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2025 Annual Report

Promoting, Improving, and Protecting the Health and Well-Being of the Community We Serve
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A Word from the Galion City Health Commissioner, Andrea Cinadr

On behalf of the Galion City Board of Health and the staff at the Galion City Health Department, we present the GCHD 2025 Annual Report. Our Annual Report will reflect the important work that we have done to help prevent the spread of disease, promote health, and protect the community. In 1923, C.E.A. Winslow defined public health as the science of not only preventing contagious disease but also of prolonging life and promoting physical health through organized community efforts.

The Galion City Health Department is always striving to benefit the community by providing preventative services that include education, surveillance, testing, inspections, licensing, vaccinating, and emergency preparedness activities to allow and encourage residents to live healthy and stay healthy. 2025 marked the release of our Community Health Assessment and our Community Health Improvement Plan that we develop with the Crawford GCHD looks forward to 2026 as we take steps to update the next three years of our strategic plan, giving us a clear vision & mission that we will follow by creating measurable goals.

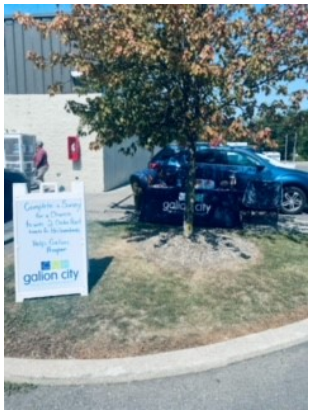
The Galion City Health Department has increased our community partnerships to collaborate and make a difference. I am endlessly grateful to our team, our partners, and the city of Galion who inspire our work every day.

2025 Community Health Assessment & Community Health Improvement Plan

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Galion City CHA Addendum.pdf

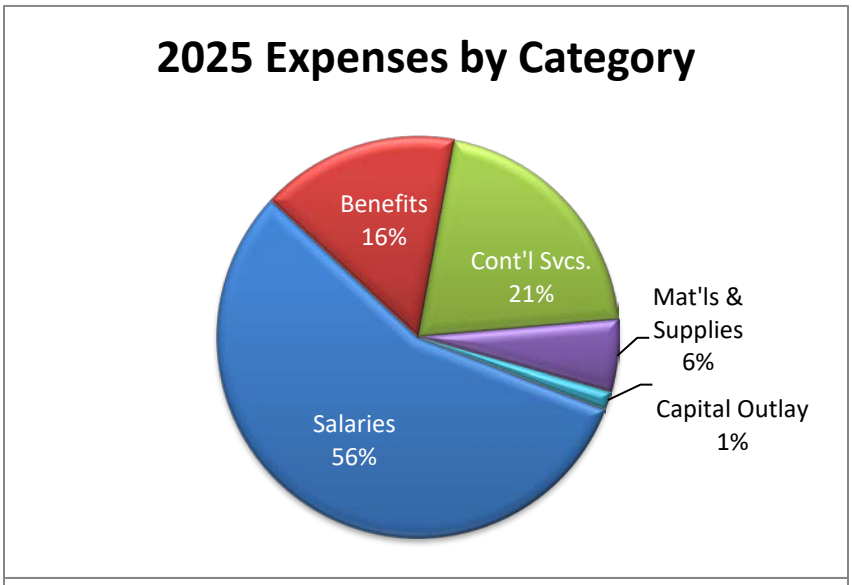
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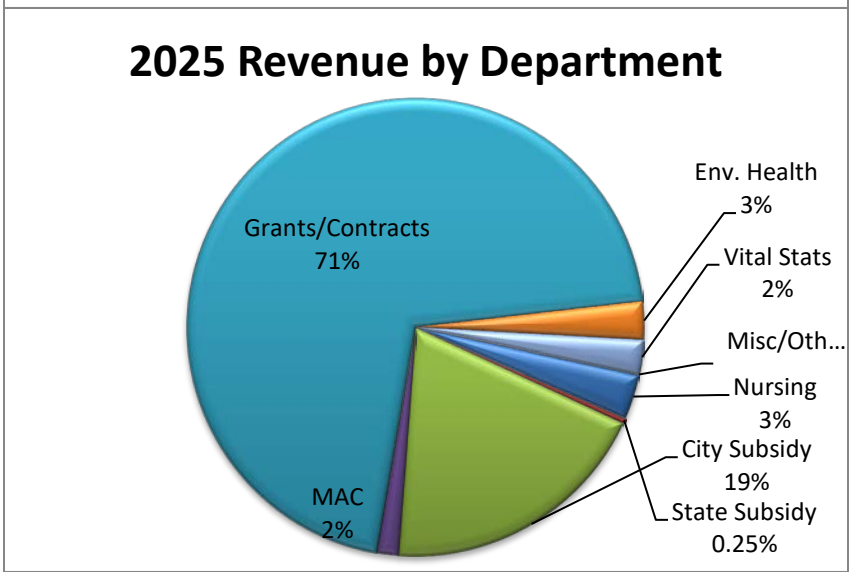


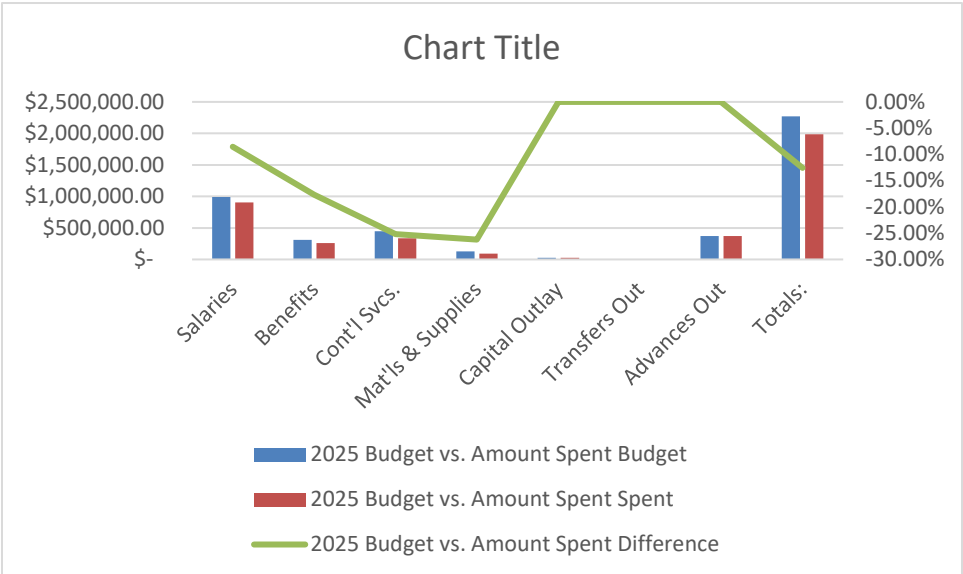


Staff worked tirelessly to obtain the community's feedback so that our CHA data was statistically significant to reflect Galion.

2025 Financial Report





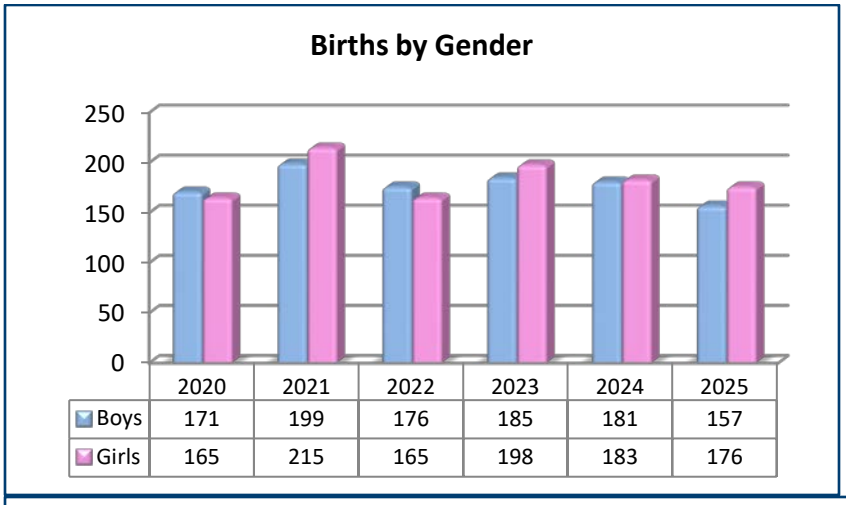


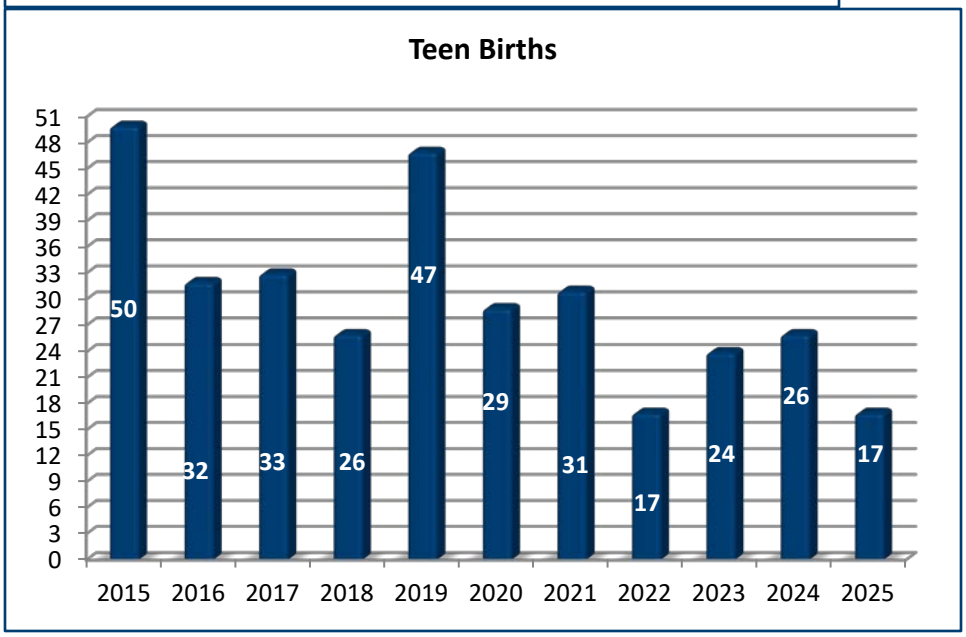
The Galion City Health Department does **not** operate on a levy and the **local general fund** supports 15-20% of our expenses. The GCHD relies heavily on federal grants funded through the Ohio Department of Health. Further details on our funding sources and expenditures are available at the Galion City Health Department, 113 Harding Way East, Galion, Ohio 44833.

Vital Statistics 2025 Program Summary

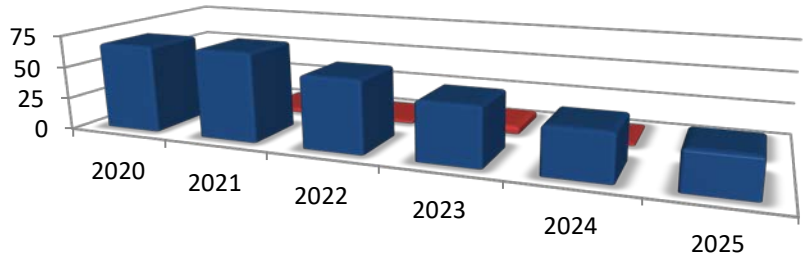
- 333 Births registered
- 662 Birth Certificates issued
- 194 Deaths Registered

15 Free Veteran Death Certificates
794 Death Certificates Issued
14 Burial Permits Issued



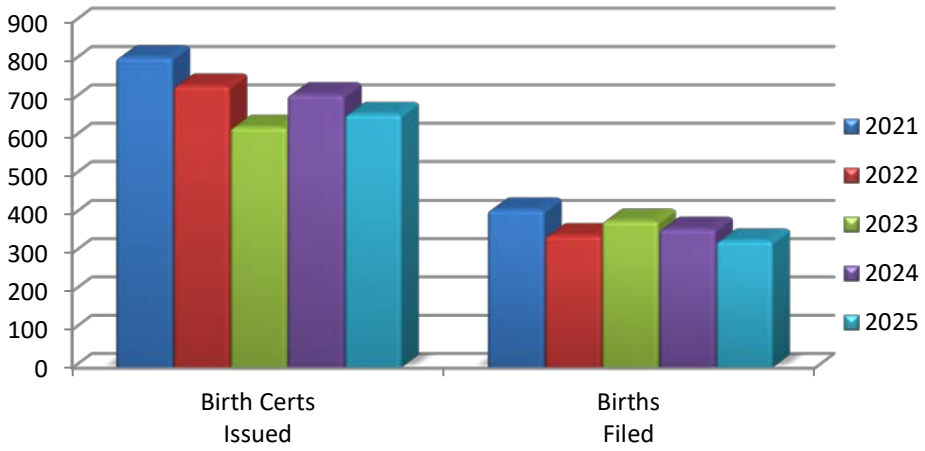


Mothers Drank Alcohol and/or Smoked at Some Point During Pregnancy

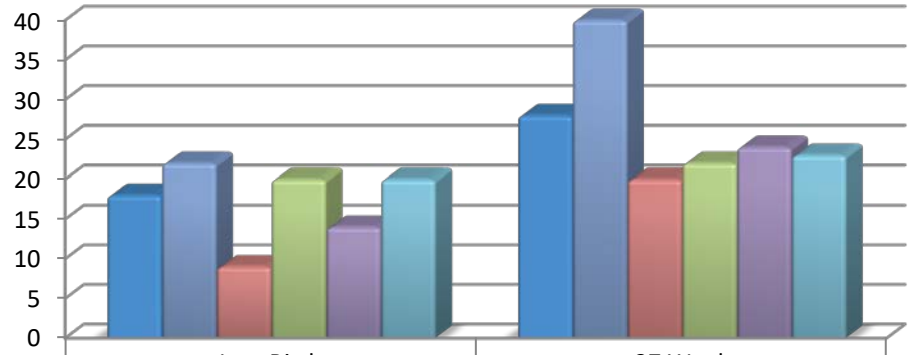


	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Smoked	68	69	56	45	36	30
Drank Alcohol	0	3	2	6	2	1

Birth Certificates Issued & Registered

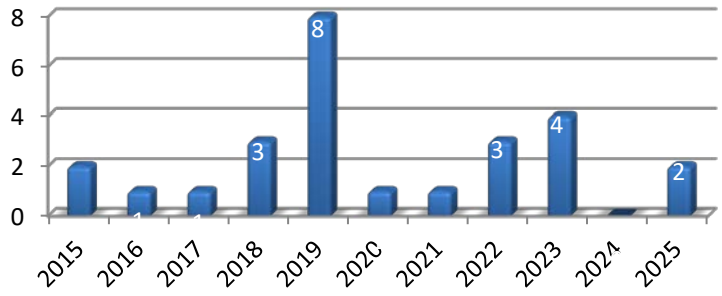


Low Birth Weight & Premature Babies

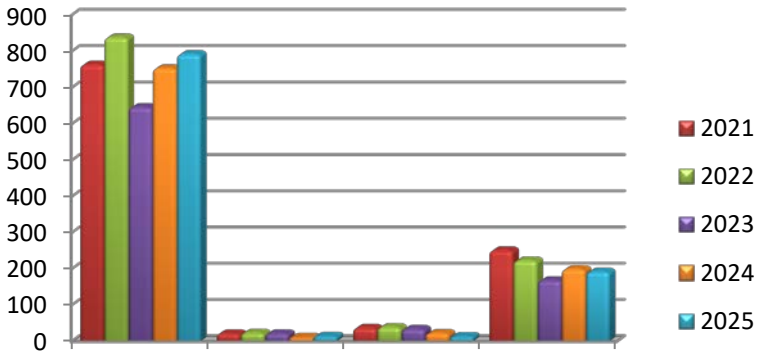


	Low Birth Weight	<37 Weeks Gestation
2020	18	28
2021	22	40
2022	9	20
2023	20	22
2024	14	24
2025	20	23

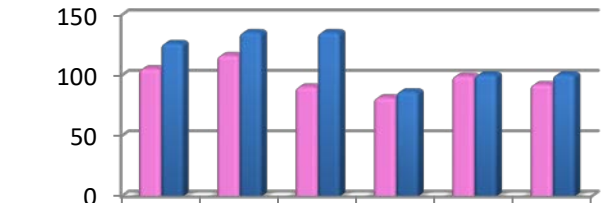
Fetal Deaths



Death Documents Issued & Registered

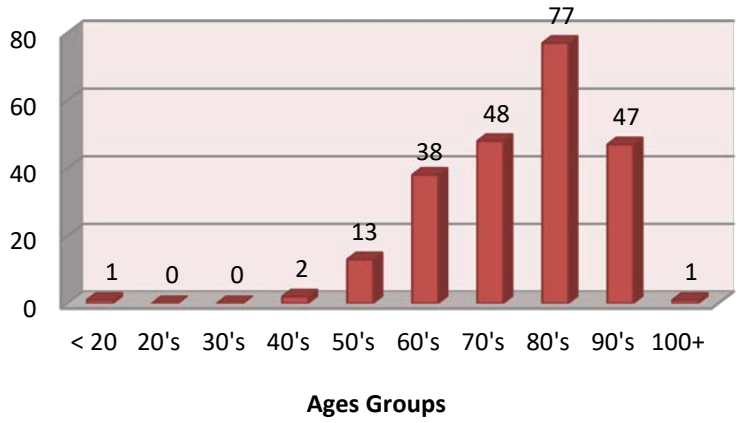


Deaths by Gender

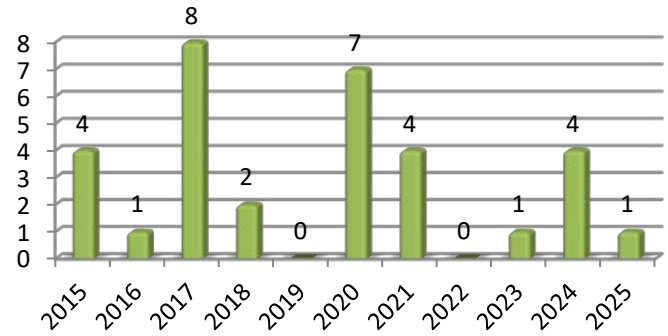


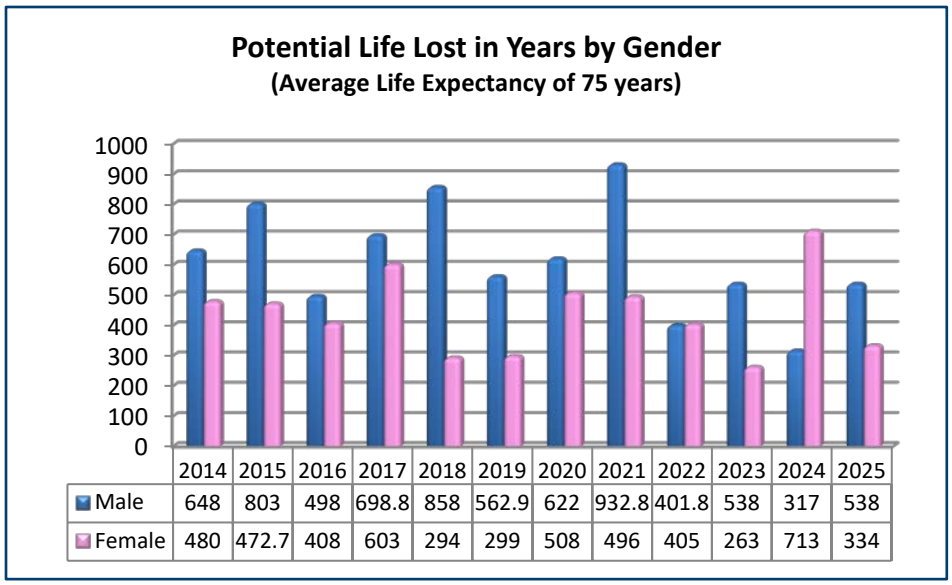
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Male	106	117	91	82	100	93
Female	127	136	136	87	101	101

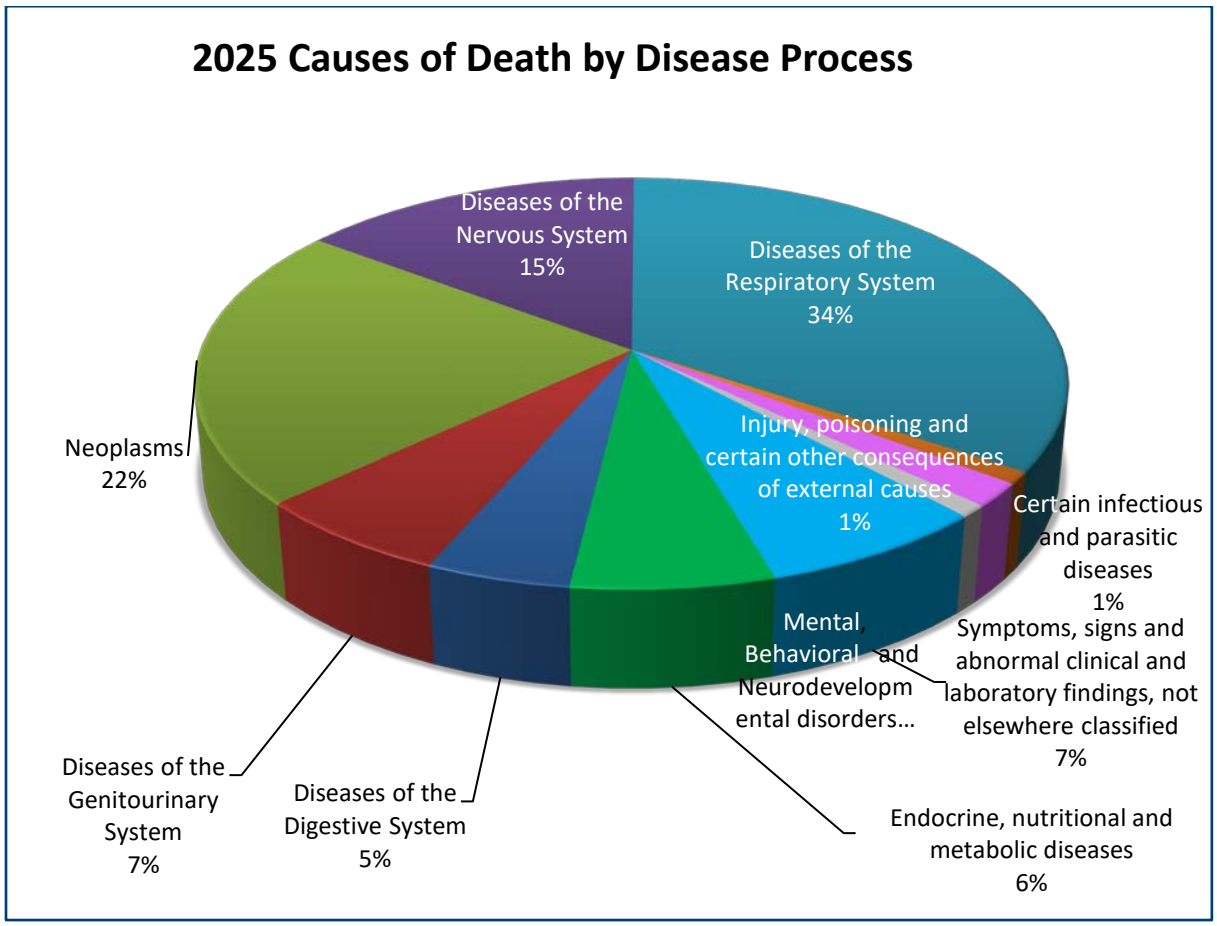
Deaths By Age Groups



Drug Related Deaths




Potential Life Lost in Years by Gender
(Average Life Expectancy of 75 years)
1000
900
800
700
600
500
400
300
200
100
0
2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025
Male 648 803 498 698.8 858 562.9 622 932.8 401.8 538 317 538
Female 480 472.7 408 603 294 299 508 496 405 263 713 334


2025 Causes of Death by Disease Process
Diseases of the Nervous System 15%
Diseases of the Respiratory System 34%
Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes 1%
Certain infectious and parasitic diseases 1%
Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified 7%
Mental, Behavioral and Neurodevelopmental disorders...
Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases 6%
Diseases of the Digestive System 5%
Diseases of the Genitourinary System 7%
Neoplasms 22%

Current Staff: 2026



this is PUBLIC HEALTH

Back row: Jenny Jordan, Terri Murphy, Matt Schwab, and Kori Gillam

Font row: Andrea Cinadr, Abby Volk, Sarah Miley and Brandi Riddlebaugh

The GCHD staff are here for you Monday-Friday from 8am-4pm. We welcome you to visit our lobby anytime or call to make an appointment to voice your questions or concerns. Our goal is to inspire and engage the community we serve to learn about healthy options.

Nursing Department 2025 Program Summary



Preventing the spread of infectious diseases:

- 568 immunizations administered
- 190 flu shots administered
- 54 TB tests administered
- 119 reports of infectious diseases investigated

Increasing access and linkage to health care:

- Several nursing visits made to Homebound residents
- 24 BCMH clients served
- Services provided at Crawford County Guard Care 2025
- Services offered at Four Summer Farmers' Markets in Galion

Community Health and Prevention

- 70 car seats distributed
- 1 lead screening completed
- 1 initial foster screenings completed
- 3 Galion Third Friday Events
- Come Home to Galion Parade
- 90 head lice checks completed
- 13.5 hours of school nursing services
- Participated in Community Health & Wellness Fair
- Safety Town with Buckle Bear & Glo Germ Hand washing station



Communicable Disease Monitoring

- Infectious diseases are tracked through a surveillance system at the state level called the Ohio Disease Reporting System. ODRS collects data on confirmed cases, hospitalizations, and deaths allowing local health departments to detect outbreaks and monitor disease spread. Methods include mandatory reporting of notifiable diseases by laboratories and doctors, contact tracing, genomic sequencing of pathogens, and analyzing data from electronic health records, social media, and internet searches.
- Our Director of Nursing, Brandi and our Disease Intervention Specialist, Abby, both monitor the ODRS for communicable disease tracking.

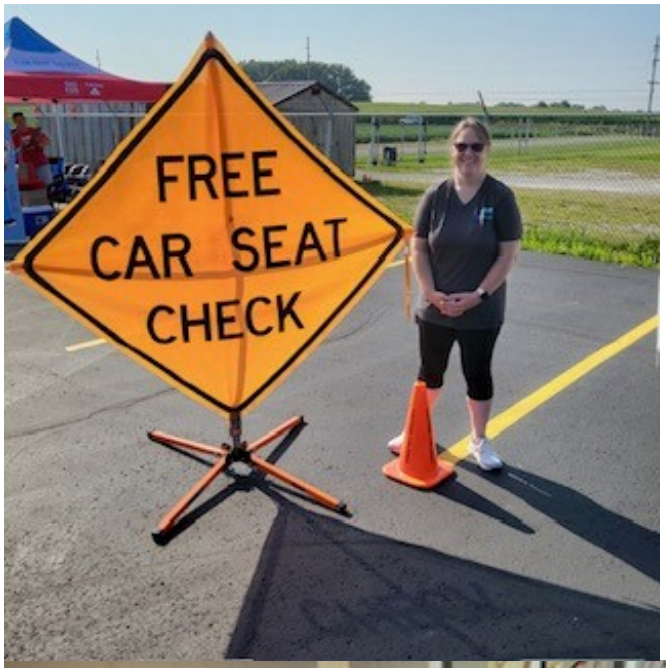
2025 Communicable Disease from Director of Nursing

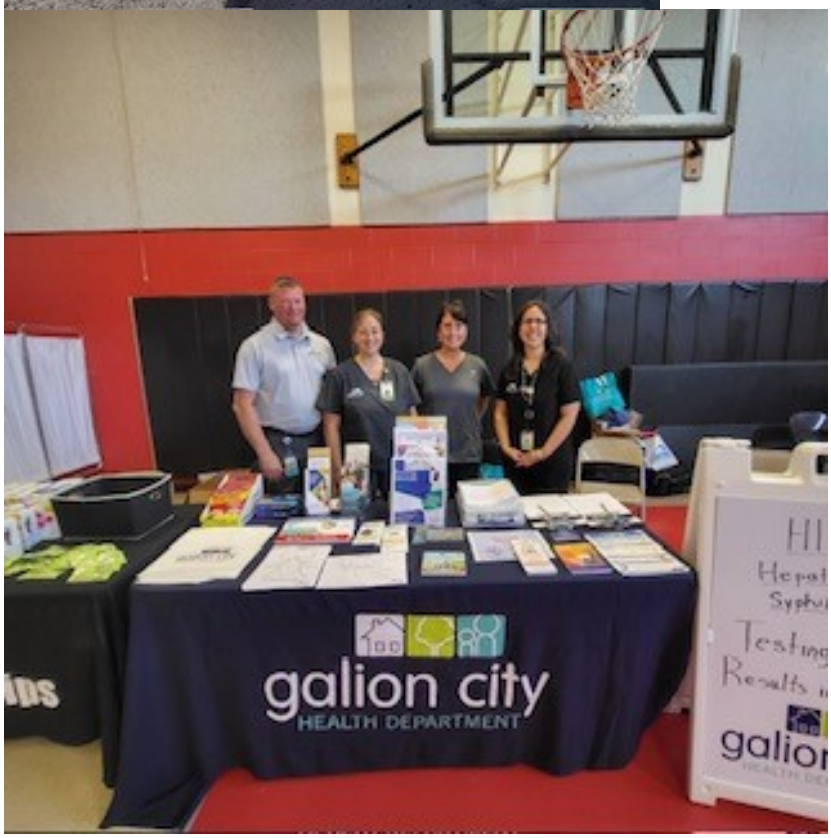
DISEASE	Number of 2025 Cases
COVID	135 *
Flu	22
Chronic Hep C	9
Campylobacter	6
Chlamydia	30
Gonorrhea	4
Hepatitis B	2
Salmonella	4
Lyme Disease	1
Vibriosis	1

*Note that as of October 2025 only hospitalized COVID, influenza and RSV cases are required to be reported to ODRS and local health departments.



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2025 CRAWFORD COUNTY GUARDCARE

Guard Care History:
It is a unique partnership between the Ohio National Guard, the Ohio Department of Health and local health departments to allow NO-COST health services while providing training for members of the National Guard over a weekend. The goal is to serve a number that is 1% or greater than the population of the host county.

462 people were served total and
351 Crawford County residents were seen during Guard Care weekend.

The Galion City Health Department provided leadership, STI services, Environmental Health safety information, and Car Seat Checks.

GCHD was proud to be one of the many sponsors to help those in need.

Environmental Health Department 2025 Program Summary

Protecting the Public's Health:

- 103 food licenses issued
- 110 inspections conducted on food facilities
- Re-established the Clean Plate Awards for Galion food operators
- 53 investigations of animal bites
- 3 Body Art Facilities Licensed & Inspected
- 3 Manufactured Home Park Inspections by contract
- 5 School Building Inspections
- Provided mosquito control products to residents although EPA grant was not awarded

Improving the well-being of the community:

- 80 investigation contacts of public health nuisances
- 43 complaints received
- 3 Smoke-Free Ohio Investigations
- 7 swimming pool/spa licenses issued
- 18 inspections conducted on swimming pool/spa facilities
- Established Community Garden boxes with Director of Nursing and gave the fruits and vegetables to the community for FREE

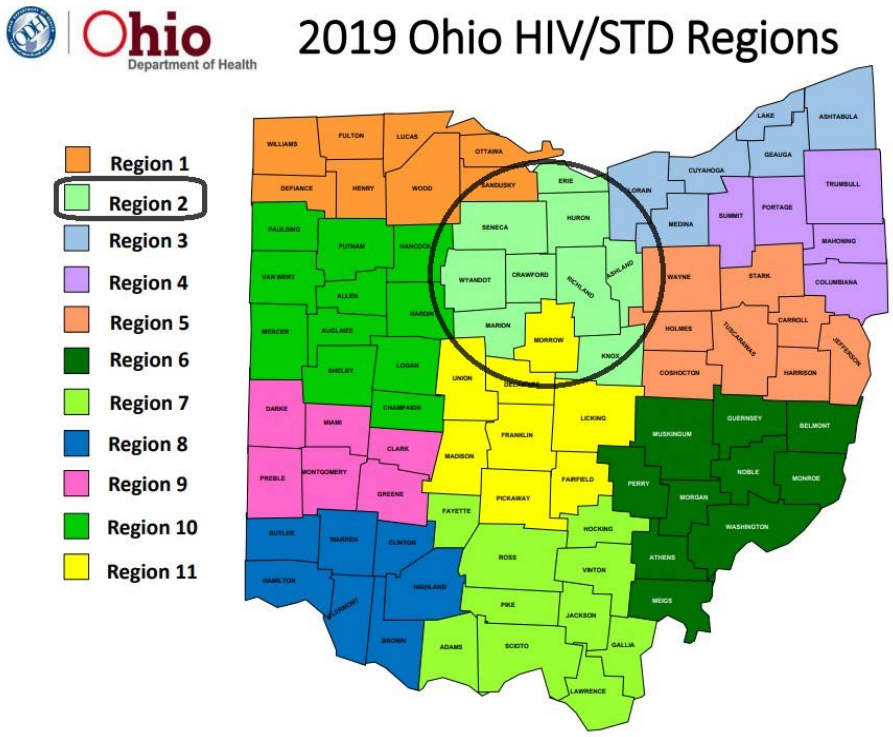




Sexual Health 2025 Program Summary

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.
–Benjamin Franklin

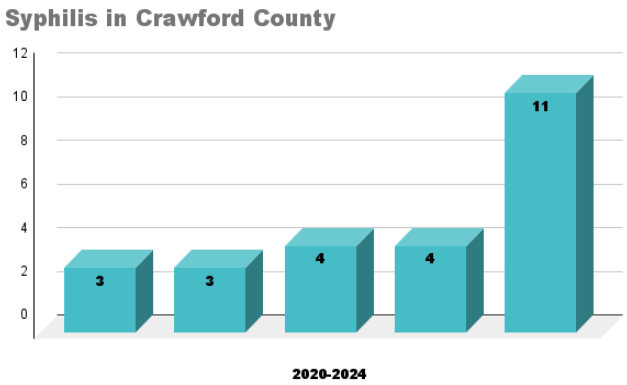
While this quote was originally intended for fire prevention, significance can be found for preventable medical conditions, including sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and HIV. Since 2018, the Galion City Health Department has maintained one of 11 Regional HIV and STI prevention programs for the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). Three full-time staff members are funded to complete the work outlined by ODH to prevent further transmission of infectious syphilis and HIV in Region 2, with the primary goal being elimination of congenital transmission (mother to baby). Program components include **surveillance, screening/testing, treatment, interviewing & case finding, prevention & education.**



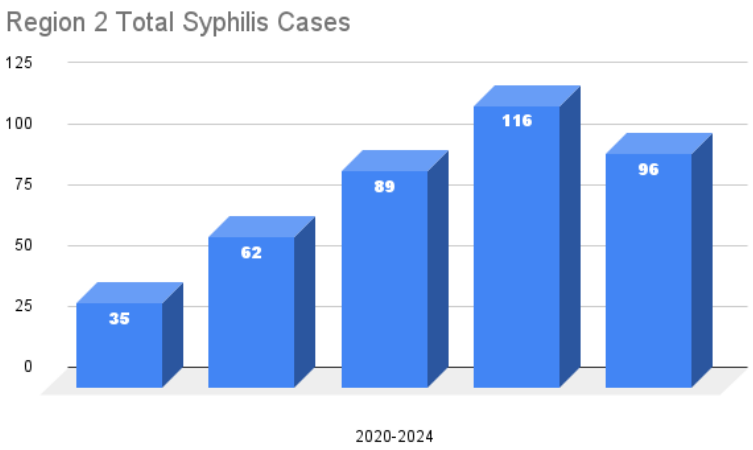
Crawford County and Region 2

(Ashland, Crawford, Erie, Huron, Knox, Marion, Richland, Seneca, and Wyandot Counties)

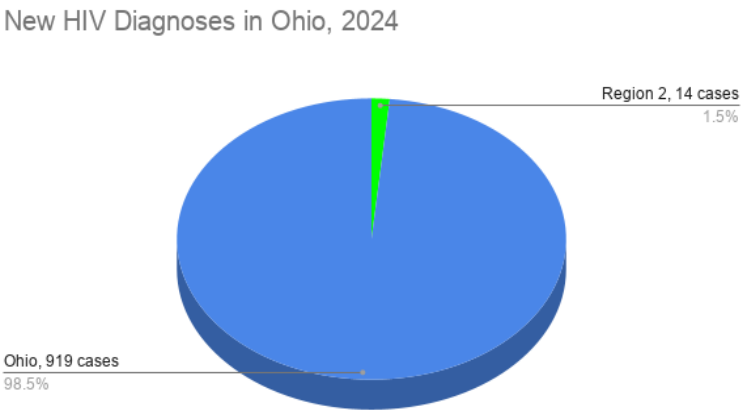
Syphilis is a sexually transmitted infection that is preventable and curable. Untreated syphilis in pregnancy can lead to stillbirth, death in a newborn, and other life-long health problems for an infected infant. Because of this, syphilis is considered a 'priority STI' along with **HIV**. Syphilis cases started to increase in the United States and Ohio beginning in 2018. Ohio Administrative Code requires **surveillance** and reporting on these communicable infections to ensure appropriate **treatment**, preventing further spread.







- In 2025, our Disease Intervention Specialist (DIS) worked **309 HIV and syphilis cases** throughout Region 2. A DIS works with individuals to notify their sexual or needle-sharing partners of potential exposure, ensures adequate treatment was received, and provides case management between clients and medical providers.
- In 2025, **705 STI (gonorrhea & chlamydia) tests and 571 HIV tests** were completed through the Galion City Health Department Sexual Health Clinic. A total of **857 client visits were completed.**
- **206 HIV tests** were provided through outreach events during 2025. These include testing in regional jails, college campuses, and substance use treatment facilities.
- Preliminary data collected by our department shows that there were **14 newly diagnosed cases of HIV in 2025** in Region 2. None of these individuals were living in Crawford County at the time of their diagnosis.



HIV prevention with PrEP (pre-exposure prophylaxis). GCHD started an in-clinic medication program in 2019 to provide services to people at risk for HIV through sexual and needle-sharing contact. This has since expanded to include a partnership with a virtual care organization, Q Care Plus.

- **Approximately 546 Ohioans are currently accessing PrEP through GCHD and Q Care Plus.** PrEP, when taken correctly, is 99% effective in preventing new HIV infections.

- A harm reduction vending machine was installed in partnership with **Third Street Family Health Services** in Richland County at Five Points Primary Care in September of 2025. Individuals have 24/7 access to basic wound care and safer sex kits, overdose reversal medications, cable gun locks, and other supplies that aim to combat the drug overdose epidemic. Similarly, all condoms and safer sex kits distributed in **Crawford County Public Health Department's** harm reduction vending machines are provided by prevention programming through GCHD–**<u>Community partnerships at work!</u>**



- Provider and community education: Billboards, radio ads, outreach, social media presence–spreading the word about STI and HIV testing and prevention.





Greater than HIV/Walgreens National HIV Testing Day, June 27, 2025

*All population-based disease surveillance systems experience reporting lags and incomplete reporting. The reporting lags for data range 6-18 months, hence 2024 statistics

Public Health Accreditation

The Galion City Health Department works extremely hard to maintain our national accreditation granted by the Public Health Accreditation Board in 2023. In Ohio, it is mandated for all Local Health Departments to be nationally accredited. The Galion City Health Department is maintaining national public health accreditation status with the accrediting board. In September of 2025, we submitted our (second) annual report to the PHAB staff to show our commitment to continuous quality improvement within our community GCHD will stand by our mission to Promote, Improve, and Protect the Health and Well-Being of the Community We Serve.



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