

# Allegan County Board of Commissioners



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Dean Kapenga, Vice Chairperson*

## BOARD PLANNING SESSION-AGENDA \*REVISION #1 - 5/24/22

Thursday, May 26, 2022, @ 9:00AM  
County Services Building, Board Room  
Virtual Meeting Options - Instructions [Attached](#)

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9:00AM CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

OPENING PRAYER: Commissioner Mark DeYoung

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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**DISTRICT 5**  
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1. Public Health Quarterly Report—Angelique Joynes, Health Officer
  - a. 2021 Annual Report
2. Legislative Advocacy Services
  - a. Prioritization of Strategic Focus Areas
    - i. \*Transportation Lobbyist Priority (Commissioner Dugan)
  - b. Legislative Advocacy Services Policy (TABLED 5/12/22)
3. \*National Community Survey Release
4. \*Broadband Legislation Recommendation (Commissioner Dugan)
5. \*Water and Sewer Projects (Commissioner Dugan)
6. Administrative Update

OTHER ITEMS:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS:

1. Administrative Update

**ADJOURNMENT: Next Meeting—Thursday, June 9, 2022, 9:00AM @ COUNTY SERVICES BUILDING, BOARD ROOM.**

**DISTRICT 7**  
Rick Cain  
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### Mission Statement

“The Allegan County Board of Commissioners shall plan, develop, and evaluate the necessary policies and resources to ensure our county continues to progress and prosper”



# Allegan County Board of Commissioners

# STEP 1: Connect to the Meeting

- OPTION 1: Zoom over Telephone

- Call (929) 205-6099 -or- (312) 626-6799 -or- (253) 215-8782
- Type in Meeting ID: 891 6032 7098, then #, then # again
- Type in Meeting Password: 52622, then #

- To raise your hand to speak, press \*9
- To Mute and Unmute, press \*6

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You do not have to continue reading the rest of the instructions.

- OPTION 2: Youtube

- Open Internet Explorer or Chrome
- Navigate to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQIiZQstN2Pa57QAItAWdKA>
- Click on image of “Live” video

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- OPTION 3: Zoom over Web browser

- Open Internet Explorer or Chrome
- Navigate to <https://zoom.us/j/89160327098>
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# STEP 2: Enter registration information

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Registration details:

- Topic: BOC Meeting - 4/9/2020
- Time: Apr 9, 2020 01:00 PM in Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Registration form fields (marked as required with an asterisk):

- First Name \*
- Last Name \*
- Email Address \*
- Confirm Email Address \*

Additional elements:

- reCAPTCHA: "I'm not a robot" checkbox and "reCAPTCHA Privacy - Terms" link.
- Button: "Join Webinar in Progress"
- Footer: Navigation links for About, Download, Sales, and Support.
- Language selector: "Lang" dropdown menu.
- Current currency: "US Dollars" dropdown menu.
- Verification: "VERIFY" button.

1. Enter name and email

2. Click this box

4. Click when done.

3. Answer challenge question

STEP 3: This Window will appear when connected.



# STEP 4: Adjust audio settings (if needed)

The image shows a Zoom meeting interface with the 'Settings' window open to the 'Audio' tab. A vertical black bar on the left side of the meeting window has a blue arrow labeled '1' pointing to it. A blue arrow labeled '2' points from the 'Audio' tab in the settings window to the meeting content area. The meeting content area displays the name 'Economic Development - Greg King, Director' and 'ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:'. Below this, it says 'CONSENT ITEMS:' followed by a list item: '1. Motion to approve of claims paid and to incorporate into proceedings of the Board (3/20/20 & 3/27/20)'. The 'Settings' window shows the 'Speaker' section with 'Test Speaker' selected and 'Remote Audio' in a dropdown menu. The 'Volume' slider is set to approximately 80%. The 'Microphone' section has 'Test Mic' selected. The 'Volume' slider is also set to approximately 80%, and the 'Automatically adjust volume' checkbox is checked. Other options include 'Use separate audio device to play ringtone simultaneously', 'Automatically join audio by computer when joining a meeting', 'Mute my microphone when joining a meeting', 'Press and hold SPACE key to temporarily unmute yourself', and 'Sync buttons on headset'. An 'Advanced' button is visible at the bottom right of the settings window. At the bottom of the meeting window, there are icons for 'Chat', 'Raise Hand', and 'Q&A'.

Settings

General

Video

**Audio**

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Speaker

Test Speaker Remote Audio

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Microphone

Test Mic

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Advanced

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Economic Development — Greg King, Director  
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Motion to approve of claims paid and to incorporate into proceedings of the Board (3/20/20 & 3/27/20)

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Audio Settings

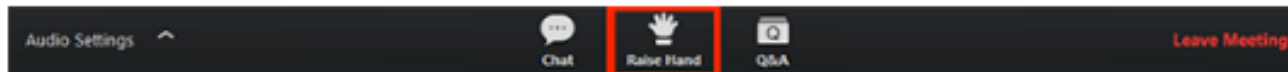
Chat Raise Hand Q&A

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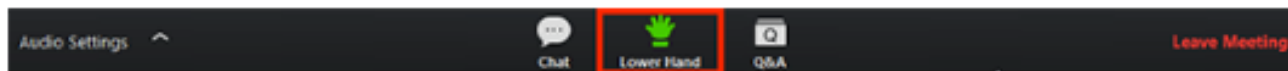
- Once “Raise Hand” is clicked, the Board Chairperson will receive notice and may UNMUTE your microphone when ready and verbally recognize you to speak.

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1. Click **Raise Hand** in the Webinar Controls.



2. The host will be notified that you've raised your hand.
3. Click **Lower Hand** to lower it if needed.



# STEP 6: To leave the meeting

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. At the top, a green banner reads "You are viewing Allegan County Administration's screen" with a "View Options" dropdown. In the top right corner, there is an "Enter Full Screen" button. The main content is a document viewer displaying a Microsoft Word document titled "BOC20200409\_agenda [Compatibility Mode] - Word". The document header includes the "Allegan County Board of Commissioners" logo and contact information for County Services Building, including address, phone, fax, and website. Below the header, the document title is "BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING – AGENDA". The agenda items are listed by district: DISTRICT 1 (Dean Kasperge), DISTRICT 2 (Jim Storey), DISTRICT 3 (Max R. Thiele), and DISTRICT 4 (Mark DeYoung). The agenda items include "Virtual Meeting – Connectivity Instructions Attached", "1PM CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL: OPENING PRAYER: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: COMMUNICATIONS: Attached APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Attached", "PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS: APPROVAL OF AGENDA: PRESENTATIONS: PROCLAMATIONS: INFORMATIONAL SESSION: Attached ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:", and "CONSENT ITEMS:". The document footer shows "PAGE 1 OF 2 251 WORDS" and a zoom level of "100%". At the bottom of the Zoom window, there is a control bar with "Audio Settings", "Chat", "Raise Hand", "Q&A", and a red "Leave Meeting" button. A large blue arrow points to the "Leave Meeting" button.





# HEALTH Department

# QUARTERLY UPDATE

- Angelique Joynes, Health Officer, MPH, RN
- Randy Rapp, Environmental Health Services Manager, RS
- Lisa Letts, Personal Health Services Manager, BSN, RN
- Lindsay Maunz, Planning and Preparedness Manager, MPH
- Rosemary Graham, Resource Recovery Coordinator

Quarter 2 Presentation  
May 26, 2022

# Today's Takeaways:

1. Discuss 2022 County Health Rankings and Michigan Association for Local Public Health (MALPH) sponsored Annual Meeting with elected representatives
2. Update on ACHD Division's Priority Activities and Emerging Concerns for 2022
3. Release of 2021 Annual Report
4. Answer questions and elicit feedback from the Board of Commissioners



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## ADMINISTRATION

- Supports the department as a whole
- Issues Advisories, Cease and Desist letters, etc.
- Collect and evaluate data needed to support efficient public health service delivery and share data with the community

## RESOURCE RECOVERY

- Coordinate Resource Recovery Program for participating LUG's
- Facilitate Solid Waste Planning Committee

## PERSONAL HEALTH

- Provides services such as STI/HIV, Immunizations, Lead, Hearing and Vision, Communicable Disease, and Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)
- Provides education, in-services, and on-site inspections for medical providers who participate in Vaccine for Children (VFC) and Adult Vaccine Program (AVP)
  - Safe storage and handling
  - Inventory management
  - Patient education

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- Provides services such as well and septic permits, soil erosion permits, restaurant inspections, ground water contamination surveillance, beach sampling, etc.
- Identifies opportunities for environmental health education and work with Planning and Preparedness to develop materials

## PLANNING AND PREPAREDNESS

- Provides services such as community health needs assessment and community health improvement plans, emergency preparedness, and other planning and health education services that improve community health and quality of life in Allegan County.
- Interacts with the community through social media and media interviews.



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# Allegan County Health Department: Organization Chart

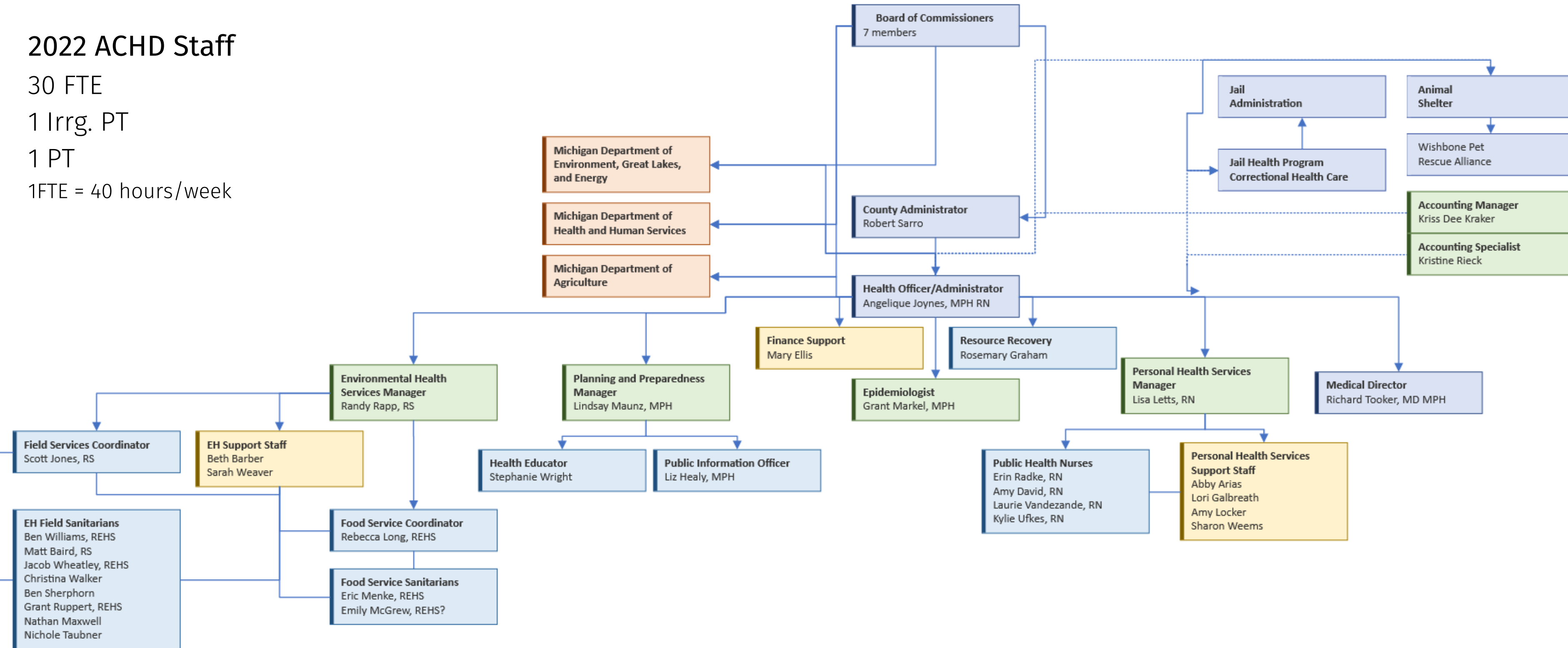
## 2022 ACHD Staff

30 FTE

1 Irrg. PT

1 PT

1FTE = 40 hours/week





# Finance: 2023 Budget Narrative



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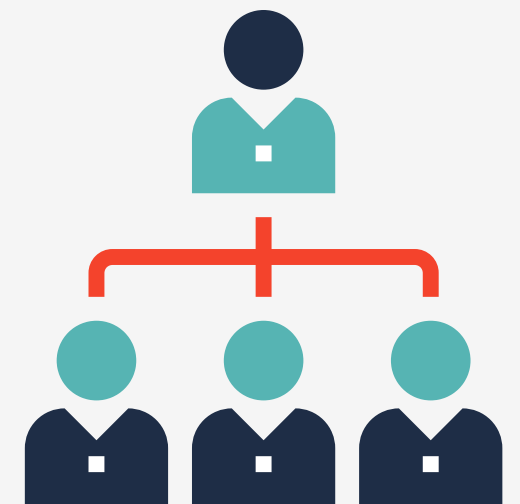
## Changes in the 2023 Budget:

- Seeking a Personal Health Coordinator position similar to what EH has for field and food
  - When evaluating resources needed for reportable communicable disease investigations, we currently have CDCF staff who fill this gap and will be a part of the Communicable Disease team, until July 2023
- Anticipate more communicable disease staff for 2024, unless COVID-19 becomes endemic and/or is no longer a reportable communicable disease
- More team members traveling and attending trainings as we move out of COVID-19 (expenditures for 2023 will more accurately align with what has been previously budgeted in those line items)



## Expenditure increases related to inflation:

- Gas (travel)
- Maintenance and subscription tools



## Revenue changes:

- Immunization fees
- Anticipate a potential drop in real estate (less building development)
  - Will influence the revenue collected from fees



# Finance: 2022 Activities



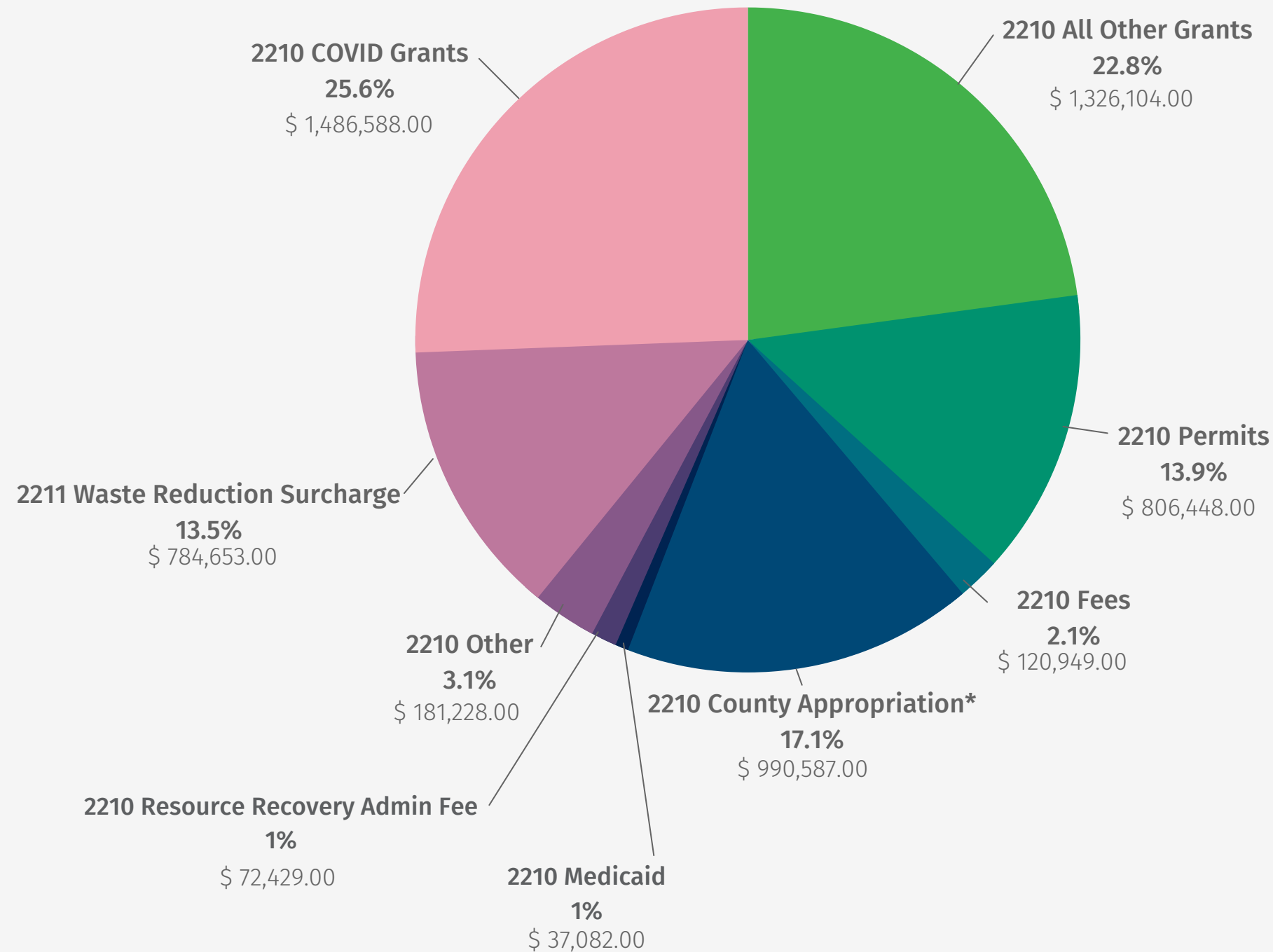
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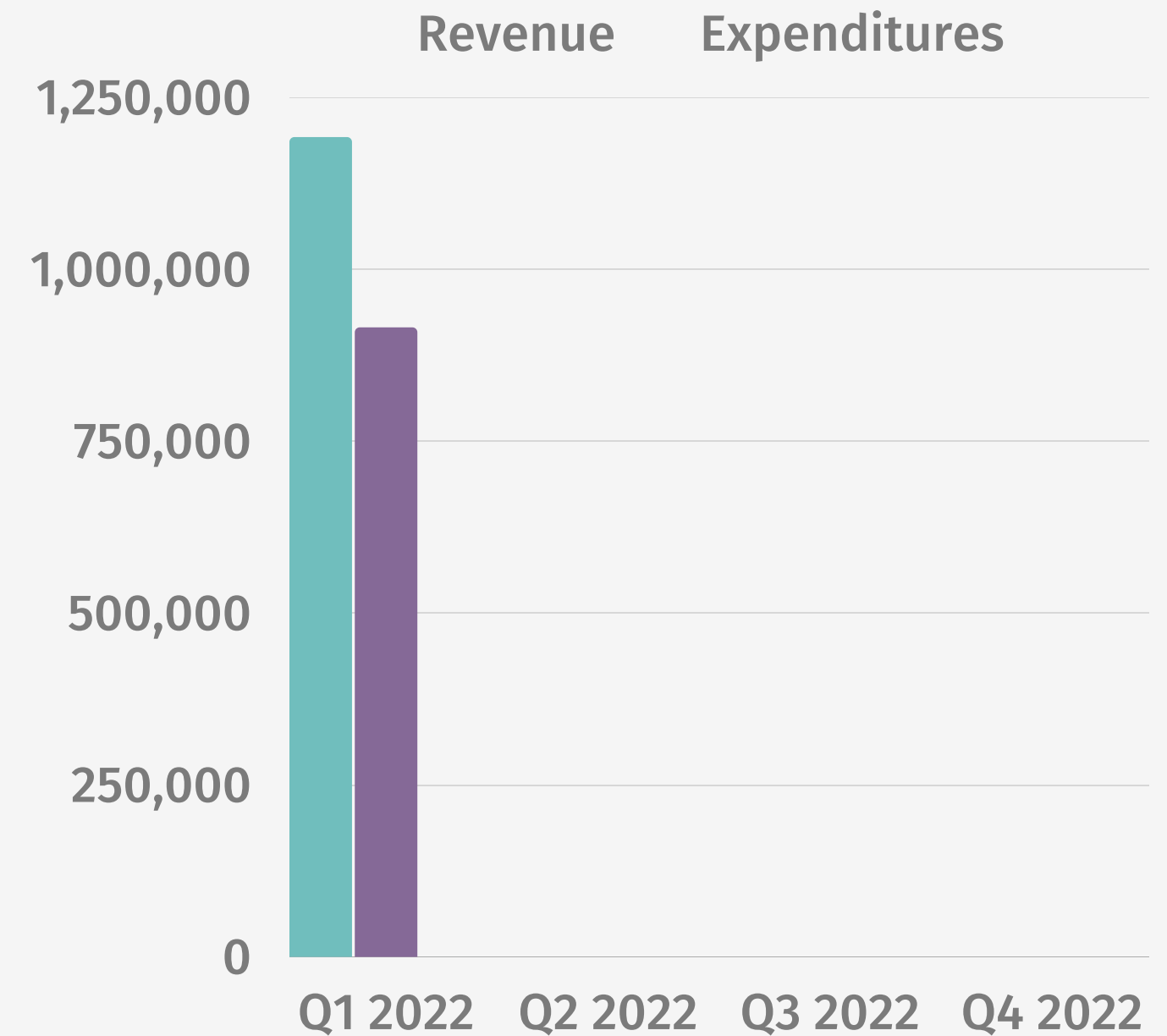
## 2022 BUDGETED REVENUE

TOTAL BUDGETED  
REVENUE 2210:  
\$5,021,415.00

TOTAL BUDGETED  
REVENUE 2211:  
\$784,653.00



## REVENUE & EXPENDITURES BY QUARTER





# 2021 Annual Report



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The year 2021 proved to be a challenging yet rewarding time for Public Health

- Focus on community partnership and cooperation carried into 2021 with COVID-19 mitigation
- Rolled out the largest deployment of a vaccine in our history
- Continued to respond to a pandemic, despite a divided community on what a proper response should be



## Challenges

- Spread of misinformation
- Rapid change of information, and guidance, which was difficult to keep up with
- At the beginning of the vaccine deployment, our demand was high, but the supply of vaccines was low

## Public Health Wins

- Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Allegan County Volunteers provided resources for the historic vaccine deployment events in the community. Together, we were able to fully vaccinate 54.2% of our population

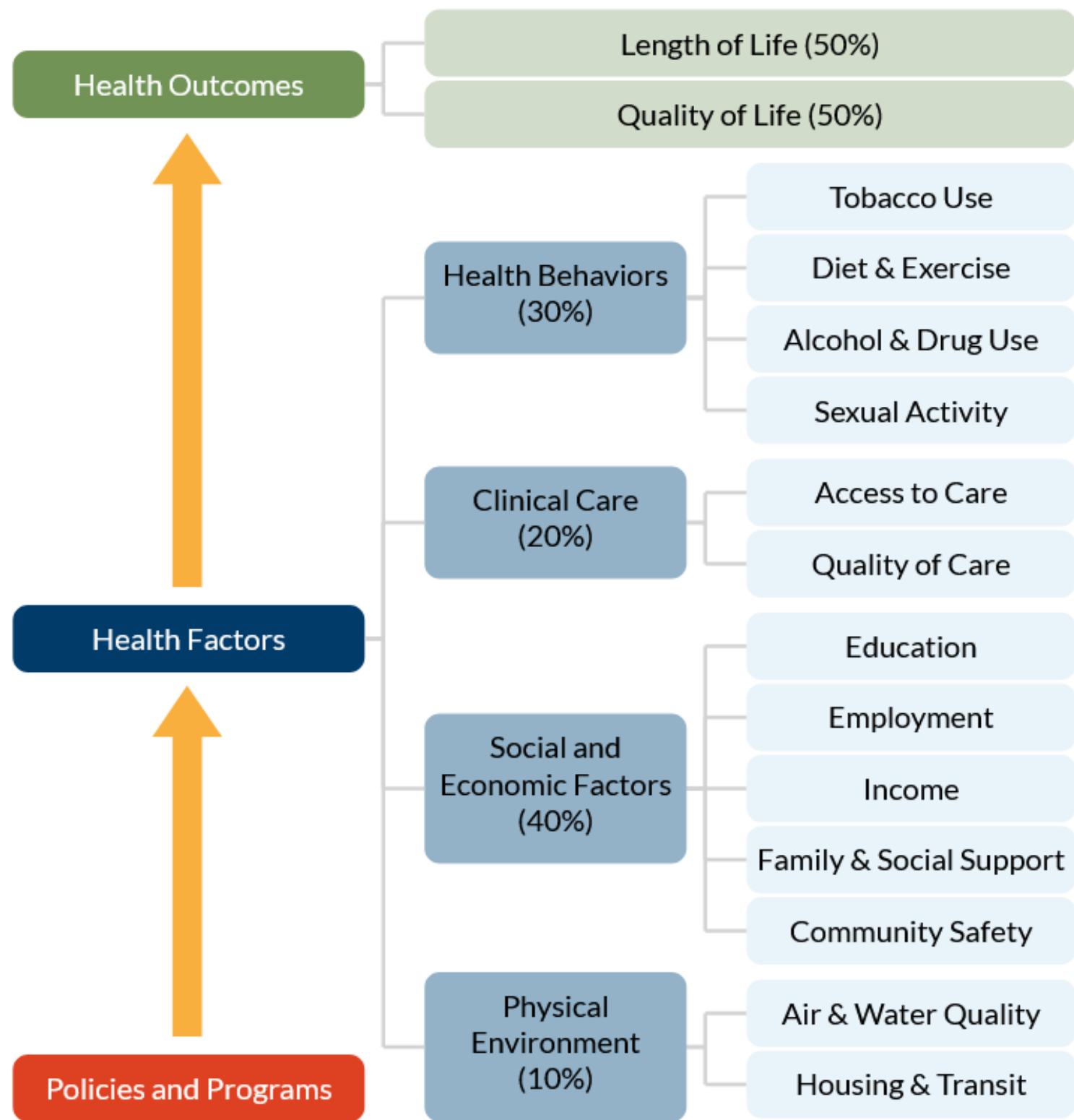
## Looking ahead

- Work together respectfully to build resilience within our community
- Maintain communication and collaboration with the partnerships formed during the pandemic

The 2021 Annual Report will be publicly released after this meeting on our website and sent out to our newsletter subscribers. Printed copies are available upon request.



# Allegan County Health Rankings: 2022 Data Released








- The County Health Rankings are based on a model of community health that emphasizes the many factors that influence how long and how well we live.
- The Rankings use more than 30 measures that help communities understand how healthy their residents are today (health outcomes) and what will impact their health in the future (health factors).
- Learn more about the model by visiting <https://bit.ly/3Na8jW1>







# Allegan County Health Rankings: 2022 Data Released



## PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR CLINICAL CARE: WHERE WE'RE AT

	 2019	 2022	 MI 2022	 2022
 PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS	3,850:1	4,540:1	1,250:1	1,010:1
DENTISTS	3,420:1	2,970:1	1,290:1	1,210:1
MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS	1,270:1	1,050:1	330:1	250:1
PREVENTABLE HOSPITAL STAYS	3,570	3,149	4,357	2,233
UNINSURED	6%	7%	7%	6%



### Uninsured

- **Data source:** 2021 data from the U.S. Census Bureau’s Small Area Health Insurance Estimates
- **What measure means:** Percentage of the population under age 65 without health insurance
- **Allegan County:** Increased from 6% in 2019, to 7% (1% increase) 
  - Equal when compared to the overall number in Michigan 



### Preventable Hospital Stays

- **Data source:** 2019 data from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Office of Minority Health’s Mapping Medicare Disparities Tool (MMD)
- **What measure means:** Rate of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 100,00 Medicare enrollees
- **Allegan County:** Decreased from 3,570 in 2019, to 3,149 in 2022 (decreased 421) 
  - Lower when compared to the overall state number of 4,357 (1,208 less) 

### Mental Health Providers

- **Data source:** 2021 data from the CMS, National Provider Identification (NPI)
- **What measure means:** This is the ratio of the population to mental health providers per 100,000
- **Allegan County:** Decreased from 1,270:1 in 2019, to 1,050:1 in 2022 
  - Higher than the overall number for Michigan which is 330:1 

### Primary Care Providers

- **Data source:** 2019 data from the Area Health Resource File/American Medical Association
- **What measure means:** This is a ratio of the population to primary care physicians per 100,000
- **Allegan County:** Increased from 3,850:1 in 2019 to 4,540:1 in 2022 
  - Higher than the overall number for Michigan which is 1,270:1 





# Allegan County Health Rankings: 2022 Data Released

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR HEALTH BEHAVIORS: WHERE WE'RE AT



	 2019	 2022	 MI 2022	 2022
 ADULT SMOKING	18%	19%	20%	15%
ADULT OBESITY	31%*	36%	36%	30%
PHYSICAL INACTIVITY	20%*	28%	25%	23%
ACCESS TO EXERCISE OPPORTUNITIES	73%	46%	77%	86%

\*: Data should not be compared to 2022

### Adult Smoking

- Data source: 2019 data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
- What measure means: Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted)
- Allegan County: Increased from 18% in 2019 to 19% in 2022 
  - Lower than the overall average for Michigan of 20% 



### Adult Obesity

- Data source: 2019 data from the BRFSS
- What measure means: Percentage of the adult population that reports a BMI greater than or equal to 30 kg/m2 (age-adjusted)
- Allegan County: Increased from 31% in 2019, to 36% this year 
  - Equal when compared to the overall number in Michigan 

### Physical Inactivity

- Data source: 2019 data from the BRFSS
- What measure means: Percentage of adults reporting no leisure-time activities (age-adjusted)
- Allegan County: Increased from 20% in 2019, to 28% in 2022 
  - 3% higher than the Michigan overall of 25% 

### Access to Exercise Opportunities

- Data source: 2010 and 2021 data used from ArcGIS which is a combined data file from Business Analyst, ESRI, YMCA, & US Census Tigerline Files
- What measure means: Percentage of population with adequate access to locations for physical activity
- Allegan County: Decreased from 73% in 2019, to 46% in 2022 
  - Below the state average of 77% 



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# Allegan County Health Rankings: 2022 Data Released

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR QUALITY OF LIFE: WHERE WE'RE AT



2019



2022



MI 2022



2022

POOR OR FAIR HEALTH

15%

18%

18%

15%

POOR MENTAL HEALTH DAYS

3.9

5.1

5.2

4.0

DIABETES PREVALENCE


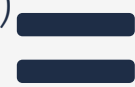
10%

9%



10%

8%



### Poor Or Fair Health

- Data source: 2019 data from the BRFSS
- What measure means: Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted)
- Allegan County: Increased from 15% in 2019 to 18% in 2022 
- Equal to the state average (18%) 

### Poor Mental Health Days

- Data source: 2019 data from the BRFSS
- What measure means: Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)
- Allegan County: Increased from 3.9 in 2019, to 5.1 in 2022 
- Lower than the state average of 5.2 

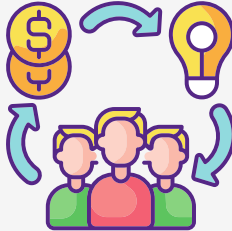



### Diabetes Prevalence

- Data source: 2017 data from United States Diabetes Surveillance System (BRFSS and US Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program)
- What measure means: Percentage of adults aged 20 and above diagnosed with diabetes
- Allegan County: Decreased from 10% in 2019, to 9% in 2022 
- Lower than the state's overall average of 10% 





# Allegan County Health Rankings: 2022 Data Released



## PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR SOCIAL & ECONOMIC FACTORS: WHERE WE'RE AT

	 2019	 2022	 MI 2022	 2022
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION	87%	91%	91%	94%
SOME COLLEGE	57%	59%	69%	74%
UNEMPLOYMENT	3.9%	7.3%	9.9%	4%
CHILDREN IN POVERTY	13%	8%	17%	9%



### High School Graduation/Completion

- **Data source:** 2016-2020 (5-year average) data from the American Community Survey
- **What measure means:** Percentage of population ages 25 and older that completed high school
- **Allegan County:** Increased from 87% in 2019, to 91% in 2022 
  - Equal to the state average (91%) 

### Some College

- **Data source:** 2016-2020 (5-year average) data from the American Community Survey
- **What measure means:** Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education
- **Allegan County:** Increased from 57% in 2019, to 59% in 2022 
  - Below the state average of 69% 

### Unemployment

- **Data source:** 2020 data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics
- **What measure means:** Percentage of population 16 and older unemployed but seeking work
- **Allegan County:** We increased from 3.9% in 2019, to 7.3% in 2022 
  - Below the state average of 9.9% 

### Children in Poverty

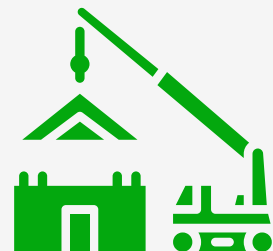
- **Data source:** 2020 data from the Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates
- **What measure means:** Percentage of population under age 18 in poverty
- **Allegan County:** Decreased from 13% in 2019, to 8% in 2022 
  - Below the state average of 17% 



# Allegan County Health Rankings: 2022 Data Released

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT:

### WHERE WE'RE AT



2019



2022



MI 2022



2022

AIR POLLUTION

11.0

7.6

7.4

5.9

DRINKING WATER VIOLATIONS

YES

YES

-

-

SEVERE HOUSING PROBLEMS

12%

11%

14%

9%

SEVERE HOUSING COST BURDEN

9%

7%

12%

7%

BROADBAND ACCESS

N/A

85%


84%

88%



### Air Pollution

- Data source: 2018 Environmental Public Health Tracking Network
- What measure means: Average daily density of fine particulate matter in micrograms per cubic meter (PM2.5)
- Allegan County: Decreased from 11.0 in 2012 to 7.6 in 2022 
  - Higher than Michigan overall 



### Drinking-Water Violations

- Data source: 2020 data from Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS)
- What measure means: "Yes" or "No" indicating if there was the presence of a violation
- Allegan County: "Yes for both years" 


### Severe Housing Problems

- Data source: 2014-2018 data from Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS)
- What measure means: Percentage of households with at least 1 of 4 housing problems (overcrowding, high housing costs, lack of kitchen facilities, lack of plumbing facilities)
- Allegan County: Decreased from 12% in 2019, to 11% in 2022. 
  - Below the state average of 14% 

### Severe Housing Cost Burden

- Data source: 2016-2020 data (5-year estimate) from American Community Survey
- What measure means: Percentage of households that spend 50% or more of their household income on housing
- Allegan County: Decreased from 9% in 2019, to 7% in 2022 
  - Below the state average of 12% 

### Broadband Access

- Data source: 2016-2020 data (5-year estimate) from American Community Survey
- What measure means: Percentage of households with broadband internet
- Allegan County: Data for 2019 is unavailable
  - Slightly above the state average (84%) 



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# Michigan Association for Local Public Health (MALPH) sponsored Annual Meeting with elected representatives (April 13, 2022)

- The Personal Health Services Manager, on behalf of the Health Officer (due to medical leave), met with the three Allegan County elected representatives in Lansing.
  - The Quarter 1 Public Health Update (from the February 24 BOC meeting) was shared
  - Provided high-level information on access to care, communicable diseases/emerging illnesses, environmental health emerging issues, and public health planning and preparedness
  - Encouraged them to provide us with direct feedback on concerns or feedback they may have as our local legislators



## ADMINISTRATION

**39,214**

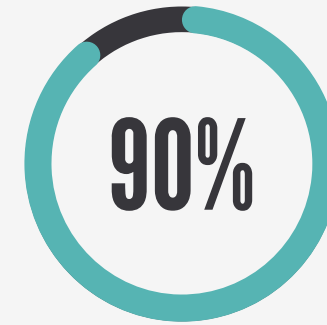
Total Public Health Services Provided (excluding jail health, MCDC, and animal shelter)



Advisories & Recommendations issued (quarantine, isolation, water advisory, exposure letters)



Inquiries responded to



of those who filled out the Customer Satisfaction survey for ACHD services responded "Agree or Strongly Agree" to being satisfied with the services they received (n=38)



**28**

Learning and Growth meetings with team members completed

**164.5**

Hours spent on Professional Development by team members

**30**

Full time team members

**1**

Irregular part time employee

**1**

Part time team member

**1,410**

Hours pf PTO taken by team members

**10**

Contracted team members

- Hours spent on Jail Health per service area: **0**
- Hours spent on Animal Shelter per service area: **14.5**
- Hours spent on CHNA and CHIP, HACC: **40**
- Hours spent on Learning and Growth: **41.5**
- Travel time (hours): **271.5**
- Team meetings (hours): **175.25**
- Emergency Preparedness Activities (hours): **33**
- Hours spent in Strategic planning (WIO) activities: **155.25**
- Quality Assurance Activities (hours): **29**
- Continuous Improvement Activities (hours): **40**
- Hours spent on Policies and Procedures (SOW): **9**
- Percentage of field services meeting 14 business day turnaround goal: **99%**
- Percentage of field services meeting 5 day communication benchmark: **99%**



# Administration: 2022 Activities (Quarter 1)

## CUSTOMERS

### Community Health Needs Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHNA/CHIP)

- MET: Community Health Survey sent out January 25, 2022
  - Closes March 1, 2022
  - Ascension Borgess Allegan and United Way collaboration
- MET: Data compiled and shared with stakeholders by March 4, 2022
- ONGOING: CHNA Report to be shared with Ascension Borgess Allegan's Board, United Way's, and Board of Commissioners by June 30, 2022
- ONGOING: CHIP timeline developed by June 30, 2022

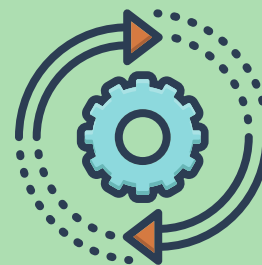
TAKE SURVEY



## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Transition to Mandated Services

- MET: Using other resources, such as CDC Foundation staffing to supplement COVID-19 response



### Optimize Grant Funding to Minimize County funding

- ONGOING: Reviewing Financial Statement Reports (FSRs) on a regular basis
- ONGOING: Reallocation of essential local public health services funding as needed to maximize utilization of all grant funding

## ENGAGED WORKFORCE

### Workforce Development Plan

- MET: Updated 2022 Workforce Development Plan
- MET: Ensuring staff are getting updated on training and requirements to provide their public health services

### Supporting Employees with Pandemic and Compassion Fatigue -- Continuous work, Met

- ONGOING: Assessing individual concerns in L&G sessions
- ONGOING: Continue to promote and bring opportunities that promote employee wellness



## IMPROVED PROCESSES

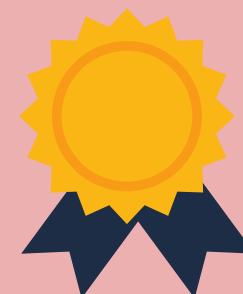
### CI Project: Contracts/Agreements

- Public Health has over 150 agreements (MOUs, Contracts, etc.) to manage with Project Management. Working collaboratively on identifying efficiencies for each type of agreement.
  - MET: Activities include:
    - Compile list of all types of agreements
    - Review current process of each agreement
    - Meet with Project Management on process and template alignment



### Accreditation Readiness

- ONGOING: Assessing accreditation readiness for local public health accreditation and determining gaps





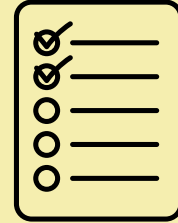


# Administration: 2022 Activities

## CUSTOMERS

### Community Health Needs Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHNA/CHIP)

- Q2 Activities include:
  - Community Health Survey Report: <https://bit.ly/38yaUdT>
  - CHNA Report to be shared with Ascension Borgess Allegan's Board, United Way's, and Board of Commissioners by June 30, 2022
  - CHIP timeline developed by June 30, 2022



## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Explore Grant Funding Opportunities Aligning with County-wide Efforts

- Michigan Rural Health Grant for 2 Community Health Workers
- Extension of funding for HRA and CDC Foundation

### Optimize Grant Funding to Minimize County funding

- Continue reviewing Financial Statement Reports (FSRs) regularly
- Reallocation of essential local public health services funding as needed to maximize utilization of all grant funding

### Additional State Funding: HB5523

- Workforce Development Grant: ACHD received approximately \$115,000. The award letter was received on April 22, 2022. Funds must be spent by September 30, 2022. Funds must be specific to COVID-19 workforce activities. We are working with finance to use these funds in place of any general funds related to COVID-19 activities

## ENGAGED WORKFORCE

### Workforce Development Plan

- Continue ensuring staff get updated on training and requirements to provide public health services (Training Plans & Learning and Growth's)

### Training Opportunities Identified

- Microsoft Excel
- Funding for Compassion Fatigue training
- Implicit bias training is required for sanitarians, nurses, etc. Rule 338.7001(c) for 1 hour/recertification year



## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### CI Project: Contracts/Agreements

- Over 150 agreements (MOUs, Contracts, etc.) to manage with Project Management. Working collaboratively on identifying efficiencies for each type of agreement process
  - Q2 Activity include:
    - Meeting with Project Management to establish process that meets the goal of this CI project

### ACHD Strategic Plan Overview

- Technical Assistance provided by MPHI to develop handout for various plans Public Health has in place and how it relates to the County Organization Strategic Goals
- Sharing in Quarter 3 Public Health Update

# Community Health Survey: Executive Summary

Community Health Needs Assessment done every 3 years (Sections 330(k)(2) and 330(k)(3)(J) of the Public Health Service Act and MCL 333.2211)

Identified as a step from 2019 CHIP to gain community perspective



HEALTH Department



**GOAL: To gather the perceptions, thoughts, opinions, and concerns of the community regarding health outcomes, health behaviors, social determinants of health, and clinical care for Allegan County. To gain the community voice for effective planning.**

January 2022 to March 2022 collection period

**631** Survey Participants

**38** Questions

Paper & Electronic Distribution

## Limitations:

- Sample Size
- Sample Representation
- Income Levels
- Age Distribution

## HIGHLIGHTS

Parks/Green Space



## TOP STRENGTHS:

Community Safety

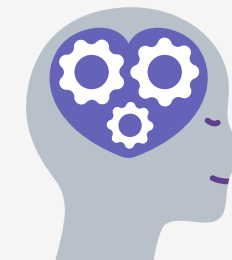


Education



## GREATEST HEALTH CONCERNS:

Mental & Behavioral Health



Alcohol & Drug Use



Obesity



# Potential Emerging Public Health Concerns

## ADMINISTRATION

- Communicable diseases/Emerging illnesses, and being able to respond to other public health concerns with limited resources
- Limited access, delay of care related to COVID-19, and impact on chronic diseases and health outcomes for residents
  - **Update:** received grant funding from Michigan Rural Health Center (approximately \$289,000), until May 2023
    - Identified 2 Community Health Workers to hire, the contract has been executed, awaiting funds
      - Attending training provided by Michigan Community Health Worker Association and using their curriculum
      - Establishing a referral process and meeting with other county departments, such as Senior/Veterans, Public Defenders, Corrections, as well as MACC to educate on the referral process and this available resource
- Social Determinants of Health and Equity and impact on health outcomes
- Working with communities as a Chief Public Health Strategist in a national, state, and local environment where communities are currently divided to focus on using respectful civil conversations





# Resource Recovery: 2022 Activities (Quarter 1)

## CUSTOMERS

### Online Reporting Tools

- **MET:** Expanding online reporting tools for residents to request curbside recycling service and to report missed recycling collection
  - Curbside and missed recycling tools added to the county website

### Supporting Local Units of Government (LUG)

- **ONGOING:** Supporting local municipalities interested in participating in the Recycling Surcharge election

### Materials Management County Engagement

- **MET:** Reviewing data collected by West Michigan Sustainable Business Forum through the Materials Management County Engagement Grant

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Tire Collection Funding

- **MET:** Identified agriculture tire collection funding source.
  - Outlining service delivery options with VBDSP grant coordinator

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### Exploring Online Scheduling Solutions

- **MET:** Coordinating with IS to explore online scheduling solutions for household hazardous waste and sharps appointments
  - Household hazardous waste appointment tool is in development

### Website Improvements

- **ONGOING:** Improving Recycling website through on-going creation of a recycling guide for difficult to recycle items

## EMERGING RESOURCE RECOVERY CONCERNS

- Legislation requiring updating plans in county. Our current resources in program are not able to accommodate this revision
- Rising transportation and labor costs resulting in increased recycling and household hazardous waste collection costs.
- Lack of countywide recycling and household hazardous waste collection options for residents.
- Lack of available Health Department employees, volunteers, and trustees to support recycling and scrap tire collections.

## RESOURCE RECOVERY



18 LGU Participating in the Recycling Program, with 2 notices received for voter renewal of funding, and 2 additional seeking voter approval for funding to join



Increased collection of single stream recycling by 3.9%, scrap tires by 69%, household hazardous waste by 15%, and depot site visits by 8.4%



Launched an online recycling guide and added management instructions for 15 materials



Recycling Social Media Posts in Q1



Implemented an online submission form for residents to request curbside recycling services and report missed recycling collection.



Partnered with West Michigan Sustainable Business Forum and seven other W. Michigan counties to complete the Materials Management County Engagement Grant.



# Resource Recovery: 2022 Activities

## CUSTOMERS

### Online Reporting Tools

- Q2 Activities include:
  - Development of Household Hazardous Waste appointment tool

### Supporting Local Units of Government (LUG)

- Continue supporting local municipalities interested in participating in the Recycling Surcharge election

### Materials Management County Engagement

- Continue review of data collected by West Michigan Sustainable Business Forum through the Materials Management County Engagement Grant
- Attending EGLE-sponsored events to learn more about the planning process to update the County's Materials Management Plan.

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Tire Collection Funding

- Pairing the Scrap Tire Collection grant with the VBDSP grant to begin a limited collection of oversized and agricultural tires.

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### P2B

- Collaborating with team to ensure all service areas have an identified and trained back-up

### Website Improvements

- Improving Recycling website through on-going creation of a recycling guide for difficult to recycle items

## EMERGING RESOURCE RECOVERY CONCERNS

- No Update for Q2, continuing to monitor



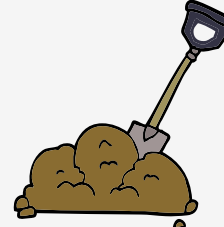
## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH



**125**  
Residential Well Permits Issued

**2** Type II Well Permits Issues

**67**  
Abandoned Wells Plugged



**141**   
On-Site Sewage Disposal Permits Issued

**14** Type II Well Sanitary Surveys Conducted

**201** Residential Well Final Inspections Completed

**39** SESC inspections Completed

**8** Failed Septic System Evaluations Conducted


**65** On-Site Sewage Disposal Final Inspections Completed




**102**  
SESC Permits Issued

**168**  
Fixed Food Establishments Inspected




**9**  Complaints/Food Borne Investigations



**190**  
EH Records Requests Processed

**2**  
Body Art Facilities Inspected

**3,479**  
Facility Files Scanned

**1**  Temporary Food Inspection completed

**9** plan reviews received


**7** plan reviews approved

Out of season services not conducted during Quarter 1:

- Beach Sampling
- Vector Borne Surveillance
- Campground Inspections
- Pool Inspections
- Septage Truck Inspections

**0** Well Construction & On-Site Sewage Disposal System Construction Violation Notices/Correction Orders Issued

**25** Loan Evaluations Conducted

**0**  Groundwater monitoring letters sent

**111**  
Vacant Parcels Evaluated for Septic Systems



# Environmental Health: 2022 Activities (Quarter 1)

## CUSTOMERS

### Filebound

- **Project outcome:** customers will have access to files on the internet. This project is funded through an MDHHS grant
  - **MET:** Activities for this Quarter include:
    - Purchase and install technology equipment
    - Interview, hire, and on-board a Robert Half employee
    - Purge existing files
    - Scan files into PDF documents 3,479 files ready

### Ground Water Ad Hoc Committee

- **Project outcome:** Have a community-driven workgroup around the Ground Water study
  - **MET:** Activities for this Quarter Include
    - Send an email and schedule the 1st meeting for the workgroup
      - in-person and virtual meeting options
    - Develop Committee Charter

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Financial Statement Reporting

- **MET:** New for 2022
  - Submitted the report to EGLE through the Department of Finance

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### Standard of Work for Ground Water Laboratory Results (PFAS, etc.)

- **MET:** Activities for this quarter include:
  - Procedures on groundwater site laboratory results
  - Tracking MDHHS registered sites to ensure filter replacements, etc. are not missed
    - Groundwater Specialist and Manager developed a procedure with guidance from Health Officer
    - Developed a procedure and budget for the maintenance of existing filters

### Type II Water Supply Rules/Regulation Changes

- **UPDATE:** 2016 Coliform rules change increasing testing, with no additional funding.
  - This creates a challenge for local health department Type II or Non-community Water Supply Coordinators' to meet the requirements
    - Developed a Corrective Plan of Action for EGLE to address the deficiencies in the administration of the program





# Environmental Health: 2022 Activities

## CUSTOMERS

### Filebound

- **Project outcome:** customers will have access to files on the internet. This project is funded through an MDHHS grant
  - Activities for this Quarter include:
    - On-boarded new 2 Robert Half employees
    - Continue purging existing files
    - 4,602 files ready for Filebound

### Ground Water Ad Hoc Committee

- **Project outcome:** Have a community-driven workgroup around the Ground Water study
  - Activities for this Quarter include:
    - Elect a Chair and Vice-chair
    - Hydrosimulatics, Inc. proposed a next step for the Work Group
    - Ottawa County and Lakeshore Advantage are presenting to the Work Group

## ENGAGED WORKFORCE

- 2 Sanitarians attended FEMA funded Environmental Health Training in Emergency (ETHER) in Alabama
- The Ground Water Specialist received Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) training
- A Sanitarian will be attending Vector-Borne training the week of May 16th. Part of P2B.

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### Standard of Work for Ground Water Laboratory Results (PFAS, etc.)

- Activities for this quarter include:
  - The Ground Water Specialist and EH Services Manager meet with the Health Officer to review the process

### Type II Water Supply Rules/Regulation Changes

- Multiple agencies (MALEHA, EGLE, and MDHHS) working with Lawmakers to locate additional funding for the program
- Working with EGLE on this process

### Status of Gravel Pit Activity

- ARTICLE V - Earth Change Permit Requirements
  - Section 501. Activities Requiring an Earth Change Permit (see Section 324.9116 and R 323.1704)
- Invoices were mailed on April 18, 2022
- As of May 11th, 8 have paid and permits issued
  - Following up with the remainder

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

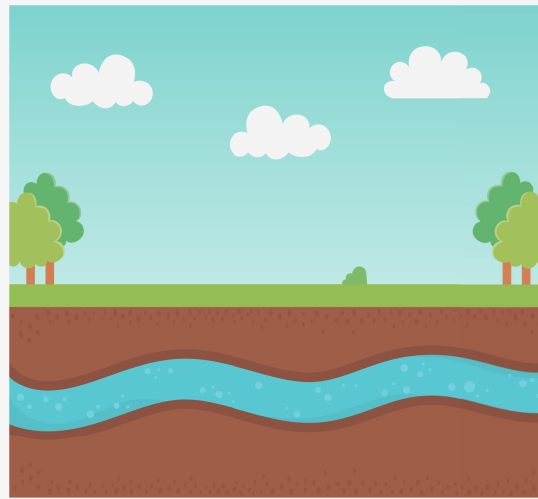
### Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Financial Statement Reporting

- Submitted the Report to EGLE

# Potential Emerging Environmental Issues

## Ground Water Contamination

- Current Sites of PFAS Interest: KAVCO, Otsego, DeYoung Landfill (sites in Allegan County on Michigan PFAS Action Response Team's website)
- Ground Water Monitoring Program:
  - **UPDATE:** Sampled 15 wells from DeYoung landfill for groundwater contamination
  - **UPDATE:** POU PFAS Filters were recommended at 2 sites with exceedances



## Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs)

- Longer, warmer summer season may contribute to incidences and duration of HABs
  - ACHD has joined EGLE and MDHHS on additional training in the detection of HABs

## Vector-borne Diseases, including EEE

- Mosquito/Tick Surveillance program: working with Resource Recovery and Public Health for agriculture tire collection. Updates will be shared in future BOC updates
- Training an additional Sanitarian for P2B to assist with the administration of the program
- Education and promotion to be shared through ACHD communication channels as we enter the season
- Working with Parks, Recreation, and Tourism to put signage on tick prevention up in highly trafficked areas.



## Beach Testing Surveillance and Monitoring

- **UPDATE:** Beach sampling and surveillance beginning after Memorial Day
- Working with Parks, Recreation, and Tourism to put signage on beach water safety up in highly trafficked areas.



## Climate Change

- The EH Services Manager participated in a webinar about climate change, its effect on the groundwater, and how it will determine the design and installation of septic systems.
- Refreshing sanitarians of water tightness on the septic tanks in high water table areas and to pay attention to the seasonal high water table when performing the soil evaluations.



## PERSONAL HEALTH



**679** CSHCS Total Clients

**33** CSHCS New Client Enrollment

**33**

Level 1 Plan of Care  
CSHCS

**13**

Level 2 Care Coordination  
CSHCS

**0**

CSHCS Case  
Management Services

**10**

CSHCS Transition Plan of  
Care

**57/54**

CSHCS Transition contact  
assists/mailings

**25**

redistributions of  
vaccine inventory  
(covid and non-covid)

**3,811**

Overall  
Medicaid Outreach  
Units



**28**

Homebound  
immunizations given

**251**

Immunizations Provided

**39**

Waivers Provided



**48**

STD/HIV Clinic  
Visits



**16,650**

Wear One Kits  
Distributed

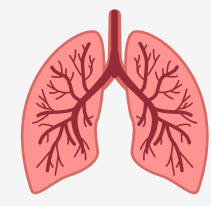


**4,912**

Hearing and Vision screenings conducted

**325**

Close contacts monitored  
for COVID-19



**1**

Active TB (DOTs)

**7**

TB Skin Tests placed



**6**

TB latent infections

**7,296**

Communicable Disease  
Investigations conducted (MDSS)

**12**

Lead Testing  
Follow up clients



**11**

Rabies  
Evaluations



**30**

Animal Bite  
Follow-Ups



# Personal Health: 2022 Activities (Quarter 1)

## CUSTOMERS

### Lead Testing

- **MET:** Activities for this Quarter include:
  - Provide education and follow-up on Venous confirmation of EBL to parents of children with elevated blood lead levels greater than 4.5µg/dL
    - Ordered new education materials from the State related to the new reference ranges
  - Educate the public and health care providers about childhood lead poisoning and other housing-related health hazards
    - MDHHS go live with materials and updated changes to the database scheduled for 5/2/2022

### CSHCS Transition Toolkit Development

- **MET:** Activities for this Quarter include:
  - Create a local transition toolkit for young adults
  - Offer care plan development regarding the transition of care to CSHC clients aged 12 and provide CSHC clients aging out assistance regarding accessing adult care and linking to resources

## CUSTOMERS

### Immunizations

- **MET:** Activities for this Quarter include:
  - Adopt a community-based approach to the provision of immunization services by working with community partners
  - Provide a recall for individuals that are not up to date
    - 1,442 Recall notices were sent to Allegan County youth with robust education, vaccine schedules, and resources
  - Working to make vaccines available in non-traditional settings
    - vaccinated 28 homebound individuals
  - Educate the public on vaccine-preventable diseases
    - Mailings, social media posts, and website content



## FINANCIAL STABILITY

- **MET:** Evaluating immunization fees
- **MET:** Determining what resources are needed to provide mandated communicable disease investigation with the influx of communicable disease cases

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

- **MET:** Ensuring all QA activities are being done and identifying opportunities for improvement



# Personal Health: 2022 Activities

## CUSTOMERS

### Lead Testing

- **Program goal:** Increase the number of children <6 years old testing for Lead to help prevent lifelong negative health impacts
  - Activities for Q2 include:
    - Introduce new resources to local providers with an updated letter from ACHD Medical Director
    - Update website materials and hyperlinks as they become available on MDHHS website
    - Collaborate with GSC and Head Start Advisory on education, provider resources, and referrals

### CSHCS Transition Toolkit Development

- **Program goal:** Increase the percentage of adolescents, with and without special healthcare needs, who receive services necessary to make transitions to adult health care.
  - Activities for Q2 include:
    - Print the first run of the local transition resource guide

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

- Audit of 340B program- review feedback informing next steps if indicated
- MDHHS Technician Assessment Program (TAP) review of Vision Tech – receive feedback and develop next steps as needed

## CUSTOMERS

### Immunizations

- **Program goal:** Increase vaccine coverage rates for vaccine-preventable disease in Allegan County for all populations with a priority on those 19 and under, as well as vulnerable population



- Activities for Q2 include:
  - Continue to collaborate with redistribution to local providers, assisting additional entities to become approved providers.
  - Provide 3 nontraditional opportunities for targeted vaccine distribution
  - Collaborate with CSHCS team to distribute recall notices to CSHCS enrolled clients, including education and resources related to nontraditional vaccination resources

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

- Submit budget documents requesting additional resources, as well as the 5-year forecasted needs
  - Increasing rabies bite investigation funds related to previous year trends
- Reevaluation of distribution of duties across the Personal Health Team

# Potential Emerging Personal Health Issues

## ONGOING: Communicable Diseases vs. Resources Available

- Identified a Gap related to needs/demands versus resources (current FTEs) related to personal health services, specifically communicable diseases.
  - PH requesting position and providing recommendations in our budget development and submission for 2020-2028.
    - Requesting coordinator position similar to field and food coordinators to help PH Service Manager to help coordinate all programs

## UPDATE: Lead Levels

- Expanded eligibility and potential demand for services related to Lead
- MDHHS has identified approximately \$800 of funding to reimburse LHDs for non-Medicaid recipients to receive home-based assessments creating a potential impact on ACHD and team capacity.

## NEW: Children with Hepatitis of Unknown Cause

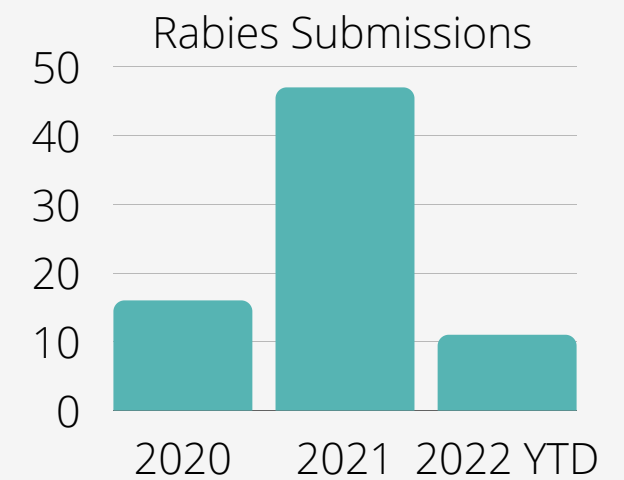
- CDC is currently working with health departments across the country to identify children with hepatitis of unknown cause. Investigators are examining a possible relationship to adenovirus type 41 infection.
- Cause and prevalence (number of cases) currently not known
- ACHD is providing education on testing and vaccinations

## NEW: Oral Health Legislation

- Under the legislation, MCL333.9316, Screenings are required for those entering kindergarten
- Looking to expand our partnership with My Community Dental Clinics (MCDC)

## NEW: Rabies Submissions

- Allegan County Health Department coordinates the rabies submissions, education, and referral for treatment related to animal bites and exposures.
- The MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories is the only lab in the state that tests animals for rabies.



## NEW: Syphilis

- Rates of primary and secondary (PS) syphilis in women have increased substantially across the United States; 21% from 2019-2020 and 147% between 2016-2020. Michigan is following these trends with 21% of PS syphilis cases reported in 2021 occurring among women of childbearing age.
- Between March 15 and April 26, 2022, 3 individuals with manifestations of early ocular, otic, or neurosyphilis were diagnosed in Kalamazoo County. 2 cases were in women. Ocular and otic syphilis can lead to permanent visual or hearing loss.
- ACHD attending a training related to Syphilis specifically for Public Health Providers in Michigan on June 3.
- **Syphilis cases in AC 2018 8 2019 16 2020 11 2021 14 .**

## PUBLIC HEALTH PLANNING & PREPAREDNESS

**42** Health Education  
Materials Created



Newsletters sent out



Press Releases  
sent out

**0** Outreach Events

**0** PHEP Drills

**0** Other County Emergency  
Preparedness Drills



**6,870**

Followers on Facebook



**301**

Followers on Twitter

**63**

Facebook posts on  
public health items in Q1

**45**

Twitter posts in Q1



# Planning and Preparedness: 2022 Activities (Quarter 1)

## CUSTOMERS

### Community Inclusion Plan

- **Requirement:** Enhance public health preparedness and awareness through outreach to community partners, including groups representing at-risk populations, and continue to implement a multi-year strategy to ensure greater integration of vulnerable/functional needs populations into local plans, planning, and exercises.
  - **UNMET:** Activities for this Quarter include:
    - Update Whole Community Inclusion Plan to reflect identified vulnerable populations for the COVID-19 After Action Report
      - We need to have the data from the After Action Report to effectively update the WCI plan.
      - **CORRECTIVE ACTION:** Have this activity completed by June 30, 2022.

### Communication Plan

- **MET:** Update plan to include Health Education, Outreach, and Mobile Clinic objectives and activities:
  - Include at least 4 community outreaches for 2022
    - Listed 13 potential outreach events for ACHD to attend
  - Incorporate national public health observances in our monthly newsletter
    - See past newsletters: <https://bit.ly/3yb2wuU>
  - Collaborate with other agencies to improve the marketing of community events (MACC, Schools, Businesses, Health Care)
    - Continuous work. Included information from Great Start Collaborative in March newsletter.

### Planning for Vaccine Resistant COVID-19 Variant

- **MET:** Identifying Resources needed and Activities in the event that there is a vaccine-resistant COVID-19 Variant with higher mortality rates
  - Action steps to be included in Q2 Incident Action Plan (IAP)

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Grant and Technical Assistance Opportunities

- **ONGOING:** Assessing 10 EPHS and National Public Health Accreditation Readiness
  - Seek grant opportunities and/or Technical Assistance from Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI) to bridge gaps

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### COVID-19 After Action Report (similar to Otsego and EEE)

- Develop survey instrument to measure strengths, weaknesses, threats and opportunities for improvement from the COVID-19 response
- Deploy the survey tool to community partners, community members, businesses, schools, LUG's by March 2022.

### COVID-19 Quarterly Action Plan Update

- Submit COVID-19 Quarterly Action Plan to MDHHS by March 31, 2022





# Planning and Preparedness: 2022 Activities

## CUSTOMERS

### Community Inclusion Plan

- Update Whole Community Inclusion Plan to reflect identified vulnerable populations for the COVID-19 After Action Report by June 30, 2022.

### Outreach at Douglas Community Pride and Bridgefest

- Attend 2 Outreach events, promoting health department services, providing access to immunizations, STI/HIV Testing, education on vector-borne diseases, etc.

### Planning for Vaccine Resistant COVID-19 Variant

- Create templated communication and education for a swift response based on COVID-19 landscape

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

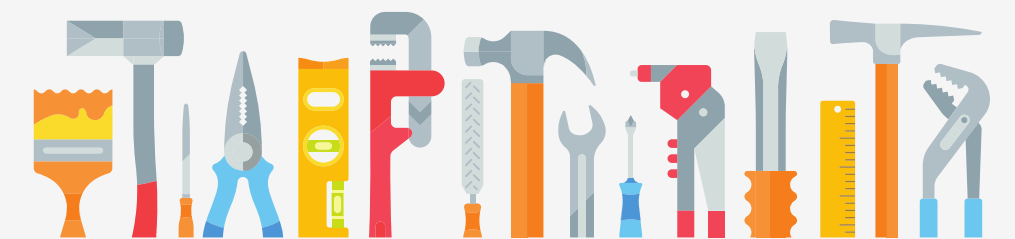
### Grant and Technical Assistance Opportunities

- Continue assessing 10 EPHS and National Public Health Accreditation Readiness
  - Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB released 2022 accreditation guidelines that changed due to the 10 EPHS changing in 2020.
  - Will be building into our plans to review these changes and update/create action steps to align.

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### COVID-19 After Action Report

- Required report to submit to MDHHS by June 30, 2022
- Deployed the survey in April 2022, closed on April 19, 2022
  - 363 individuals responded to the survey, with over 60% reporting as a Community Member
  - **Areas identified for improvement** include consistent, direct communication, mental health services, consistent contact tracing, delay of care
  - **Areas identified as strengths** include social media and access to testing and vaccine clinics, which continued to improve over the phases
- Activities for Q2 include:
  - Analyzing results from the survey
  - Host focus groups for a "deeper dive" into areas identified for improvement and areas identified as strengths for more knowledge on tangible improvements we can make locally.
    - EOC Annexes to assist with prioritization for AAR
  - Submit a report to MDHHS, due June 30, 2022
  - Will be sent to BOC prior to submission



# Potential Emerging Public Health Concerns: Planning and Preparedness

## Improve our ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health emergencies with limited resources

- Continue to work with local providers and encourage new providers to enroll in being a vaccine provider
  - There are limited partners that can administer to those under 3.
    - Provide updates to local pediatricians on eligibility and recommendations.
- Work with Emergency Management and EOC Annexes to identify gaps and improve all-hazard emergency responses
  - **UPDATE:** Use data from the After Action Survey to help with improvements

## 2022 Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (Bird Flu)

- Monitoring national and state news.
  - National:
    - A person tested positive for Avian Influenza A (H5) virus in Colorado on April 28, 2022. The case occurred in a person who had direct exposure to poultry and was involved in the culling (depopulating) of poultry with presumptive H5N1 bird flu.
  - State:
    - Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza has been detected in backyard flocks in Branch County, Kalamazoo County, Livingston County, Macomb County, Menominee County, Muskegon County, Oakland County, Saginaw County, Washtenaw County, and Wexford County.
    - On May 11, 2022, MDARD and the Michigan State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory detected HPAI in a commercial poultry facility in Muskegon County. This is the first detection of HPAI in a commercial poultry operation in Michigan.
  - Allegan:
    - On May 24, 2022, MDHHS notified ACHD of a recent detection of HPAI in a wild bird found within Allegan County.
- **Critical for bird owners to practice biosecurity measures. Learn more and subscribe to MDARD updates at [www.michigan.gov/birdflu](http://www.michigan.gov/birdflu)**

## 2022 Monkeypox

- Monkeypox is a viral zoonosis (a virus transmitted to humans from animals) with symptoms similar to those seen in the past in smallpox patients, although it is clinically less severe
- Monitoring national and state news:
  - National:
    - Since May 14, 2022, clusters of monkeypox cases, have been reported in several countries that don't normally have monkeypox.
    - On May 18, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) confirmed a case of monkeypox in the United States in a patient from Massachusetts. Cases of monkeypox have previously been identified in travelers from, or residents of, West African or Central African countries where monkeypox is considered to be endemic.
    - The CDC is urging healthcare providers in the U.S. to be alert for patients who have rash illnesses consistent with monkeypox, regardless of whether they have travel or specific risk factors for monkeypox and regardless of gender or sexual orientation.
  - State:
    - Currently, there are no confirmed cases of Monkeypox in Michigan.
    - MDHHS has sent guidance related to case investigation which can be viewed [here](#).

## Funding

- The anticipated funding ACHD will receive for Public Health Emergency Preparedness will not be able to completely cover the continued COVID-19 response.
- Also seeing cost increases for equipment and tools for preparedness activities

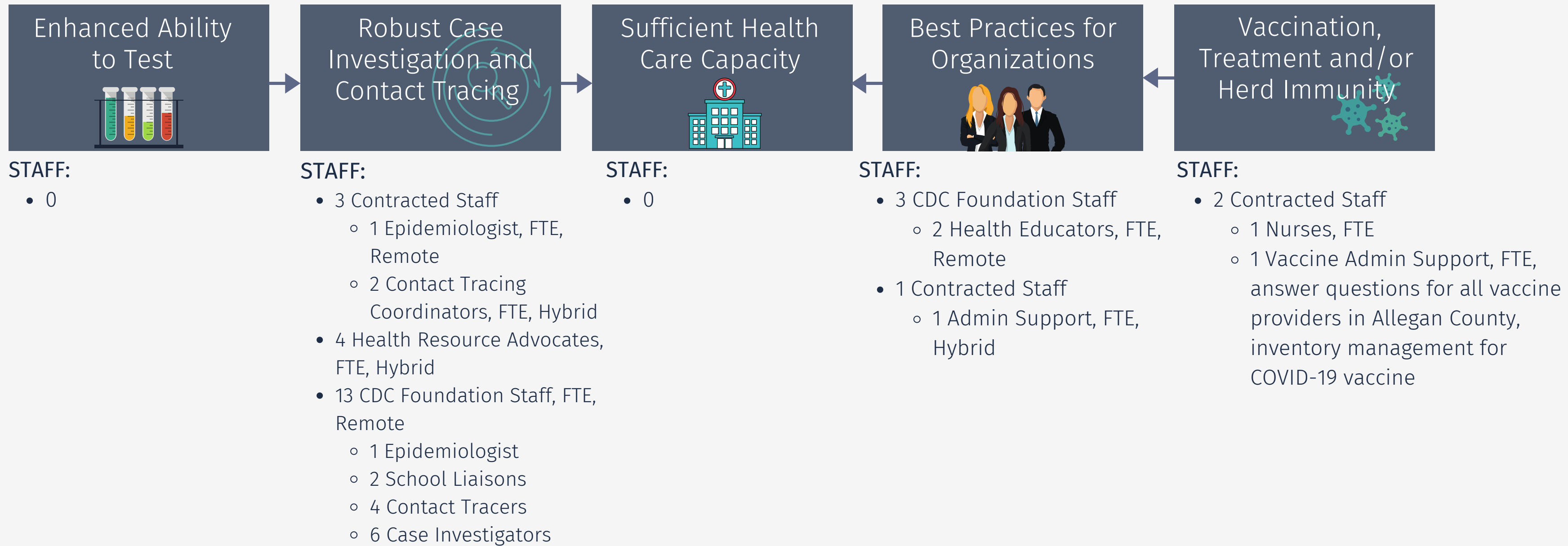




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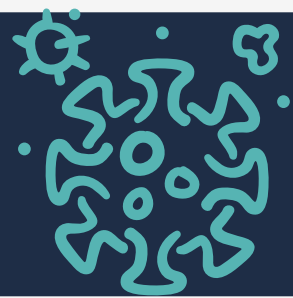
# Allegan County Health Department: Organization Chart, Staff for COVID Response

## COVID-19 MITIGATION COMPONENTS



### 11 CDCF Staff leaving by end of Q2

ACHD team believes we can continue to provide a mandated response and manage potential surges with prioritized cases, with the resources noted above



# COVID-19 Response: 2022 Activities (Quarter 1)

## CUSTOMERS

### Health Resource Advocates and School Liaisons

- **MET:** Deploy 4 Regional Health Resource Advocates and 11 School Liaisons to local school districts

### Website Improvements

- **MET:** Update COVID-19 Webpage to improve navigation on various COVID-19 topics
- **MET/ONGOING:** Provide sources for local Health Education resources

### Providing Health Education

- **MET:** Creating educational materials for social media to include mitigation strategies, latest research, timely news
  - 26 materials
- **MET:** Updating guidance documents as the situation changes
  - Updated School Guidance Documents and Workplace Toolkit

### Access to Mitigation Tools

- **MET:** Deploy adult and child KN95 masks to LUG's and Libraries for community members (ensuring adequate masking for personal protection for those at risk)
  - 14,120 adult KN95 masks distributed, 530 child KN95 masks distributed

## ENGAGED WORKFORCE

### Staffing Changes

- Onboard CDC Foundation staff members for contact tracing, case investigation, health education, school liaison, epidemiology

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Staffing Changes

- Using CDC Foundation resources to help maintain mandated services

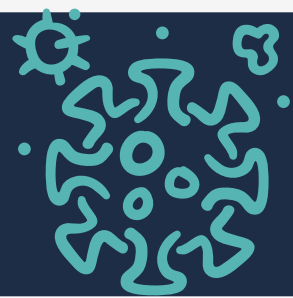
## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### Recovery Phase, Managing Close Contacts similar to other Communicable Diseases

- **MET:** Providing exposure notices in school settings
  - 398 exposure notices sent in Q1
- Quarantine used in outbreak/clusters, and other specialized circumstances such as high risk settings

### Accessible Testing

- **MET:** Identified LUGs and Libraries to distribute rapid antigen testing kits and waiting on supplies to re-distribute to them.
  - Individuals can access at home testing kits at 2 libraries (Allegan and Fennville) through MDHHS program
- **MET:** Share information via email newsletter and social media



# COVID-19 Response: 2022 Activities

## CUSTOMERS

### Assess Treatment Access with Providers

- Continue to work with providers to understand barriers to offering treatment in their practice
- Developing Standard Operating Procedures with our medical director in the event ACHD needs to provide Anti-viral treatments

### Providing Health Education

- Regularly create educational materials for social media to include mitigation strategies, latest research, timely news
- Continue to update local guidance documents as new information/guidance emerges

### Access to Mitigation Tools

- Continue to deploy adult and child KN95 masks to LUG's and Libraries for community members (ensuring adequate masking for personal protection for those at risk). Preparing for a resurgence by getting a cache of PPE and rapid home tests to get to our community partners to deploy when we have a resurgence.

## ENGAGED WORKFORCE

### Staffing Changes

- Offboarding 11 CDC Foundation staff members and realigning team related to Communicable Disease
- Onboard 2 Community Health Workers (grant-funded), 1 HRA and 1 Admin Support

## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### Staffing Changes

- Continue using CDC Foundation resources to help maintain mandated services based on response levels for future surges for as long as resources are available
- Working with Finance Department to maximize COVID-19 funding

### Billing insurances for COVID-19 related services

- Exploring billing codes related to COVID-19 related services, such as anti-virals

## IMPROVED PROCESSES

### Recovery Phase, Managing similar to other Communicable Diseases

- Continuing to monitor, but incorporating to roll response into our Communicable Disease Program (Personal Health)

### Communicable Disease Plan for Schools

- Provide school leadership a templated individual communicable disease plans to use their Emergency Operation Plans since illness/outbreaks are an identified risk

**Questions?**



**Are there any items that you'd like to see included in the next BOC Quarterly Meeting?**

S T A T E O F M I C H I G A N

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

**LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY SERVICES: PRIORITIZATION OF STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS**

**WHEREAS**, Midwest Strategy requested the Board of Commissioners (Board) rank the County's strategic focus areas within three categories:

- HIGH - will receive a specific plan to move forward; these are the areas the advocate will spend the majority of time on,
- MEDIUM - the advocate can support through other associations in a public fashion,
- LOW - the advocate will only monitor, and give a report on any movement or changes; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 12, 2022, individual Commissioners ranked the eleven focus areas and the results were tallied and shared back with the Board.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board approves the priority ranking of strategic focus areas for Midwest Strategy (advocate):

Survey Results	RANKING		
	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	1		
Broadband	2		
Water quality and availability	3		
Debt Elimination	4		
Public Health	5		
Facility and Road Planning/Construction (Infrastructure)		6	
Transportation Services		7	
Public Safety and Criminal Justice		8	
Brownfield Properties			9
Placement of an additional Circuit Court Judge			10
Parks and Recreation			11

S T A T E O F M I C H I G A N

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

**LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY SERVICES POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, on April 28, 2022, the Board developed a concept for administrating Legislative Advocacy Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners (Board) authorized the County Administrator to finalize the concept for the Legislative Advocacy Services into a formal resolution.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board hereby adopts the Legislative Advocacy Services Policy; effective immediately, as presented.



**ALLEGAN COUNTY  
POLICY**



**TITLE:** Legislative Advocacy (Lobbying) Services

**APPROVED BY:** Board of Commissioners

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 12, 2022

1. **GENERAL:** As determined by the Board of Commissioners (BOC) (April 28, 2022), the County Administrator (CAO), utilizing official action of the BOC (through adoption of plans, policies or specific resolutions/motions), is the contact and coordinator for Advocacy Services. Considering the rapid nature of legislative activity, the BOC will maintain a list of authorized topics and positions proactively for the CAO and the Legislative Advocate (LA) to act upon.
  - 1.1 To assist in providing input to the BOC on legislative matters or County initiatives that may cross various sectors, the BOC has established the “Legislative Advisory Workgroup” which may be assembled when the BOC has referred an item to the workgroup for a recommendation. The workgroup is considered “Ad Hoc” and is not recognized as a standing committee. When assembled, the workgroup may consist of the following representative areas (based on the topic(s) of consideration and the areas/individuals most aligned to the topic(s)) and shall not exceed 5 individuals assembled to vote on a recommendation:
    - a. A representative of the BOC
    - b. County Administrator (and other administrative resources that may be needed for a given topic) as a resource and coordinator to the workgroup and representative to the Advocacy Services firm.
    - c. A representative of the Judicial Council
    - d. Road Commission
    - e. County-wide elected official(s) that may relate to a topic
2. **PROCEDURE:** To address the policy, the following procedure shall be utilized:
  - 2.1 Requests for input/information
    - a. LA contacts CAO with inquiry.
    - b. CAO may: 1) address the inquiry directly based on facts available, including formal actions of the BOC, 2) forward inquiry to the appropriate service area for input, with a deadline for response, and/or 3) forward the inquiry to the Legislative Advisory Workgroup with a deadline for response.
    - c. Any input gained through 2.1.b will be compiled and sent back to the LA (this info does not represent an official position of the County unless provided by the CAO based on BOC direction or delegated authority).
    - d. The information provided to the LA shall be supplied to the BOC.
  - 2.2 Request for direction/position
    - a. LA contacts CAO with a request for direction or a position on behalf of the County.
    - b. CAO may provide a response to the LA if the BOC has already taken action or has delegated authority to the CAO. The information will also be provided to the BOC.
    - c. In the absence of formal BOC action or delegated authority, the CAO must await formal direction from the BOC.
    - d. Prior to the receiving the BOC’s formal direction, the CAO may gather input from the Legislative Advisory Group representative areas and present the findings to the BOC.
    - e. Notwithstanding 2.2.d, the BOC in its consideration, may refer the matter to the Legislative Advisory Committee for a formal recommendation.
    - f. Once the BOC provides formal direction, the CAO will provide a response to the LA.

S T A T E O F M I C H I G A N

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

**NATIONAL COMMUNITY SURVEY—RELEASE**

**WHEREAS**, on March 10, 2022, the Allegan County Board of Commissioners (Board) authorized the County Administrator to negotiate and sign contract documents, purchasing the services of the Polco National Research Center, Inc., 8001 Terrance Ave. Middleton, WI 53562; and

**WHEREAS**, a workgroup consisting of the individuals listed below developed the final draft National Community Survey with Polco National Research Center:

Jim Storey, Board of Commissioners Chairperson

Frank Baker, Sheriff

Dan Wedge, Executive Director of Services

Angelique Joynes, Health Officer

Sherry Owens, Director Senior and Veterans

Brandy Gildea, Parks Manager

Mark Witte, Director ACCMH (funding)

Lisa Evans, Allegan County Community Action (funding)

Amanda Telgenhof, United Way (funding)

William Brown, Allegan Area Educational Service Agency (funding)

Michael Kiella, Community Representative.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Board approves the release of the survey; as presented.



May 2022

Dear Allegan County Resident:

Please help us shape the future of Allegan County! You have been selected at random to participate in the 2022 Allegan County Community Survey. **If you've already completed the survey online, thank you. Please do not respond twice.**

Please take a few minutes to fill out the enclosed survey. Your participation in this survey is very important—especially since your household is one of only a small number being surveyed. Your feedback will help Allegan County make decisions that affect our County.

**A few things to remember:**

- **Your responses are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.**
- In order to hear from a diverse group of residents, the adult 18 years or older in your household who most recently had a birthday should complete this survey.
- **You may return the survey by mail in the enclosed postage-paid envelope, or you can complete the survey online at:**

**<https://polco.us/xxplaceholder>**

**Please do not share your survey link.** This survey is for randomly selected households only. The County will conduct a separate survey that is open to all residents just a few weeks from now.

If you have any questions about the survey, please call 269-686-5150.

For community updates and additional information, please go to [www.allegancounty.org/Communitysurvey](http://www.allegancounty.org/Communitysurvey)

Thank you for your time and participation!

Sincerely,

Jim Storey  
Board Chairperson

# Allegan County 2022 Community Survey

Please complete this survey if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday (the year of birth does not matter). Your responses are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

## 1. Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Allegan County.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Allegan County as a place to live .....	1	2	3	4	5
Your neighborhood as a place to live .....	1	2	3	4	5
Allegan County as a place to raise children .....	1	2	3	4	5
Allegan County as a place to work.....	1	2	3	4	5
Allegan County as a place to visit.....	1	2	3	4	5
Allegan County as a place to retire.....	1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of life in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of community.....	1	2	3	4	5

## 2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Allegan County as a whole.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Overall economic health of Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of the transportation system (auto, bicycle, foot, bus) in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall design or layout of Allegan County's residential and commercial areas (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, parks, etc.) .....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Allegan County (water, sewer, storm water, electric/gas, broadband).....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall feeling of safety in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of natural environment in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall health and wellness opportunities in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts.....	1	2	3	4	5
Residents' connection and engagement with their community .....	1	2	3	4	5

## 3. Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following.

	<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Somewhat unlikely</u>	<u>Very unlikely</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Recommend living in Allegan County to someone who asks.....	1	2	3	4	5
Remain in Allegan County for the next five years.....	1	2	3	4	5

## 4. Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

	<u>Very safe</u>	<u>Somewhat safe</u>	<u>Neither safe nor unsafe</u>	<u>Somewhat unsafe</u>	<u>Very unsafe</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
In your neighborhood during the day.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Allegan County's downtown/commercial area during the day .....	1	2	3	4	5	6
From property crime.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
From violent crime.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
From fire, flood, or other natural disaster .....	1	2	3	4	5	6

## 5. Please rate the job you feel the Allegan County community does at each of the following.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Making all residents feel welcome .....	1	2	3	4	5
Attracting people from diverse backgrounds.....	1	2	3	4	5
Valuing/respecting residents from diverse backgrounds.....	1	2	3	4	5
Taking care of vulnerable residents (elderly, disabled, homeless, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5

## 6. Please rate each of the following in the Allegan County community.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Allegan County....	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of business and service establishments in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5
Vibrancy of downtown/commercial area .....	1	2	3	4	5
Employment opportunities .....	1	2	3	4	5
Shopping opportunities .....	1	2	3	4	5
Cost of living in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall image or reputation of Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5

**7. Please also rate each of the following in the Allegan County community.**

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Traffic flow on major streets.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of public parking.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by car in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by public transportation in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by bicycle in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of walking in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Well-planned residential growth.....	1	2	3	4	5
Well-planned commercial growth.....	1	2	3	4	5
Well-designed neighborhoods.....	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of the historical or cultural character of the community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public places where people want to spend time.....	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of housing options.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality housing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of new development in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall appearance of Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Cleanliness of Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Water resources (beaches, lakes, ponds, riverways, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Air quality.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of paths and walking trails.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)...	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality food.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality health care.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of preventive health services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality mental health care.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Community support for the arts.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality childcare/preschool.....	1	2	3	4	5
K-12 education.....	1	2	3	4	5
Adult educational opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of civic/community pride.....	1	2	3	4	5
Neighborliness of residents in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend special events and festivals.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to volunteer.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in community matters.....	1	2	3	4	5
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds.....	1	2	3	4	5

**8. Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.**

	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Contacted Allegan County (in-person, phone, email, or web) for help or information.....	1	2
Contacted Allegan County elected officials (in-person, phone, email, or web) to express your opinion....	1	2
Attended a local public meeting (of local elected officials like City Council or County Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.).....	1	2
Watched a local public meeting on-line (Zoom or YouTube).....	1	2
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Allegan County.....	1	2
Campaigned or advocated for a local issue, cause, or candidate.....	1	2
Voted in your most recent local election.....	1	2
Used bus, rail, subway, or other public transportation instead of driving.....	1	2
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone.....	1	2
Walked or biked instead of driving.....	1	2

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## 9. Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Allegan County.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Public information services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Economic development.....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic enforcement.....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic signal timing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street repair.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street cleaning.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street lighting.....	1	2	3	4	5
Snow removal.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sidewalk maintenance.....	1	2	3	4	5
Bus or transit services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Land use, planning, and zoning.....	1	2	3	4	5
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Affordable high-speed internet access.....	1	2	3	4	5
Garbage collection.....	1	2	3	4	5
Drinking water.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sewer services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Storm water management (storm drainage, dams, levees, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Power (electric and/or gas) utility.....	1	2	3	4	5
Utility billing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sheriff services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Crime prevention.....	1	2	3	4	5
Animal control.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ambulance or emergency medical services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fire services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fire prevention and education.....	1	2	3	4	5
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations).....	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of natural areas (open space, farmlands, and greenbelts).....	1	2	3	4	5
Allegan County open space.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recycling.....	1	2	3	4	5
Yard waste pick-up.....	1	2	3	4	5
County parks.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation programs or classes.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation centers or facilities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Health services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public library services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall customer service by Allegan County employees (Sheriff, receptionists, planners, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Allegan County Senior Service.....	1	2	3	4	5
Allegan County Veteran Services.....	1	2	3	4	5

## 10. Please rate the following categories of Allegan County government performance.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
The value of services for the taxes paid to Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4	5
The overall direction that Allegan County is taking.....	1	2	3	4	5
The job Allegan County government does at welcoming resident involvement.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall confidence in Allegan County government.....	1	2	3	4	5
Generally acting in the best interest of the community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Being honest.....	1	2	3	4	5
Being open and transparent to the public.....	1	2	3	4	5
Informing residents about issues facing the community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Treating all residents fairly.....	1	2	3	4	5
Treating residents with respect.....	1	2	3	4	5

**11. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?**

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4	5
The Federal Government.....	1	2	3	4	5
Your local government (City, Village, or Township).....	1	2	3	4	5
The State Government .....	1	2	3	4	5

**12. Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Allegan County community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years.**

	<u>Essential</u>	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>
Overall economic health of Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of the transportation system (auto, bicycle, foot, bus) in Allegan County.....	1	2	3	4
Overall design or layout of Allegan County's residential and commercial areas (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, parks, etc.).....	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of the utility infrastructure in Allegan County (water, sewer, storm water, electric/gas, broadband) .....	1	2	3	4
Overall feeling of safety in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of natural environment in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4
Overall quality of parks and recreation opportunities.....	1	2	3	4
Overall health and wellness opportunities in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4
Overall opportunities for education, culture, and the arts.....	1	2	3	4
Residents' connection and engagement with their community .....	1	2	3	4

**13. How much of a problem, if at all, do you think the following issues are in Allegan County?**

	<u>Major problem</u>	<u>Moderate problem</u>	<u>Minor problem</u>	<u>Not a problem</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
Animal problems (animals running at large, barking dogs).....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic problems (e.g., residential speeding, aggressive drivers) .....	1	2	3	4	5
School safety (e.g., bullying, fighting, or weapons) .....	1	2	3	4	5
Domestic violence (adult) .....	1	2	3	4	5
Sexual assault/rape (adult) .....	1	2	3	4	5
Elder abuse and financial crimes against the elderly.....	1	2	3	4	5
Driving under the influence (i.e., alcohol or drugs) .....	1	2	3	4	5
Underage drinking.....	1	2	3	4	5
Drug abuse (e.g., manufacture, sale, or use of illegal/prescription drugs) .....	1	2	3	4	5

**14. Overall, how would you rate each of the following in Allegan County?**

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
High quality, affordable infant care .....	1	2	3	4	5
High quality, affordable toddler care .....	1	2	3	4	5
High quality, affordable preschool care .....	1	2	3	4	5
Available childcare that meets my regular scheduling needs.....	1	2	3	4	5
Available childcare that meets my irregular scheduling needs (e.g., during school breaks or evenings/weekends).....	1	2	3	4	5
Assistance available to meet families with young children basic needs 0-5 years old for those who need it (e.g., diapers, formula, etc.) .....	1	2	3	4	5
Services available to support families with young children 0-5 years old (e.g. Early On, Head Start, 20 Hands, WIC, Mental Health) 1	2	3	4	5	

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15. Please indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information about the County government and its activities, events and services:

	Major source	Minor source	Not a source
County Meeting online (Zoom or YouTube).....	1	2	3
Local newspapers .....	1	2	3
County website (allegancounty.org) .....	1	2	3
County email notifications .....	1	2	3
Social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter) .....	1	2	3
County communications via U.S. mail .....	1	2	3
Talking with County officials or County staff, or attending public meetings .....	1	2	3
Word of mouth .....	1	2	3

16. If you had a choice, which housing option would you prefer? Then, please tell us which is your current housing situation.

	Strongly prefer	Somewhat prefer	Do not prefer	Current situation
Own a house .....	1	2	3	<input type="radio"/>
Rent a house.....	1	2	3	<input type="radio"/>
Own a condominium .....	1	2	3	<input type="radio"/>
Rent an apartment .....	1	2	3	<input type="radio"/>
Own a mobile home .....	1	2	3	<input type="radio"/>
Rent a mobile home .....	1	2	3	<input type="radio"/>

17. If you had a choice, would you prefer to keep your current housing situation?

- No                       Yes                       Don't know

18. If you were considering a move within Allegan County, how much a barrier, if any, would each of the following be in your decision to move?

	Major barrier	Somewhat of barrier	Not a barrier	N/A
I can't find housing that is affordable in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4
I can't find housing that is large enough/meets my sizing needs in Allegan County .....	1	2	3	4
Cost of moving (hiring movers, transport, etc.) .....	1	2	3	4
I can't get out of my lease .....	1	2	3	4
I can't sell my house.....	1	2	3	4

19. In general, when considering recycling:

	Very	Somewhat	Not very	Not at all	Don't know
Is recycling and materials management important to you?.....	1	2	3	4	5
Are you satisfied with the recycling services available to you? .....	1	2	3	4	5
How convenient is it for you to dispose of household hazardous waste? .....	1	2	3	4	5
Are you willing to pay more for increased recycling services (e.g., the ability to recycle a wider variety of materials, more frequent pickups, etc.)?.....	1	2	3	4	5

Our last questions are about you and your household.

Again, all of your responses to this survey are confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

D1. In general, how many times do you:

	Several times a day	Once a day	A few times a week	Every few weeks	Less often or never	Don't know
Access the internet from your home using a computer, laptop, or tablet computer .....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Access the internet from your cell phone .....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Visit social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor, etc. ....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Use or check email .....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Share your opinions online.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
Shop online .....	1	2	3	4	5	6



**D2. Please rate your overall health.**

- Excellent     Very good     Good     Fair     Poor

**D3. What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:**

- Very positive     Somewhat positive     Neutral     Somewhat negative     Very negative

**D4. How many years have you lived in Allegan County?**

- Less than 2 years  
 2-5 years  
 6-10 years  
 11-20 years  
 More than 20 years

**D5. Which best describes the building you live in?**

- One family house detached from any other houses  
 Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apartment, or condominium)  
 Mobile home  
 Other

**D6. Do you rent or own your home?**

- Rent  
 Own

**D7. About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance, and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?**

- Less than \$500     \$2,000 to \$2,499  
 \$500 to \$999     \$2,500 to \$2,999  
 \$1,000 to \$1,499     \$3,000 to \$3,499  
 \$1,500 to \$1,999     \$3,500 or more

**D8. Please indicate how many people in each age range live in your household**

Number of children age 0-5: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children age 6-17: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults age 18 or over: \_\_\_\_\_

**D9. Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?**

- No     Yes

**D10. How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)**

- Less than \$25,000     \$65,000 to \$99,999  
 \$25,000 to \$49,999     \$100,000 to \$149,999  
 \$50,000 to \$64,999     \$150,000 or more

**D11. Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?**

- No, not Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino  
 Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino

**D12. What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)**

- American Indian or Alaskan Native  
 Asian, Asian Indian, or Pacific Islander  
 Black or African American  
 White  
 Other

**D13. In which category is your age?**

- 18-24 years     55-59 years  
 25-34 years     60-64 years  
 35-44 years     65-74 years  
 45-54 years     75 years or older

**D14. What is your gender?**

- Female  
 Male  
 Identify in another way

**D15. What is your employment status?**

- Working full time for pay  
 Working part time for pay  
 Unemployed, looking for paid work  
 Unemployed, not looking for paid work  
 Fully retired

**D16. Do you work inside the boundaries of Allegan County?**

- Yes, outside the home  
 Yes, from home  
 No

**D17. What is the highest grade of school or year of college that you have completed?**

- Grade school  
 High school degree or GED  
 Some college/Associate's degree  
 Bachelor's degree  
 Post-bachelor's degree/Graduate degree

**Thank you!** Please return the completed survey in the postage-paid envelope to:  
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