HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Mission

Protect and Promote the health of the People; protect and improve the environment; provide support during natural and man-made emergencies; and lead Town efforts in emergency planning.

Budget

General Fund --	$489,700
Grants --	$ 63,490
Contributions --	$ 200
User Fees --	$ 25,200
TOTAL --	**$578,590**

Staffing – 5.0 FTE

Charles J. Petrillo, Jr., Dr.PH, Director of Health
Sharon Enot, R.N., Public Health Nurse
Michael Pepe, R.S., Sanitarian
Vacant Position, Sanitarian
Raymond Schubert, Inspector (part-time)
Ellen Hansen, Clerk (part-time)

What We Do

Inspection & Regulation Programs

Food Safety
- Issue permits to all full & temporary food operations
- Inspect all food operations on regular basis
- Investigate all suspected food outbreaks
- Coordinate Epidemiological investigations
- Conduct classes on food related issues

Drinking Water Protection
- Perform sanitary surveys & review well water analyses
- Issue permits for all well construction/repairs
- Respond to all drinking water questions/complaints
- Coordinate extension of public water mains with MDC

Waste Water Disposal
- Review/approve new/repaired septic systems
- Investigate complaints on sewage disposal
- Monitor pollution cleanup at BDL

Public Health Nuisances
- Property Maintenance
- Refuse & Litter
- Vermin
- Air pollution
- Odors
- Noise

Institutional Health & Safety
- Public & private schools
- Day Care Centers
- Migrant labor camps
- Public/semi-public swimming pools/spas
- Youth resident day camps
- Group homes
- Parks & public play grounds
- School infirmaries
- Hotels/motels

Emergency & Hazardous Situations
- Respond to Hazardous Material spills
- Respond to bio-terror incidents
- Oversee Cleanup of
  - ABB, Hamilton Sundstrand, BDL
- Assist at fire scenes
- Support EOC, Sheltering Operations

Mosquito Control
- Direct Mosquito Control operations
- Treat 4,600 town catch basins
- Distribute mosquito dunks to residents
- Advise residents on tick identification

Environmental Assessment
- Participate on Site Development Team
- Provide environmental & health info.
- Assess property for development

Landfill Support
- Member of Landfill Team
- Long-term planning for
  - solid waste collection
  - disposal after landfill closes
  - recycling
  - gas collection

Disease Prevention & Control

Community Assessment
- Monitor local health status & data
- Study impact of health disparities/health
- Address child health & wellness issues

Epidemiological Investigations
- Review Reportable Disease Reports
- Monitor & investigate disease outbreaks
- Review all laboratory reports received

Community Programs

- Conduct CPR, First Aid, AED programs
- Provide information related to bioterrorism
  - Pandemic Flu
  - Smallpox
  - Anthrax
  - SARs
- Train medical & non-medical volunteers
- Public Access AEDs
- Promote cardiovascular health through education
- Provide stroke & cholesterol screening
- Provide public health education programs
- Sell bike and multi-sport helmets
- Maintain Website with links to health & safety
- Provide OSHA bloodborne pathogen training
- Partner with departments on Holiday Toy Drive

Clinic Services

- Health Screenings
- Conduct Senior Health Fair
- Conduct Annual Flu Clinic

Emergency Management

- Maintain Emergency Operations Plan
- Operate the Emergency Operation Cntr
- Contact Point with DEMHS
- Recruit and Train Staff and Volunteers in
  - EOC Operation
  - Shelter Operations
  - Other Emergency Response Activities
- Administer Bioterrorism Grant
  - Lead Health Department for MDA#31