

August 2024

Tuscarawas County Health Department

HEALTH COMMISSIONER'S REPORT



Department Highlights



Public Health
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Communicable Disease

- 14 COVID-19/Flu A/B Tests administered (-1)
 - 43% positivity for COVID-19
 - 8% positivity for Flu A/B
- Top reported diseases in August 2024:
 - COVID-19: 120 (+71)
 - Chlamydia: 14 (+5)
 - Chronic Hep C: 2 (+1)
 - Lyme: 22 suspected cases
 - Total Confirmed Reported Diseases: 139 (+60)

Prevention

- Distributed 272 Naloxone kits (+204)
 - 8 known reversals (+4)
- 13 car seats distributed (-8)
- Safe sleep education completed with 11 families (+2)
- 12 NEW families served at TCHD in August (-9)

WIC

- 78% show rate for August (0%)
- 481 total appointments completed (-42)

Environmental Health

- 23 complaints investigated (-3)
 - 8 Food Service
 - 5 Housing
 - 3 Solid Waste
 - 1 Pool
 - 5 Septic
 - 1 Private Water

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Medical Clinic

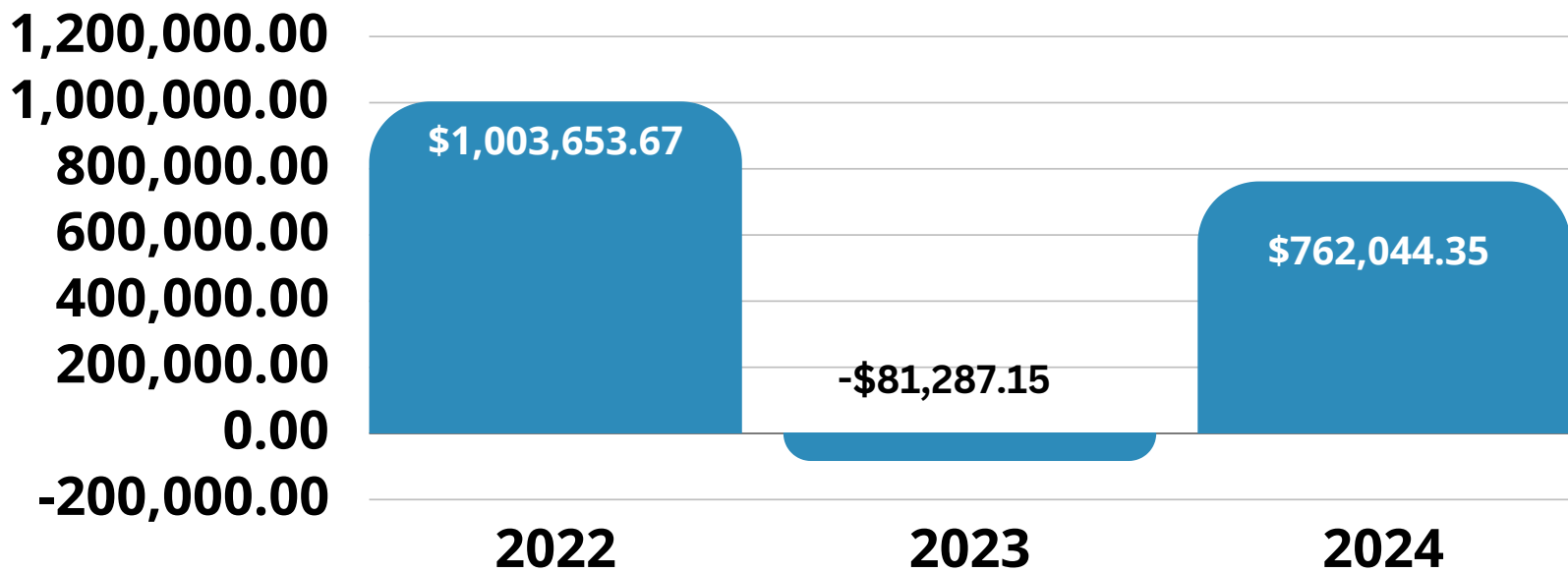
- Charges in August \$75,994 (12-month average \$74,705)
- Payments in August \$41,489 (12-month average \$41,086)
- Largest payer Commercial Insurance (27%)
- 15% no-show rate (-1%)
- 6 new patients in August (110 YTD)
- Current Outstanding Balance \$100,563.55; greater than 90 days \$27,172.92

Promotion and Community Relations

- Trending Topics: sports physicals; Lyme disease; Overdose Awareness Day; COVID-19 uptick in cases; updated COVID-19 vaccine; Flu vaccine; childhood vaccines; mosquito control/WNV.
- Paid Promotional Campaigns: Mosquito control, back-to-school vaccines, WIC, and Project DAWN.
- Three news releases were distributed—All related to West Nile Virus notifications
- Social Media Posts: 320 social media posts ran in August 2024 (178 on Facebook where our largest audience interacts, 96 on X/Twitter, and 46 on Instagram)
- FREE (earned) news media shows, articles, and interviews, & etc. (total of 19 opportunities): 2 WJER Conversation Corner shows featuring youth vaping prevention and the community health needs assessment; 3 WTUZ news interview featuring Mosquito grant, West Nile Virus (WNV), and Lyme disease ; 4 WJER news interviews featuring mosquito grant, WNV, Lyme disease, childhood vaccines/ sports physicals; 1 WBTC Spotlight show highlighting sports physicals, back-to-school vaccines, and Lyme disease; 2 Bargain Hunter articles including feature articles about childhood vaccines and Lyme disease; 1 Lyme disease article in The Budget; 2 T-R front page articles featuring WNV and Lyme disease; and 4 small T-R articles, one for Newcomerstown Pop-Up events and three for food inspection reports.

Department Financial Statistics

Combined Funds YTD Balance Comparisons



Combined Funds Expenses and Revenue for January 1 - August 31, 2024

