



# COMMUNITY REPORT



**2018**

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Franklin High School  
WIAA State Champions

- Boys Track 1969
- Division II Football 2006
- Girls Poms 2007, '08, '09
- Girls Cheerleading 2009



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# Franklin Health Department Overview

Local health departments are established based on Wisconsin Statute Chapter 251.02(2) which states counties with populations over 500,000 must establish a local health department. Therefore there is no Milwaukee County Health Department but rather 12 Local Health Departments that are maintained at the municipal level. The Franklin Health Department is a Level II health department which provides public health nursing, environmental health, health education and emergency preparedness services in the community.

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



# Board of Health

By law each Health Department in Wisconsin must have a Board of Health (BOH). In Franklin our BOH consists of six citizens appointed by the Mayor, the Health Officer, a Medical Advisor, and an Alderperson.

The BOH meets monthly to ensure the work of the Health Department is meeting the needs of the community and keeping to its Mission, Vision, and Goals to improve the health, safety and quality of life for those that encounter our community.



## Mission Statement

The Franklin Health Department shall protect and promote health as well as prevent diseases and injury by providing population based services that focus on improving the health status of the entire community. We do this by providing three core public health functions: **Assess** the community's health status; **Develop** health policy; and **Assure** necessary services are available.

## Board of Health Members

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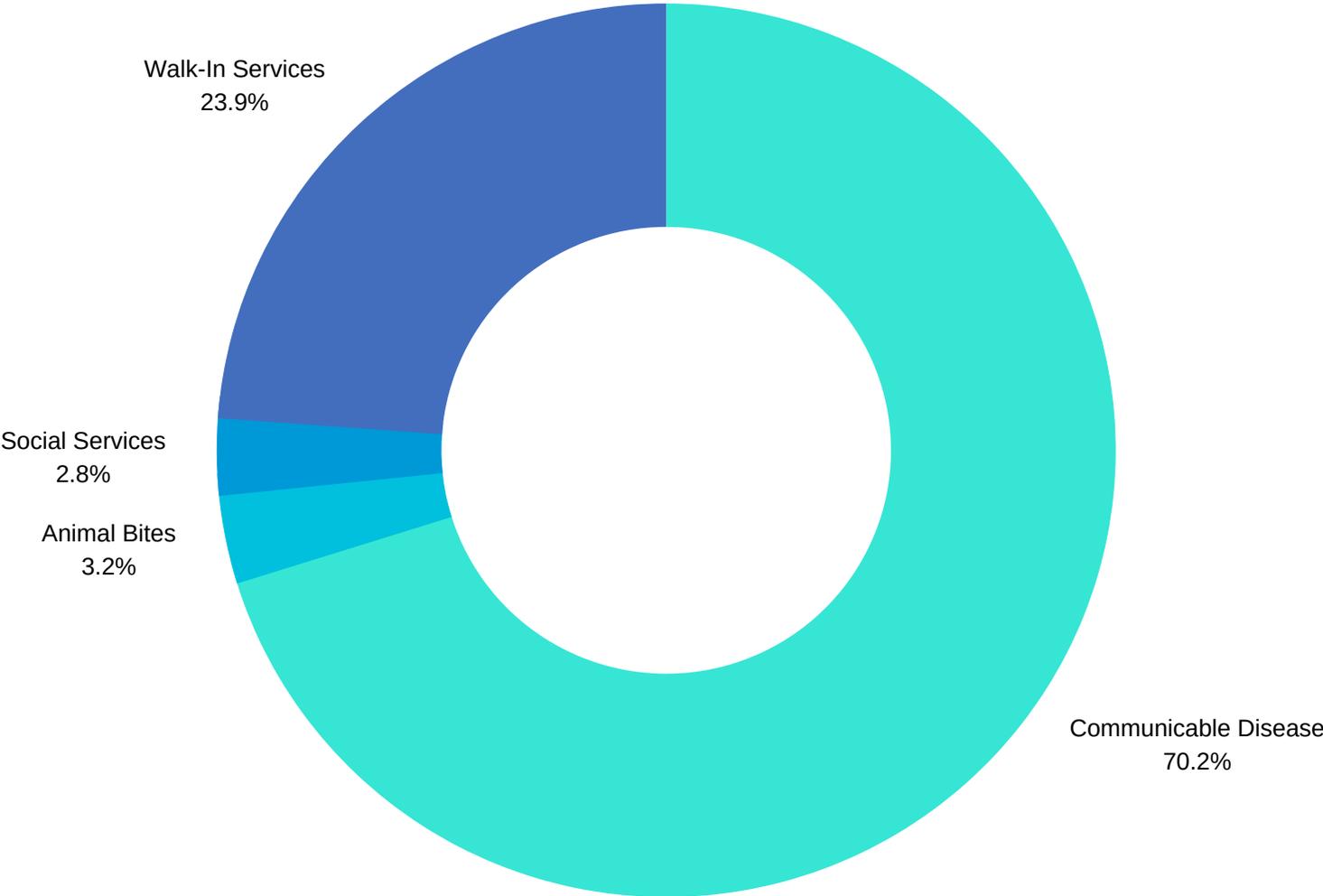
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# Referrals, Screenings, & Direct Services

Public health staff provide a variety of services to the Franklin community including preventing the spread of illnesses, providing immunizations, leading health education programs, assessing growth and development of children, and conducting blood pressure screenings. Here is a snap shot of services our staff provided to you in 2018.

## Referrals



## Immunizations

- Franklin Health Department provided 1,344 immunizations in 2018 including over 1,200 flu shots.
- Franklin school aged children are 95.8% compliant with immunization requirements set by the Wisconsin Immunization Program.

## Blood Pressure Readings

Public health nurses are available at the Health Department and at various community sites to take blood pressures and answer simple medical questions and concerns.

Clients seen in 2018:

- The Woods of Cedar Village: 27
- Franklin Meadows: 52
- Franklin Senior Dining: 75
- Franklin Health Department: 69

## Childhood Screenings

We assist Franklin parents, day cares, and schools help children meet development milestones as they grow. Below are some of the assessment services we provided throughout 2018:

### Ages and Stages Questionnaires

Ages and Stages Questionnaires (ASQ) are a screening tool for children 2-60 months. In 2018 FHD PHNs facilitated 23 ASQ assessments with Franklin families.

### Hearing, Vision, BMI Screening

FHD conducts hearing, vision, and weight screenings for children at the public schools. In 2018, 2,124 children were screened for hearing and vision and 1,206 for BMI. If a discrepancy is observed, the child is referred to their primary physician for follow-up.

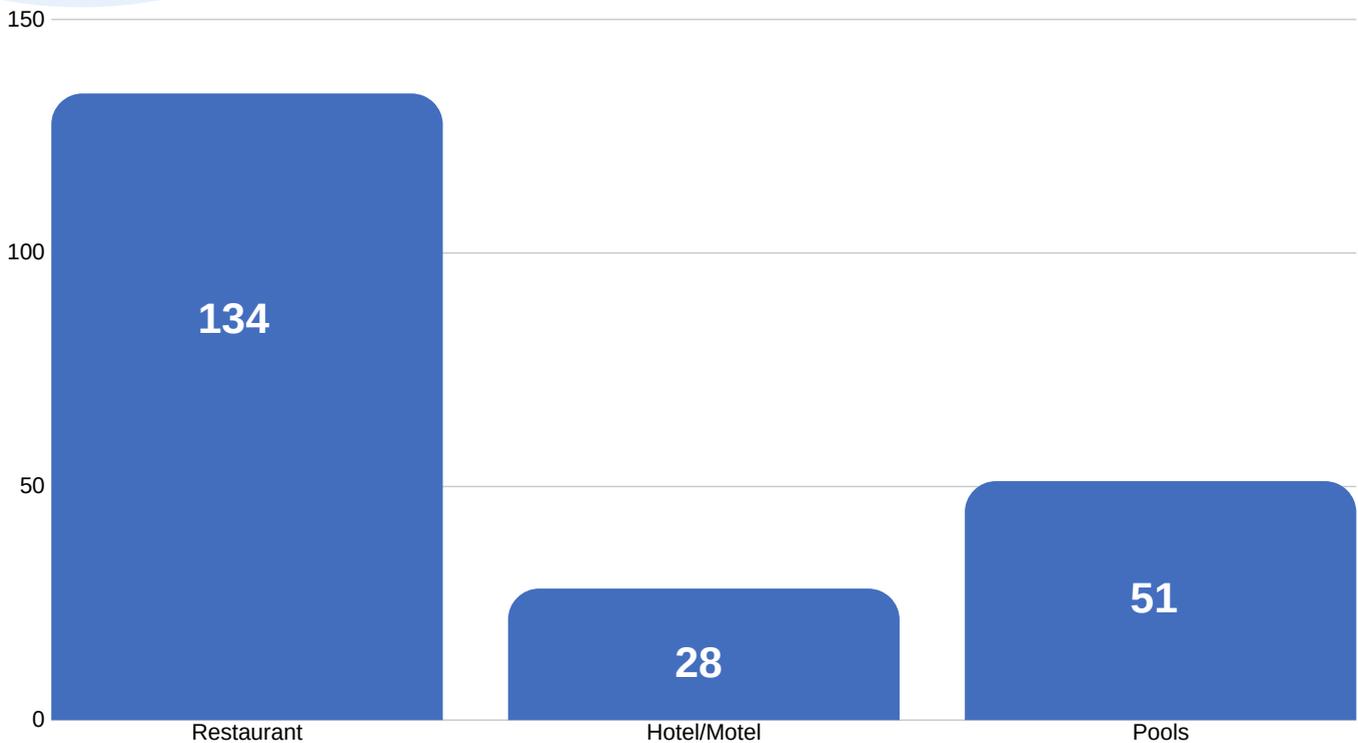
### Franklin Development Days

FHD assists the School District in assessing 3 year old readiness for school. In 2018 FHD PHNs assisted with screening of 15 children to determine their readiness for school with appropriate milestone development.

# Environmental Health

Franklin Health Department contributes to the environmental health of the community by inspecting food and lodging establishments as well as public pools, monitoring the blood lead level of children, providing test kits for radon and well water, and providing a sharps disposal service.

## 2018 Registered Sanitarian Inspections



# Sharps Collection

Did you know we have a medical sharps collection program for Franklin residents? Residents may bring sharps in approved hard plastic containers to the Health Department during normal business hours for FREE disposal.

## 2018 Stats

Sharps waste collected and properly disposed of from Community and FHD clinics: **1,102 pounds!!**

Franklin residents may also purchase new sharps containers from FHD



## 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 in our office.

In 2018, 83 radon kits were sold to Franklin residents.

## Water Testing

For our residents that receive their water from wells, we recommend an annual test. We offer 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 paint or varnish. FREE lead hazard screenings can be conducted by our staff along with possible solutions to remove the hazard.

# Emergency Preparedness



We have a volunteer database of over 400 residents willing and able to help in the event of a public health emergency. Contact us weekdays at 414-425-9101 if you want to be added to our list.

Each year our staff trains to be ready for public health emergencies by hosting influenza vaccine clinics as a mass clinic exercise.



September is National Preparedness Month, but we help you plan for natural and man-made disasters year round. Visit our website [www.franklinwi.gov](http://www.franklinwi.gov) for community resources or check out [ready.gov](http://ready.gov) for help making a disaster plan.

# Volition Franklin & Drug Free Communities Grant

Volition Franklin is a coalition of community partners from twelve sectors that carry out awareness campaigns, offer resources, and help support healthy decision-making regarding substance misuse. In 2018, Volition Franklin hosted over 50 community events (including Light and Unite Red Week, National Prevention Week, the Franklin Outdoor Movie Night, and Red Ribbon Week) and logged 2,553 volunteer hours in Franklin! Volition Franklin activities are sponsored in part by the Drug Free Communities Grant.



Light and Unite Red Week  
January 22-28, 2018





(Above) Franklin students display their prevention messages for their peers.



(Left) Volition Franklin Youth helping promote healthy summer activities at the Outdoor Movie Night.

On December 18, 2018 the Franklin Common Council voted to include electronic cigarettes in the current tobacco ordinance thanks in large part to the efforts by the Volition Franklin Youth group to educate the Council on the health risks associated with electronic cigarettes.



# Franklin Health Department in the Community

## Adult Speaker Series

20 Events  
600 Attendees  
6 Community Locations

## Health & Wellness Day

September 26, 2018 was the 19th Annual Senior Health & Wellness Day. Over 650 people attended the event with almost 20 exhibitors and over 10 health care partners on hand to assist our Senior population access health and wellness services in and around the Franklin community.

## Feeding Franklin

Our New Year's Resolution was to help those in need. We challenged City Staff to fill the shelves of local food pantries.

In 2018 963 pounds of food and \$200 was donated to help those in need.

## Bike Rodeo

Each summer FHD and the Franklin Police Department join other community partners to host a Bike Rodeo for children ages 6-11.

Each of the 124 child participants in 2018 received a free bike helmet and helmet fitting, a bike safety check, free bike license (if they were a Franklin resident), and a certificate of completion after finishing an obstacle course.

## Franklin 5K

As a member of Operation Fit Franklin (OFF), FHD was proud to support the 2nd annual Franklin 5K in May 2018. This year we increased our participation to over 175 participants.

The group looks forward to the 3rd running of the event in 2019 to further their goal of increasing physical activity programs in the community.

# Get Involved!!

Franklin Health Department is leading the way to make our community a healthier and safer place to live, work, and play. But we can't do it alone! We need the help of our residents and businesses to carry our messages further into the community.

Consider joining one of our coalitions below, add your name to our emergency volunteer registry, or call 414-425-9101 to see what other ways you can help make Healthiest Franklin a reality for 2019!!





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