volition Franklin hosted the 5th Annual family friendly outdoor movie night in the green space of City Hall. Approximately 200 individuals joined for this free event!

### Light and Unite Red Week

Each March, the coalition focuses on a far reaching, collaborative, community campaign to highlight the strengths of prevention and improve health across Franklin! This year, the coalition engaged the community in a "Pinwheels and Prevention" campaign in the lawn of the Public Library, lit various buildings and signs in the community in red, and contributed to a Mayoral Proclamation in the City.

# Spring Walk/Run

Over 300 residents and neighbors joined as the Franklin Health Department, Volition Franklin and the local YMCA joined forces to host a local toddler dash, 2 mile walk/run, and free yoga in Lion Legends Park. Community partners and local sponsors helped to make this event a success.

# **TATU Presentations**

Volition Franklin trained 12 high school students to present a youth led tobacco and vaping presentation to approximately 120 6th grade students in their health classes! The High School students act as a positive peer influence while providing facts regarding the harms of tobacco and nicotine on the body and encourage middle school students to stay smoke/vape free.

### **7th Grade Poster Contest**

Volition Franklin presented to over 400 middle school students on the topic of decision making and health. Students created uniquely designed tobacco education posters. A community panel picked the winners to be rewarded with a gift card and their poster to be made into a social media ad! Over 200 students submitted posters for the contest!

### **Trunk or Treat**

Each year, the coalition, Franklin Health Department, and the Franklin Public Library come together to gather community partners and "trunks" to create a robust family friendly event! This year, 37 Franklin area businesses hosted trunks and handed out candy to over 600 individuals!

### Franklin Christmas Parade

The coalition decorated a parade float and participated in the 2nd annual Franklin Christmas Parade. Volition Franklin youth handed out candy to over 200 people with prevention messaging. The float featured a Small Talks banner to encourage family conversations about underage drinking prevention.

# **Get Involved!**

Join our department's continued efforts to make our community a healthier place to live, work, and play in 2023!

Contact the FHD to be added to our volunteer registry and receive updates on upcoming volunteer opportunities!

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Medical and nonmedical volunteer tasks available!





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# We look forward to connecting with you in 2023!

















