

BUREAU OF PREVENTION SERVICES

MONTHLY BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT

for the month of October 2023



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Prevent Falls at Home

- Floors:**
- Check the surface. Inspect carpets and rugs in walkways and on stairs for rips and loose threads. If using rugs, secure them to the floor.
 - Improve lighting. Have sufficient lighting to help you see where you are walking.
 - Rearrange items. Move furniture to create straight, clear walkways.
- Stairs:**
- Use railings. Handrails are essential for stair safety.
 - Carry on. When carrying items up and down stairs, keep one hand free to hold the railing.
 - Add contrast. Make the edges of your steps easier to see by adding a strip of bright tape or paint at the front of each step.
 - Ramp it up. Ramps or chair lifts can improve the safety of individuals who may have trouble using stairs.
- Bathroom:**
- Get a grip. Grab bars provide reliable support when accessing showers and toilets.
 - Take a seat. Invest in a removable shower chair. Also, consider using a raised toilet seat.

OCTOBER 2023

Reduce the Risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) by:

- Sharing a room with baby for at least the first 6 months. Giving babies their own sleep space (crib, bassinet, or pack n' play) separate from your bed.
- Staying smoke and vape free during pregnancy and once baby is born.
- Avoiding letting baby get too hot, and keeping their head and face uncovered during sleep.
- Using a sleep surface that is firm, flat, level, and covered only with a fitted sheet.

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For more info call 330-343-5555 x 1110 or email health.ed@tchdnow.org

Did you know that every week in Ohio 3 babies die in unsafe sleep environments?

CHILD INJURY PREVENTION

PROMOTING SAFETY

Meet Abigail, Public Health Educator

TCHD was recently awarded the Child Injury Prevention grant.

*Stay tuned to see what interactive safety programs we will be offering in the future!

For more information:
Visit tchdnow.org/prevention-services
Call 330-343-5555 x 1110

WALKING/RUNNING SAFETY TIPS

- Stay visible. Wear light colored clothing, reflective apparel, stay in well lit areas, and carry a light.
- Use sidewalks and crosswalks when possible.
- Take your phone with you in case of emergency.
- Walk/run against traffic- this helps you to see any potential dangers coming.
- Go with a friend or group.
- Avoid listening to loud music- loud music reduces your ability to hear things in your environment such as oncoming people, and animals.

CLAYMONT CITY SCHOOLS

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October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Physical Warning Signs

- Black eyes, busted lips, and bruises on arm
- Sprained wrists
- Red or purple marks on the neck

Behavioral/Emotional Warning Signs

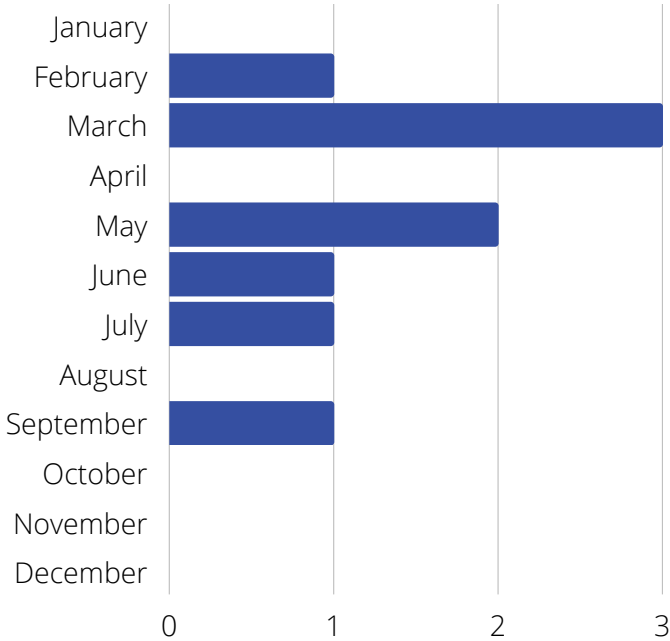
- Low self-esteem
- Fearful, anxious, or on edge
- Becoming withdrawn/isolating themselves
- Substance abuse

How can you help?

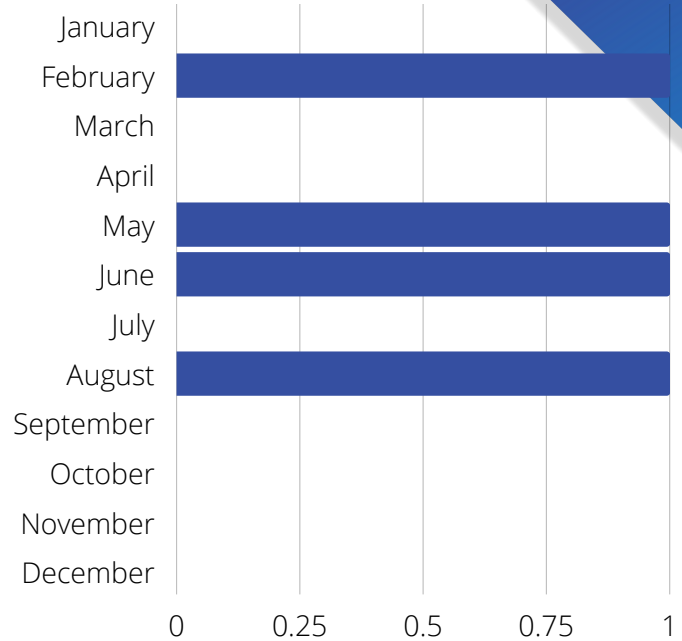
- Listen

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

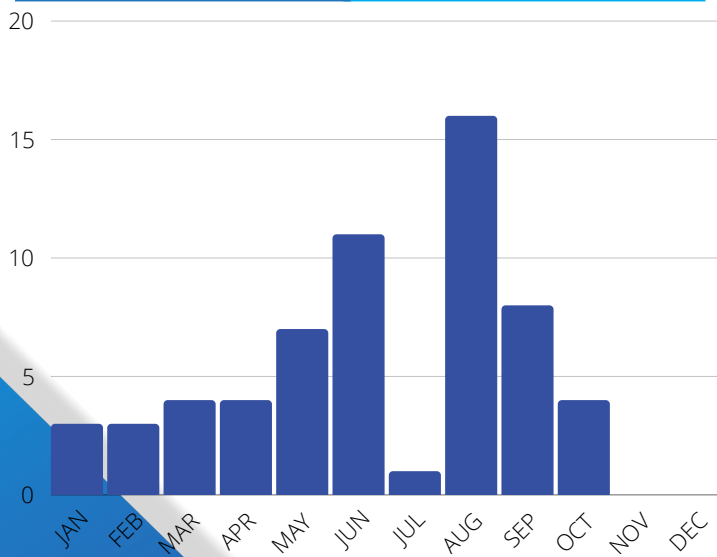
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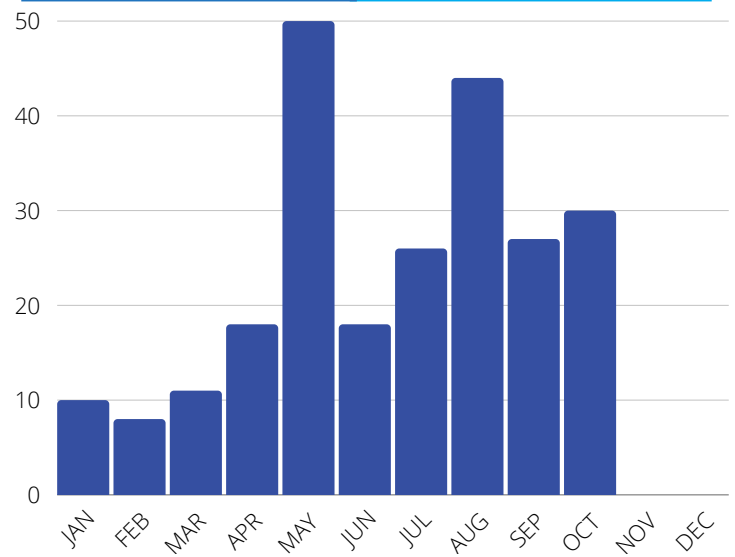
CARSEAT CLASSES



COMMUNITY EVENTS



FAMILIES SERVED



ACCREDITATION

- Emma has been heavily working on accreditation documents for reaccreditation. This allows Natasha to just quickly review the documents that Emma has completed.
- The Risk Communications Plan was Board approved on 10/18 and will be used for accreditation purposes.
- Emma continued to gather documents and work on measures for reaccreditation.
- Emma virtually attended a PH-LIFT HD Engagement Session on 10/11,.

CARSEATS

- Abigale and Abbie distributed 7 convertibles in October.
- Abigale and Abbie completed three car seat checks at TCHD in October.
- TCHD received two transfers from other counties- 17 convertibles and 5 high back boosters.
- Abbie attended the Ohio Buckles Buckeyes annual meeting at the Ohio Valley Mall on October 5th.

CRIBS FOR KIDS

- Abigale and Abbie provided safe sleep education and cribettes to three families throughout the month of October.
- On October 17 Abbie attended story time at the New Philadelphia Library to speak about SIDS Awareness Month and to promote Cribs for Kids program.

DIAPER BANK

- In October, 19 new families were served from the diapers from the Heart of Ohio Diaper Bank. 32 families returned from previous months to receive services.
- In October, 2,565 items from the diaper bank were provided. This includes diapers, pull-ups, wipes, and period packs.
- In conjunction with WIC, Abigale coordinated sending diaper bank supplies to the Dennison Clinic monthly to provide services to clients closer to their homes.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- Emma and Natasha attended multiple ODH webinars and trainings throughout the month of October.
- Emma virtually attended the monthly NECO meeting on 10/26.
- Natasha and Emma participated in ODHs Full Scale Exercise that took place from 10/17-10/19. This exercise included responding to an Anthrax incident, filling out a resource request form for medical countermeasure (MCM) for treatment, and receiving the MCM at our Regional Drop Site. This exercise tested our existing plans and provided insight on potential Area's of Improvement to work on.

EVENTS

- 10/10- COVID Booster Clinic
- 10/12- Mustang Mania
- 10/23- COVID Booster Clinic
- 10/24- Brightview Sober October
- 10/24- Flu Vaccine Clinic
- 10/25- BDD Trunk or Treat
- 10/30 CHS Parent Think Fast Interactive
- 10/31- COVID Booster Clinic

GENERAL HEALTH EDUCATION

- Natasha TCHD was not awarded the NACCHO Grant application for Infectious Disease Forecasting.
- TCHD was notified that they did not receive funding through ODH for the Adolescent Health Resiliency Grant.
- Natasha and Jennifer D. were interviewed by NACCHO relating to the workforce grant that was received last year.

INJURY PREVENTION - CHILD

- The new child injury prevention grant started on 10/1/2023.
- Abigale Rogers will be the child injury coordinator.
- Coalition meeting dates for 2024 have been set they will be held: 01/26/24, 04/26/24, 07/26/24 and 10/25/24.
- Abigale recruited 7 community partners to join the new Injury Prevention Committee that is required by both the Child Injury Prevention and Older Adult Falls Prevention grants.
- Abigale met with Claymont High School administration to discuss partnership to provide additional drivers education to teens obtaining their parking permits for school.
- Natasha submitted all of the required special conditions on GMIS by the due date of 10/31/23.

INJURY PREVENTION - ADULT FALLS

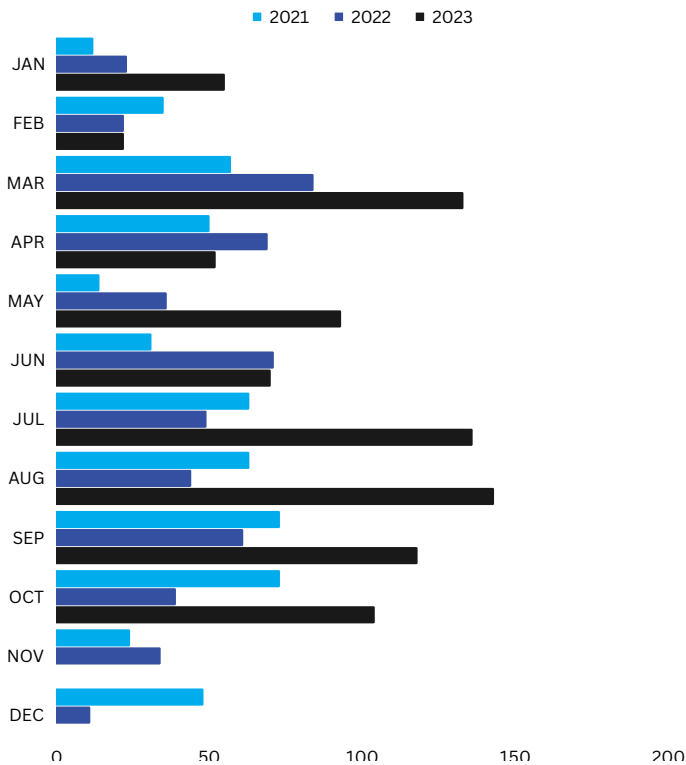
- The new Older Adult Falls prevention grant started on 10/1/2023.
- Katelyn Gorius will be the adult falls prevention coordinator effective 12/1/2023; Abbie Shankland is currently the interim coordinator to meet grant requirements.
- Coalition meeting dates for 2024 have been set of when they will be held:
- Emma & Lakyn facilitated Bingocize sessions at the Tuscarawas County Senior Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Natasha submitted all of the required special conditions on GMIS by the due date of 10/31/23.

PROJECT DAWN

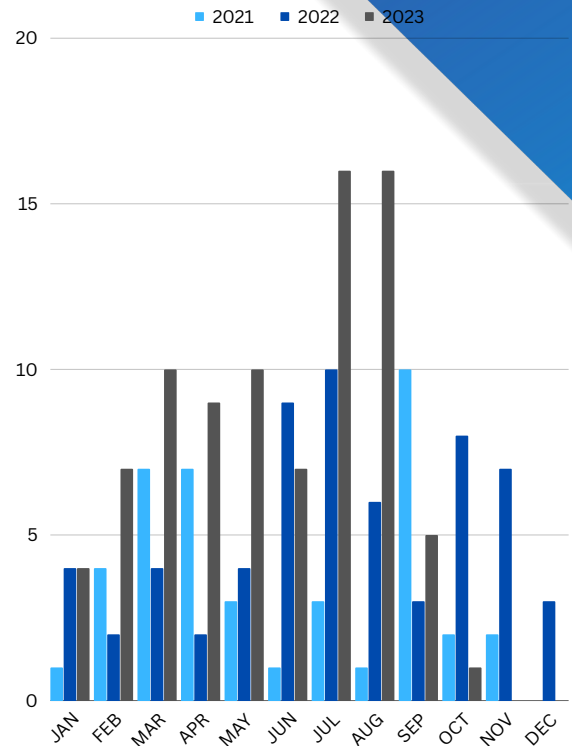
- During October 2023, TCHD distributed 104 Naloxone kits, trained 75 individuals, and had 1 known reversal.
- Lakyn facilitated a naloxone training for The Bluffs on October 11th.
- Lakyn facilitated a naloxone training for the Ross School of Nursing students on October 26th.
- Lakyn facilitated a naloxone training for Brightview staff on October 27th.
- There were 42 first responder naloxone kits distributed to the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office.

PROJECT DAWN CONTINUED

Kits Distributed



Known Reversals



SAFE BEGINNINGS

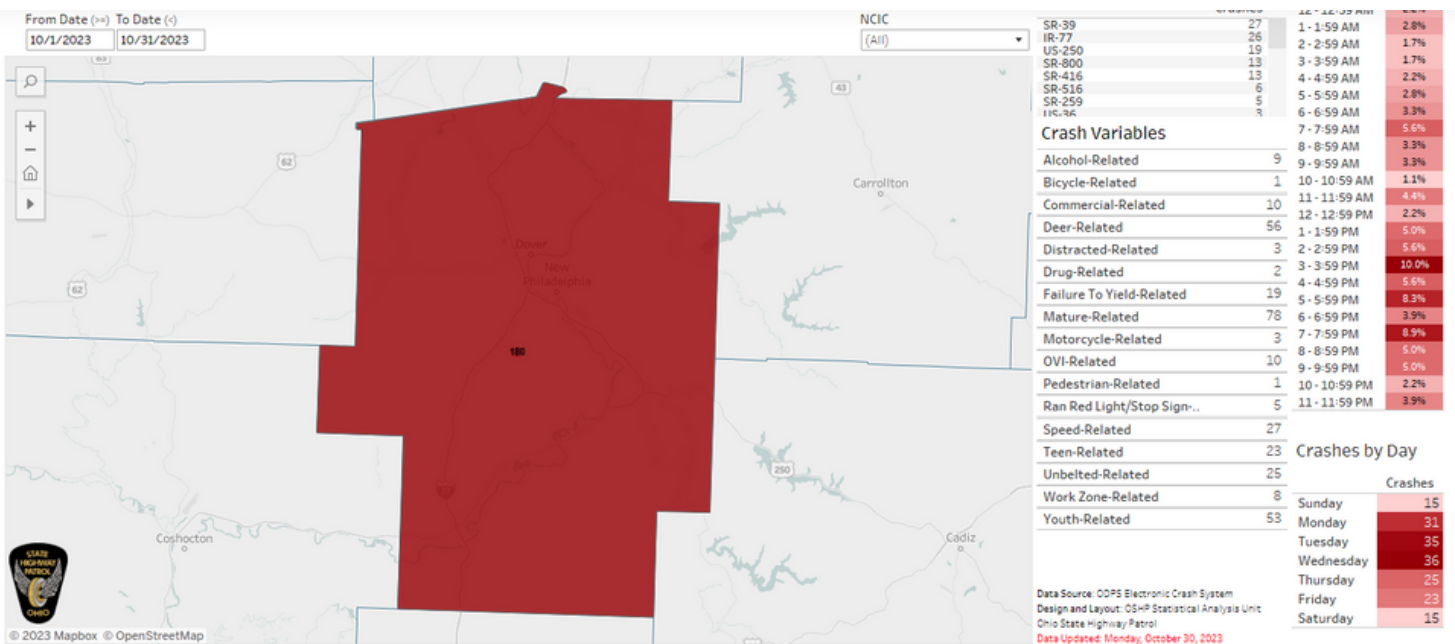
- Abigale and Abbie provided education and served 8 clients Safe Beginnings equipment in October totaling \$1,660.28 Items included: cribs, mattresses, baby video monitors, baby gates, child proofing kits, fire extinguishers, and more.

TOBACCO

- Katelyn attended required tobacco grant trainings on Tips for Connecting with Behavioral Health Facilities, Community Readiness, and How to Train a Spokesperson.
- Katelyn and Lakyn attended the Claymont Middle School Mustang Mania event on 10/12 and had 125 students sign an anti-vaping pledge banner.
- Table tents are being displayed at the New Towne Mall with the Advocacy Thru Art projects on them.
- Angela Simmerman's office (Trinity Hospital Twin City) was presented with a Senatorial Commendation from Senator Al Landis for their efforts to screen youth patients for nicotine product use.
- Katelyn attended Claymont High School's parent Think Fast Interactive event and provided parents with information on vaping and cessation resources.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

- In October, there were a total of 180 accidents.
- In October, the most crashes occur during the 3-3:59pm hour and the most crashes occur on Wednesdays.
- As of October 31st, there have been two (2) fatal crashes in Tuscarawas County in 2023.
- The image below illustrates all crashes in October 2023 in Tuscarawas County.



Crashes by Month and Year

	October	Total
2023	180	180
Grand Total	180	180

Crashes by Severity and Year

Severity	2023
Fatal	2
Serious Injury Suspected	3
Minor Injury Suspected	18
Injury Possible	13
Property Damage Only	144
Total	180