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HSP Services October 2024 – December 20241

Administration

Overdose Fatality Review Activities:

- The Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) Committee released its first edition of the OFR Newsletter, which was sent to 68 individuals with a 25% open rate, 4 hours after its release. https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/OHFCPH/bulletins/3c70bf8.
- The OFR Community Action Group is making significant progress towards a kick-off meeting in January; as of 12/24/2024, 4 community members have accepted their membership, 2 have yet to respond, and 8 community organizations have either been nominated or signed up to participate. The kick-off meeting will take place in late January and will focus on team building and goal setting for the year. The focus of the Community Action Group is to provide input on implementation of OFR recommendations in the community.

Behavioral Health & Addiction Services

- In Quarter 4, 24 naloxone kits and 34 fentanyl test strips were distributed in zip code 43209. There were no naloxone community training attendees that reported 43209 as their residential zip code. It is possible that more residents of Bexley received these resources, but it is not required for recipients to report their zip code of residence.
- Quarter 4 overdose data has not been finalized and is not able to be included in an ROI report.
- Franklin County CARES is a surveillance platform that offers access to local data on overdose, addiction, and community health indicators. Visit the Bexley Profile for more information.
- Linkage to Care and Peer Recovery Support Activities: As of the beginning of December 2024, Peer Support and Recovery Specialist have connected clients in active recovery and/or experiencing SUD with over 840 resources: including 466 transportation linkages, 219 food resources, and 155 'Other" resources (i.e. treatment, housing, clothing, medical, behavioral health, identification documentation, and employment). In 2025 FCPH will be able to provide specific zip code and/or geographic location for clients served.
- The Health Systems and Planning tobacco team provided no community trainings in quarter 4 however, training was provided 79 community residents within Franklin County. While none of these trainings were conducted in Bexley, tobacco trainings can be requested at any time.
- The city of Bexley has passed Tobacco Retail Licensing (TRL) and the tobacco flavor ban policy and continues to collaborate with the Tobacco Prevention & Cessation team.



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Care Coordination

- Health Systems and Planning Community Health Workers (CHWs) received 2 new referrals for zip code 43209 in Quarter 4.
- The CHWs served 9 residents from zip code 43209 in Quarter 4. These clients completed 14 checklists and 26 pathways, including education on adult healing, nutrition, health and safety, empowerment, daily care routines, emotional health, Cota bus pass and social services referrals.
- In 2024 FCPH partnered with Franklin County Jobs and Family Services (FCJFS) to pilot a
 Transitional Housing Pilot Program (TH) offered to all Franklin County Health and Human
 Services Agencies. The pilot is extended into 2025, TH staff and partners are working to amend
 hotel contracts and prepare for the program expansion into the new year. In addition to
 contracts with local hotels, FCPH is in contract with a local company, whose primary function
 is to find permanent housing for clients in the pilot program.
 - To date the TH program has received 63 referrals of which 53 clients have been placed into temporary hotel accommodations, 4 clients have obtained permanent housing, and an additional 20 clients are awaiting keys to finalize permanent housing.

Community Engagement

Health Promotion

• In Quarter 4, the Clinton Township Produce Market provided fresh produce to 1,489 individuals from 317 households with 35 senior boxes being delivered. Though no one reported living in zip code 43209, it is possible that residents from the Bexley community may have been provided with fresh produce.

Community Health Action Teams (CHATs)

- General: The 2025 Annual CHAT Summit will be held on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, focusing on the theme of "Catalyzing Community Action". This event provides FCPH with the opportunity to highlight the projects accomplished by the CHATs throughout the previous year. The CHAT Summit also provides a space for public health professionals to network, join in on informative conversations through presentations, and collaborate on ways to improve community well-being. The feature keynote speaker will be Mayor of Upper Arlington, Ukeme Awakessien Jeter.
 - Registration Link registration is currently closed as we are at capacity, however we are generating a waitlist and will notify those on the waitlist as space becomes available.
- The HSP Health Promotion team engaged with 2,031 community members through 8 different community events. These events included community training and education events and



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health fairs. While none of these events were held in Bexley, it's possible members of the city attended the events.

Emergency Preparedness

 The team trained 62 individuals in Stop the Bleed in Quarter 4 however, none of the individuals being trained reported their city of residence as Bexley. To request a Stop the Bleed training, please follow this <u>link</u>.

Regional Public Health Emergency Preparedness:

• In 2024 FCPHs' Regional Emergency Public Health Coordinator (RPHC) responded to and/or conducted information sharing for the following incidents: Logan County Tornado Mass Casualty Incident (MCI), Solar Eclipse, the Mass Rabies Exposure Incident, the IV solution hospital supply chain issues caused by Hurricane Helene, the Crowd Strike outage, the Columbus Cyberattack, extreme heat incident, the Hamilton County Styrene Leak and the Scioto County flooding, which included collaboration with Central Ohio Region emergency response agency and local health departments along with other regions across Ohio.

Respectfully Submitted: Theresa Seagraves, Assistant Health Commissioner, Director, Health Systems and Planning – January 10, 2025.