



**HEALTH  
DEPARTMENT**



**2025  
ANNUAL REPORT**

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# Department Overview

The Franklin Health Department (FHD) strives to create a Franklin community in which everyone has the opportunity to live their healthiest life. Staff, volunteers, and the Franklin Board of Health work towards achieving this vision through data informed decision making. Public health foundational areas drive forward the delivery of essential public health services in the City of Franklin. The FHD staff consists of Administrative staff, Public Health Nurses, Public Health Strategists, and Registered Sanitarians who engage across disciplines to advance community health in Franklin.



## Mission Statement:

To protect and promote health and well-being within the Franklin community through disease prevention and health education.



## Vision:

A thriving Franklin community in which everyone has the opportunity to live their healthiest life.



## The Franklin Health Department was awarded Level III status in 2025!



Essential Services



Annual Reporting



Nursing Services



Essential Services



Annual Reporting



Nursing Services



Performance Management



Essential Services



Annual Reporting



Nursing Services



Performance Management



Environmental Health Services



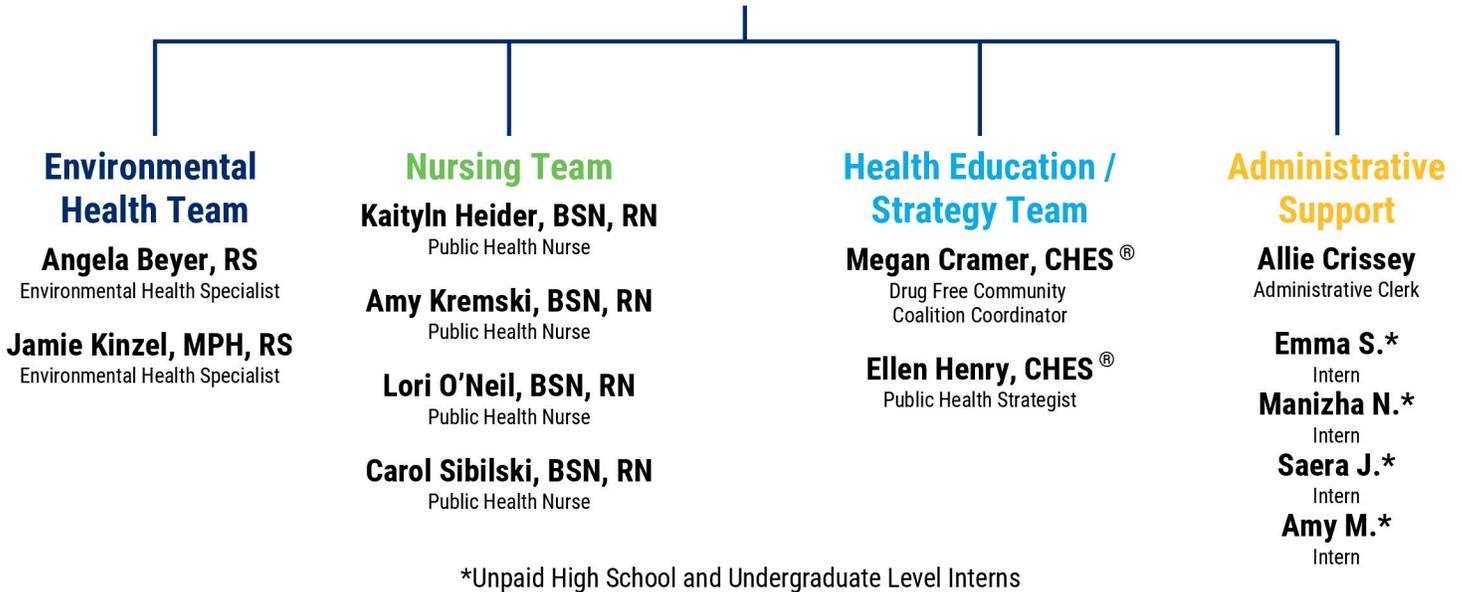
Community Health Strategist

The City of Franklin Health Department is certified as a Level III Health Department - the highest level of achievement in the State of Wisconsin. In 2025, the Health Department underwent evaluation by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services Division of Public Health. The Level III designation highlights the key role the Health Department plays in protecting and improving the health of community.

# Franklin Health Department Team

The Franklin Health Department employs a multidisciplinary team of public health professionals with a broad range of experience in health education, promotion, and protection.

**Lauren Gottlieb, MPH, CHES®**  
Health Officer



## Board of Health

The Franklin Board of Health (BOH) is an eight member City Board comprised of the Health Officer, an Alderperson, and six community members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The BOH provides oversight, leadership, and recommendations to the FHD to protect public health. Current BOH members include a dentist, a pharmacist, two physicians, two registered nurses, and a public health professional.

### Members:

- Dr. Henry Wengelewski, DDS, Chair
- Alderman Yousef Hasan
- Rebecca Eberhardt, RN
- Amy Marzofka, MPH
- Lauren Gottlieb, MPH, CHES®,  
  - Health Officer
- James Rydlewicz, MD
- Wayne Hustad, R.Ph.
- Pat Nissen, RN
- Patricia Golden, DO, MBA, CPE, FAAFP,  
  - Medical Advisor



# Community Health Data & Public Health Services

The Franklin Health Department utilizes Vital Record statistics to inform service offerings, community programming, and community health improvement priorities. In addition to death data, birth record information is also tracked and monitored.

## DEATHS\*

\*Top 10 leading causes of death in Franklin, listed by primary cause of death on death report.

	2025	Mortality Rate per 1,000
Cancer (Malignant Neoplasms)	80	2.17
Heart Disease	74	2.01
All Other	54	1.46
Accidents (Unintentional Injuries)	31	0.84
Alzheimer's Disease	23	0.62
Stroke (Cerebrovascular Disease)	21	0.57
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	13	0.35
Intentional Self-harm (Suicide)	9	0.24
Nutritional Deficiencies	8	0.22
Parkinson Disease	7	0.19
<b>Total Deaths, All Causes</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>9.98</b>



### What is a mortality rate?

A mortality, or death, rate is the number of deaths that occur divided by the total population.

$$\frac{80 \text{ cancer deaths}}{36,882 \text{ population}} \times 1,000 = 2.17$$

### Vital Records & Public Health Programming

The leading causes of death in Franklin in 2025 were Cancer (Malignant Neoplasms) (26%) and Heart Disease (17%).

Specific efforts were made in 2025 to expand FHD programming encouraging heart health and cancer prevention.

The Franklin Health Department performs a wide-variety of services and functions within the Franklin community.



# Franklin Health Department in the Community 2025

The Franklin Health Department took part in and hosted many community events, exercises, and trainings throughout 2025.

## January 2025

- Narcan Education Presentation to Optimist Club
- Nutrition Presentation at Franklin High School
- **29th** Annual Tobacco Prevention Poster Contest

## March 2025

- Light & Unite Red Week Proclamation
- **Glow-in-the-Dark Yoga** event at YMCA
- Heart Month - Blood Pressure Screenings

## May 2025

- Mental Health Month - Yard sign give-away
- Arbor Day Celebration - **Free radon kit** give-away
- Volition Franklin - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp presentation

## July 2025

- Civic Celebration - **Food Truck Inspections**
- Summer Smoothie Smash Presentation -
  - Franklin Public Library Teen Program
- Blood Pressure Clinic - Franklin Meadows

## September 2025

- **Food truck inspections** at two major city events
- Franklin Educational Foundation Glow Run -
  - Served on planning committee for event
- **Wehr Nature Center Bug Day - Fight the Bite**
  - Tick bite prevention education

## November 2025

- Franklin Health Collaborative quarterly meeting
- **Operation Deep Freeze:** Southeastern WI Community Organizations Assisting in Disaster (COAD) tabletop exercise

## February 2025

- City Staff Food Drive - **700+ lbs** of food collected
- AV screenings in Franklin Public Schools
- FHD staff presented at CADCA Leadership Forum in Washington DC

## April 2025

- **National Public Health Week** (Second Week)
- Franklin Health & Safety Day at Fire Station #1
- Vaping prevention education at Country Dale Elementary PTO STEAM Night

## June 2025

- Franklin Bike Rodeo - 100+ kids, 45 volunteers
  - **80+ bike helmets distributed**
- Education tables at 'Franklin Concerts in the Park'
- Hosted two summer college interns

## August 2025

- National Night Out - Food Safety Education
- Active response to **August 2025 flooding event**
- **Narcan Education** Pop-up Table - Franklin Public Library

## October 2025

- Adult Health & Wellness Fair - **300+ flu shots**
- Home Depot Kids Day - Car seat safety checks and medication safety
- 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Trunk-or-Treat - **1,200+ attendees**
- **Animal Bite Ordinance Update** - City Council Meeting

## December 2025

- Radon Education pop-up Table at Franklin Public Library Holiday Cookie Sale
- Hemp Derived Cannabinoids Regulations **Ordinance Passed** at City Council meeting

Additional events, programs, and initiatives highlighted throughout remainder of report!

# Community Collaborations

The Franklin Health Department (FHD) prioritizes community involvement and collaboration with partners to address emerging and existing health needs in the Franklin community. Collaboration strengthens the work of the FHD and local health partners, allowing the FHD to better serve the community, leverage resources, share expertise, and implement effective strategies that promote health and well-being for all.

***Hear from Franklin Health Collaborative members on our collaborative community work:***



The FHD is involved in driving health improvement. The involvement of the department in community events and FHD visibility in the community is an asset that makes FHD services and resources easier to access.

The FHD is doing an amazing job in finding creative ways to do outreach in the community and is a valuable resource!

The Franklin Health Department is the corner stone of the community and the FHD brings partners together to help see what we can collectively do to help support the community!

***The Franklin Health Department also collaborates with the community to provide educational opportunities for students interested in public health. In 2025, FHD hosted four interns from local schools.***



Saera J.  
Franklin High School



Amy M.  
Franklin High School



Manizha N.  
UW - Milwaukee



Emma S.  
UW - La Crosse

# Franklin Health Collaborative

The Franklin Health Collaborative is a network of health focused individuals and organizations convening to analyze local data and craft local solutions to support a healthy Franklin. Members contribute perspective, information/data, ideas, and support to improve health locally.

The work of the Franklin Health Collaborative is guided by local community data collected during the Community Health Assessment (CHA), as well as priority areas, goals, and objectives set within the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). **The following page outlines various projects and accomplishments the Franklin Health Collaborative achieved in 2025.**

## Health Improvement Accomplishments in 2025:



### PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION

The FHD worked together with a variety of community partners to organize and participate in multiple educational events focused on physical activity and nutrition for community members of all ages in 2025.

**10+**

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION EVENTS ATTENDED IN 2025

### MENTAL & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH



LAUNCHED THE ID CHECK TOOLKIT AND HARM REDUCTION RESOURCE GUIDE FOR LOCAL BARS & RESTAURANTS WITH SUPPORT FROM THE FRANKLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

### COMMUNITY CONNECTEDNESS

Connected communities play a vital role in enhancing both mental and physical well-being and contribute to increased safety/resilience in the face of community crises. Strong connections help individuals to lead longer, healthier lives. **In 2025, the FHD collaborated with members of the Franklin Health Collaborative to further strengthen community connections and support in Franklin.**



**10,000+**



PEOPLE REACHED AT COMMUNITY EVENTS THROUGHOUT 2025

### Partner Organizations

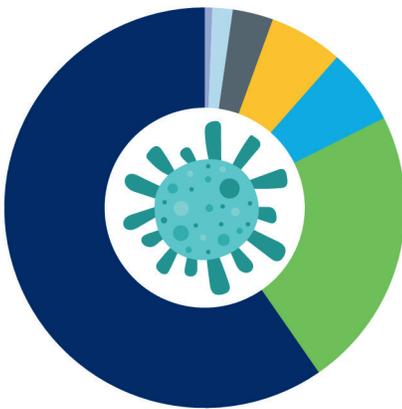
Ascension Franklin - Briscoe Family YMCA - Carma Labs - City of Franklin Officials - Community Medical Services  
Conservancy for Healing & Heritage - Franklin Educational Foundation - Franklin Fire Department - Franklin Pediatrics  
Franklin Public Schools - Franklin Police Department - Franklin Public Library - Franklin School Board  
Midwest Orthopedic Specialty Hospital - MS Run the US - Polonia Soccer Club - Victory of the Lamb - Volition Franklin  
Southbrook Church - State Farm Insurance - Wehr Nature Center - WI Cancer Collaborative - and more!

# Communicable Disease Control

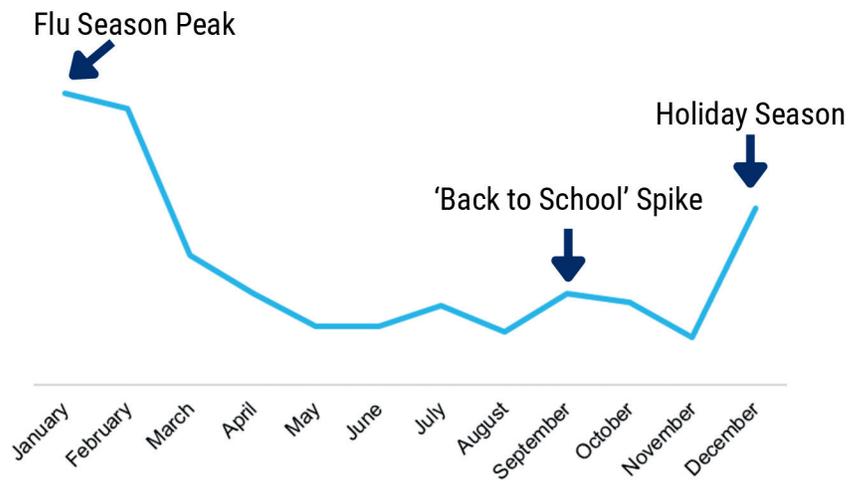
Communicable diseases are infections that can be spread from person to person, from animals to people, or through contact with contaminated food or surfaces. In 2025, the FHD Communicable Disease Program continued its commitment to monitoring, preventing, and responding to disease activity in the Franklin community. Working alongside local healthcare providers, the FHD team supported effective treatment and recovery while helping to prevent further disease transmission.

## Communicable Disease Highlights in 2025:

**488** disease investigations



- Respiratory: 60%**
- Sexually Transmitted: 23%**
- Enteric: 6%**
- Other: 6%**
- Invasive Bacteria: 3%**
- Vaccine Preventable: 2%**
- Environmental: <1%**



## 2025 At-a-Glance

**9** communicable disease outbreaks managed by FHD staff in 2025

**6** average # of hours each communicable disease may take for follow up

**200%** increase in influenza associated hospitalizations compared to 2024

### Communicable Disease Reporting

Wisconsin law has communicable disease reporting requirements that require the FHD's responsibility to control the presence and spread of diseases in our community. A comprehensive list of reportable diseases can be found on the Wisconsin Department of Health Service's website through the QR code to the right or by visiting: [www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/reporting.htm](http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/reporting.htm).



# Immunizations & Clinical Services

One of the best ways to prevent chronic and vaccine-preventable diseases is by staying current on routine health screenings and recommended vaccinations. The FHD provides a range of clinical services and routine immunizations to eligible individuals, contributing to the overall health and wellness of the Franklin community.

**In 2025, the FHD expanded clinic hours to host weekly clinics to better accommodate the needs of the Franklin community.**



**TB SKIN TESTS**

The FHD offers tuberculosis (TB) skin tests to community members for a nominal fee. TB skin tests show if a person has been infected with TB bacteria.

**47**  
**TB SKIN TESTS**



**BLOOD PRESSURE**

Blood pressure (BP) checks screen individuals for hypertension, or high BP. The FHD regularly offers BP checks to accommodate the community.

**54**  
**BP CHECKS**



## 2025 At-A-Glance

**598** immunizations given in 2025

**11%** increase in immunization program usage over last year

**3** mass influenza vaccine clinics

**94.8%** of Franklin Public School students met the minimum immunization requirements in 2025

Wisconsin Dept. of Instruction Data, 2025.

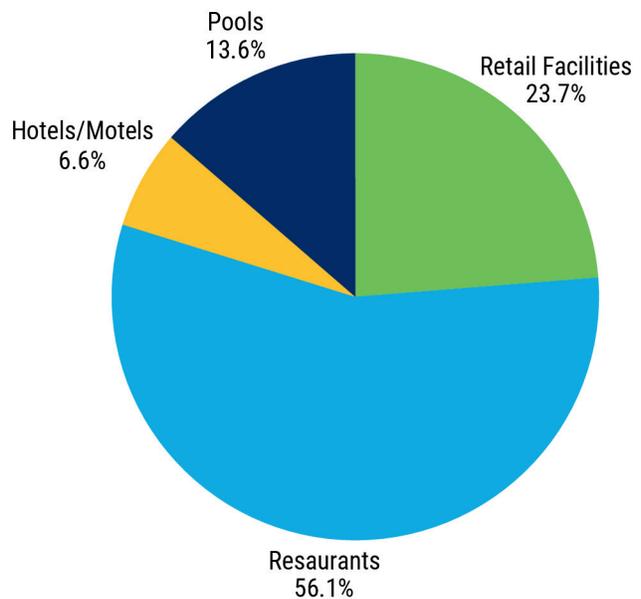
# Environmental Health Services & Inspections

As an agent of the **Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP)**, the Franklin Health Department (FHD) is responsible for licensing and inspecting all retail food establishments, school kitchens, hotels, motels, swimming pools, and mobile or transient food vendors in Franklin. In addition to conducting inspections, Registered Sanitarians at the FHD offer education and assistance to operators on proper food handling, sanitation, hygiene practices, pool management, and water quality. The FHD also works with businesses, conducting plan reviews and equipment approvals for new construction or remodeling.

**In 2025, the FHD completed 349 inspections & licensed 198 facilities.**

Activity	2025
Pre-Inspection	7
Routine Inspections	172
Follow-up Inspections	42
Re-Inspections	6
Transient & Mobile	101
Complaints	8
Other	13
<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>349</u></b>

## Types of Facilities Licensed in Franklin:



**12.5%** increase in inspection services over past year

*FHD Environmental Health Staff in the community*

*Franklin continues to see increases in development and licensed facilities. The FHD dedicates grant dollars to support a .4 FTE Sanitarian position to support the increased need of environmental health services.*

**FHD staff inspected 101 temporary & mobile food vendors at 13 events in 2025.**



Food Safety education at National Night Out

# Environmental Health Services & Inspections

In addition to inspections and licensing, the FHD works to protect community members by promoting safe and healthy environments and reducing environmental health exposures to chemicals and other pollutants in air, water, soil, and food.



## Radon in Franklin

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that can cause cancer. About 1 in 10 homes in WI have high radon levels. The FHD works to educate on the dangers of radon gas, the importance of testing your home, and serves as a site for affordable radon testing kits.

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RADON TESTS KITS DISTRIBUTED

## Water Test Kits

The WI DNR recommends residents using private wells annually test their water for bacteria and nitrates. The WI DNR currently recommends Franklin residents also sample for molybdenum.

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WATER TESTS KITS DISTRIBUTED

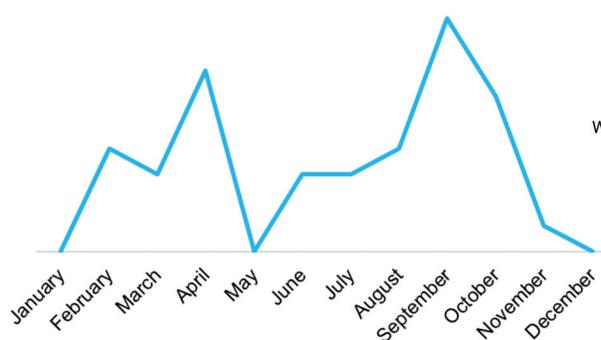
## Animal Bites & Rabies Prevention

The FHD works with the Franklin Police Department regarding animal bites and potential rabies exposure. Most bite investigations involve domestic dogs/cats and require between 3-12 days of follow up with the bite victim, animal owner, Police Department, and veterinary offices.

### Animal Bite/Rabies Prevention Highlights in 2025

- The FHD team collaborated with Franklin PD to revise the 'dangerous dog' City ordinance.
- In July 2025, the FHD coordinated rabies testing for three wild animals (bat, raccoon, and woodchuck) residents had encountered among several others throughout the year.

Animal Bite Investigations by Month

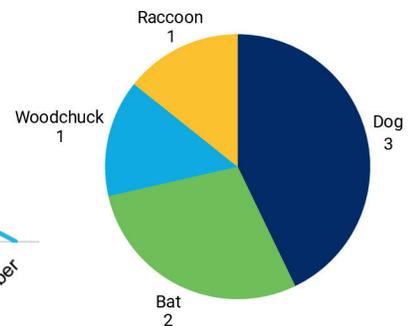


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ANIMAL BITE INVESTIGATIONS

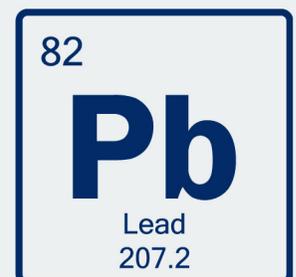


Animals Tested for Rabies in 2025



## Lead Poisoning & Testing

The FHD annually assists families with an elevated lead risk and/or lead level through environmental hazard investigations and connection to clinical and other supportive services. **Two FHD staff became Certified Lead Risk Assessors in 2025.**



# Maternal, Child, & Family Health (MCH)

In 2025, the Franklin Health Department sustained its commitment to Maternal, Child, and Family Health (MCH) through a range of programs and initiatives serving the Franklin community. These initiatives are designed to meet the evolving health needs of individuals and families across generations while fostering a connected and supportive community environment. Central to these efforts are ongoing community education, partnership development, and coordination of accessible health services.

## Maternal, Child, and Family Health Highlights in 2025:

**321** births in Franklin



### Welcome Baby Program

The FHD began the 'Franklin Welcome Baby' program in 2025. Families received a letter with information on local childhood health resources, programs available through the FHD and local partners, as well as a 'Franklin's Newest Resident' onesie.



**80+** helmets fitted at annual Bike Rodeo



### Car Seat Education Program

The Franklin Health Department offers no-cost car seat safety checks to all residents. A certified Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST) provides education to parents, caregivers, and grandparents on how to properly install a child's car seat to reduce the chance of a serious injury or death if involved in a motor vehicle crash. **The FHD has 3 trained CPSTs.**

**40** car seat installations in 2025

# MCH Community Education & Outreach

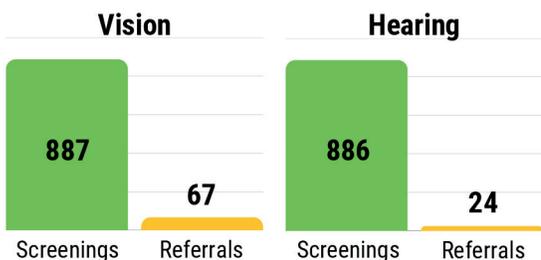
The FHD provides services for the community informed by local data and local needs. In addition to direct services offered daily, FHD staff also planned, facilitated, and hosted several events focused on maternal, child, and family health and safety in 2025.

## MCH Community Education & Outreach Highlights in 2025:

### Childhood Health Screenings

**Developmental Screenings:** FHD staff support Franklin parents, daycares, and schools in helping children to meet developmental milestones. The FHD promotes the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) assessments with parents for children 2-60 months of age.

**Hearing/Vision Screenings:** FHD staff annually partner with Franklin Public Schools to offer Hearing/Vision screenings to all students in Kindergarten, 2nd grade, and 4th grade in each elementary school.



*In 2025, FHD attended the Franklin Public School's 3-year old 'Development Days' to provide developmental screenings.*

### Franklin 'Health & Safety' Day

The FHD partnered with the Franklin Fire Department, Franklin Police Department, Franklin Public Library, Children's WI, and our local State Farm Insurance branch to host the annual Franklin Health & Safety Day in April of 2025.

Various resources and trainings were available, including:

- Car Seat Safety Checks
- Infant/Pediatric CPR Trainings
- Medication Collection
- Fire Extinguisher Training



### Youth Outreach Snapshot in 2025



FHD staff attended the Franklin Public Schools **5<sup>th</sup> Grade camp** to educate future middle-schoolers on kindness & resiliency skills.



The **Volition Franklin Youth group** distributed prevention resources and treats to over 1,200 attendees at the annual Trunk or Treat event.

# Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention

The FHD works to promote health and quality of life, while decreasing preventable chronic diseases and injuries that occur in the Franklin community. Local efforts are driven by community education campaigns, point-of-contact education during direct services, serving as subject-matter experts in professional presentations, and hosting activities and events that promote and support healthy lives.

## Sharps Collection Program

The FHD serves as a sharps collection site for **City of Franklin residents**. Wisconsin law requires proper disposal of sharps, needles, syringes, syringes with medication, lancets, and unused epinephrine used at home for people (or pets). Sharps must be collected in appropriate containers and taken to collection sites for safe disposal. FHD accepts sharps in:

- **Biohazard Containers/Red SHARPS containers**
  - FHD sold 140 Sharps containers in 2025
- **Thick-walled, plastic laundry detergent containers**

# 856

**SHARPS  
CONTAINERS  
COLLECTED  
IN 2025**

**Over 15% increase in use of the FHD sharps program over the past year!**



## Medication Safety

The FHD partners with the Franklin Police Department to support the Franklin Medication Drop Box.

***In 2025, 1,440 pounds of unused and expired medications were collected.***

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**MEDICATION  
TAKE-BACK  
EVENTS**



## Feeding Franklin - Food Drive

The FHD organizes an annual Franklin staff food drive for local food pantries. Departments are encouraged to contribute the most needed items for a chance to win the **'Golden Can'** Award.

# 700

**POUNDS OF  
FOOD  
COLLECTED**

# Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention

Alongside providing health services such as sharps disposal, FHD staff are dedicated to enhancing health and quality of life through in-person programs and educational events. Many of these events focus on both the prevention and management of chronic diseases and injuries.

## Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention Highlights in 2025:

### STEPPING ON, FALL PREVENTION

Evidence-based community fall prevention workshop the FHD offers twice a year. 'Stepping On' falls prevention classes run for 7-weeks. It covers a range of issues, including falls and risk, strength and balance exercises, home hazards, safe footwear, vision and falls, safety in public places, community mobility, coping after a fall, and understanding how to initiate a medication review.

**26**  
PARTICIPANTS

### MIND OVER MATTER, BLADDER HEALTH

Evidence-based bladder health workshop the FHD offers twice a year. 'Mind over Matter' is a 3-week program designed to give individuals the tools they need to take control of bladder and bowel leakage.

**12**  
PARTICIPANTS

### BOOST YOUR BRAIN & MEMORY WORKSHOP

Evidence-based brain health program the FHD offers once a year. 'Boost Your Brain' workshop runs for 8-weeks and helps participants build new habits to maintain cognitive health while also practicing new skills for better memory performance.

**12**  
PARTICIPANTS



### Free From Falls Fair

The FHD partnered with the Milwaukee County Falls Prevention Coalition to provide the annual 'Free From Falls' fair in September 2025 during National Falls Prevention Month. Various injury prevention resources and healthcare partners were present offering free screenings & risk assessments for Milwaukee County residents.



**Franklin Health Department programs receive high remarks and are valued by community members. Courses often reach full capacity, operating with waitlists in place.**

*The FHD is actively working to increase our capacity to offer programming and alleviate wait lists.*

# Substance Misuse & Harm Reduction

The Franklin community is not immune to the many harmful effects of substance misuse. The FHD works to address substance misuse and provide harm reduction services in the community through a variety of educational and preventative initiatives including policy, systems, and environmental change. Through these efforts, the FHD team hopes to help foster a protective environment for all community members no matter how their lives are touched by substance misuse.



The FHD worked with the Franklin Police Dept. to recommend a City Ordinance restricting the sale of hemp-derived cannabinoids to individuals 21+ in Franklin.

**21+**  
AGE RESTRICTION  
FOR HEMP-DERIVED  
CANNABINOIDS

**An official City Ordinance was passed in December of 2025 regulating the sale of hemp-derived cannabinoids in the City of Franklin.**



The FHD's 29th Annual 'Posters for Prevention' contest challenged 7-grade students to create a poster about the harmful effects of commercial tobacco.

**300+**  
POSTER  
SUBMISSIONS

**Congratulations to our 2025 winners from Forest Park Middle School and Indian Community School!**



## 2025 At-A-Glance

**298** Naloxone doses distributed to community

**57%** increase in Naloxone distribution from 2024

**9** substance misuse prevention focused community education events

**100%** compliance among tobacco retailers during annual underage tobacco compliance checks

# Substance Misuse Prevention - Volition Franklin

Volition Franklin is a coalition of community partners, embedded within the Franklin Health Department for over fifteen years, working to prevent youth substance misuse. Volition Franklin empowers youth to make healthy choices, especially related to tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs.

**Thank you to our partners for their ongoing support and collaboration!**



## Notable Achievements in 2025:

### Friends of Franklin Award:

Recognition program from the Franklin Public Schools that honors a community member or community group that supports the mission of Franklin Public Schools. In January 2025, Volition Franklin was honored with this award, which reflects the outstanding efforts of numerous individuals and organizations within our coalition.



### WASBO Safety, Security & Wellness Award:

Recognizes and promotes Wisconsin school districts for their efforts in creating safe and healthy learning environments for students and staff. Franklin Public Schools, in partnership with the Franklin Health Department, Franklin Fire Department, and Volition Franklin, has been recognized for their outstanding commitment to fostering a safe and healthy learning environment.



### Beyond the Call to Action: Outstanding Substance Use Prevention Professional Award:

The Department of Health and Human Services presented this award at Wisconsin's annual Substance Use Prevention Conference. This award Recognizes Volition Franklin Coalition Coordinator Megan Cramer for her efforts to engage her neighbors and community organizations in education and empowerment activities.



### CADCA National Leadership Forum Presentation:

Volition Franklin and Franklin Health Department staff were invited to speak in Washington D.C. about how coalitions can partner with their Health Department to create local policy change.



# Access to & Linkage with Care

The FHD is dedicated to meeting the needs of the Franklin community, from the youngest newborns to the aging population. The FHD ensures Franklin's most vulnerable residents receive support in various ways through assisting individuals and families with direct services and also through connecting them with access to care and suitable resources within our region to best address their needs.



Franklin Senior Health Fair, October 2025

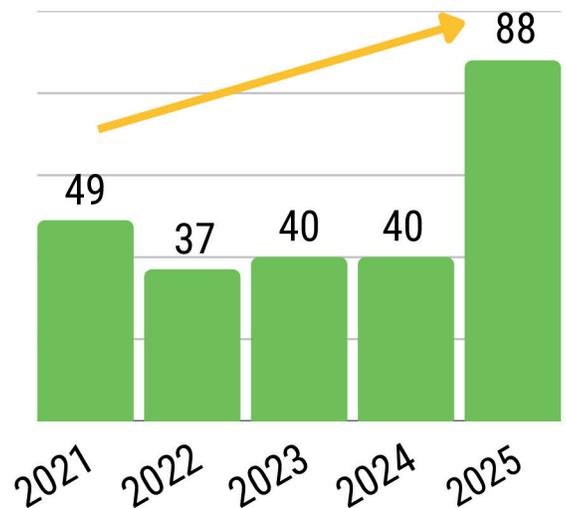
## 26th Adult Health & Wellness Fair

In October 2025, the FHD hosted its annual **Adult Health & Wellness Fair** at the Franklin Public Library. This event offers resources for aging community members and their families to support their health and ensure residents remain healthy, happy, and in their homes. Each year, over **350 residents** participate, benefiting from valuable information provided by more than **25 local healthcare organizations and vendors**.

## Social Service Referrals

The FHD's dedicated staff members work tirelessly to address the needs of Franklin community members. In 2025, the FHD received 88 referrals from concerned friends/family members and community partners including the Franklin Fire Department, Franklin Police Department and local health care organizations.

1 year increase = 120%  
5 year increase = 80%



The FHD and the Franklin Fire Department have spearheaded the **Community Paramedic Program** to better address social service needs within the Franklin community. In 2025 the FHD utilized awarded grant funding to support further education for Franklin Fire Department staff to strengthen the local Community Paramedic Program and partnership between departments.

**Common Concerns for Referrals in Franklin:** Resources to stay in home, cognitive decline, hoarding, self-neglect, frequent 911 calls, transportation, medical care management, chronic disease concerns, falls, clutter, poor living conditions, safe living, alcoholism, infestations, wound care, home health care, food insecurity, & more.

# Public Health Emergency Preparedness

The FHD is proud of its emergency preparedness work and is unwavering in its commitment to proactively anticipating, preventing, responding to, and recovering from public health emergencies. Public health emergencies range from weather related natural disasters, such as extreme cold or flooding, to disease outbreaks caused by food, viruses, chemical spills or bioterrorism threats.

Each year, FHD staff engage in organizing large-scale immunization clinics as part of the department's preparedness initiatives, along with regional exercises to enhance our capabilities and readiness for response. When Public Health emergencies occur, the FHD is immediately involved and active in coordinating resources and volunteers, setting up mass clinics, collaborating with partners to provide essential services such as food, housing and clothing, establishing family assistance centers, and much more.



The FHD played an integral role in the August flood response within the City of Franklin and in Southeastern Wisconsin. FHD staff assisted with flooding response and recovery efforts within the City, County and State. FHD staff also distributed flood clean up kits donated by community organizations to residents in need.

**100+**  
**PHONE CALLS WITH RESIDENTS IMPACTED BY FLOOD FOR CONNECTION TO RESOURCES**

**4** **City staff emergency preparedness trainings coordinated by FHD**

## 2025 At-a-Glance

**1** emergency shelter opened through Red-Cross

**2** licensed facility fires requiring off-hours response

**1** mass vaccine clinic exercise

**117**

Franklin volunteers registered within the WI Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry (WEAVR)



# Opportunities to Get Involved

*The Franklin Health Department facilitates several local coalitions and workgroups that support local health in Franklin. Read below for a look at opportunities of how to get involved.*



## Franklin Health Collaborative

A collective group of community leaders, stakeholders, and residents collaborating for a shared goal of a healthy Franklin. The group is currently addressing physical activity, mental health, and community connection.

## Volition Franklin

A community coalition focused on substance misuse prevention among Franklin youth. This is accomplished through community events, information sharing, education, and an emphasis on community connections.

## Feeding Franklin

A community coalition of local food pantries, convened by the Franklin Health Department to help address food insecurity locally.

## Health Department Volunteers

Franklin Health Department volunteers support a wide-variety of events, from our annual Bike Rodeo and Trunk-or-Treat, to community vaccine clinics.



# 2025 Data At-A-Glance

Clinical Services	
Communicable Disease investigations	410
Immunizations (flu & non-flu) administered	598
Blood pressure screenings	54
TB Skin tests administered	47
Maternal and Child Health	
Vision screenings	887
Hearing screenings	886
Car Seat checks completed	40
Bike Rodeo attendees	100+
Helmets distributed	80+
Environmental Health	
Sharps containers collected	856
Sharps containers distributed	140
Animal bite investigations	40
Radon test kits distributed	92
Water test kits distributed	26
Licensed facility inspections completed	349
Licensed facility complaint investigations	8

Community Health	
Narcan doses distributed	298
Social service referrals	88
Stepping On participants	26
Mind Over Matter participants	12
Boost Your Brain & Memory participants	12
Community outreach interactions	10,000+
Trunk or Treat attendees	1,200+
Communications	
<p>The Franklin Health Department maintains a Facebook account to share timely and important community health information. In 2024, the City of Franklin Health Department Facebook page achieved:</p> <p><b>Social Media Views:</b> <b>180,000+</b></p> <p>Follow the Health Department on social media to stay up to date on events and health information!</p>	
	

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*We look forward to connecting for a healthy 2026!*



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