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The Southwest Utah Public Health Department (SWUPHD) serves the approximately 277,472 residents of Washington, Iron, Kane, Beaver, and Garfield counties.

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

CLINICAL SERVICES

- Immunizations administered (non-COVID-19): 11,058
- COVID-19 vaccine doses administered: 121,032
- International travel immunizations: 450
- TB (Tuberculosis) tests: 998
- Epidemiology investigation contacts (including COVID-19): 12,337
- Total deaths in 5-county district (2020): 2,325
- Total births in the 5-county district (2020): 3,196
- Vital Statistics certificates (includes birth & death certificates): 20,190

COMMUNITY HEALTH

- Certified car seat installation checks: 172
- Students, parents, and administrators completing Clearing the Vapor course: 13,475
- Decrease in 10th grade 30-day vape use: 19%
- Retailer tobacco compliance checks: 370 (84% in compliance, 84 clerks trained)
- Residents referred by clinicians to Quit-line to stop using tobacco: 209
- Entities assisted and/or funded to expand or create active transportation (walking/biking) plans: Washington City (17.5 miles of new bike lanes), St. George (7.8 miles of new bike lanes), Enoch, Cedar City, Springdale, Utah Tech University

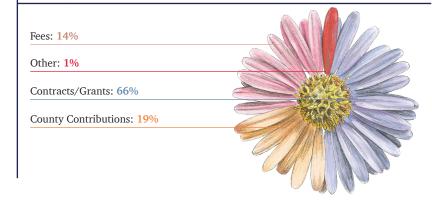
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- MRC (Medical Reserve Corps) registered volunteers: 520 (5,734 hours volunteered)
- Sponsored emergency preparedness trainings & events: 324
- Full-Scale Strategic National Stockpile / Medical Countermeasure Exercises (Flu "Shootouts"): 8 Locations (1,600 Flu Shots Administered)
- COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics: 450 (including 35 mobile)
- Health Care Preparedness Coalition Meetings: 15
- AFN (Access & Functional Needs) Coalition Members: 294

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- Total food service inspections and consultations: 4,405 (1,409 routine, 57 follow-up, 2,939 consultations)
- Food Handler Cards issued: 8,293
- Water samples analyzed (for swimming pools and drinking water facilities); 6,876 (5,473 pool, 1,403 drinking water)
- Public pools & spas in district: 782
- Restaurants/food establishments in district: 1,151
- Total septic inspections and consultations: 7,176 (541 inspections, 6,635 consultations)

REVENUE



2021 FRIENDS OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Every year, the SWUPHD selects members of the community who have demonstrated exceptional support and service to the field of public health.

ROSALIND METCALF

Former Southwest Utah Board of Health member

Representing Kane County, Rosalind (Roddy) Metcalf recently retired as a member of the Southwest Utah Board of Health where she had served for 8 years. Roddy has always been an advocate for the health of others, especially during her long career as a nurse. Roddy has been diligent in staying current on public health issues, actively participating in the board of health, and contributing to the health of the community at large by advocating for good health practices and demonstrating them in her personal life.



BECKI BRONSON

Public Relations, Intermountain Healthcare South Hospitals

Also known for her journalism and voice talent, Becki has been the driving force behind the creation and consistency of the Iron County PIO Association, enabling communications representatives from diverse organizations to train, plan, and work together for emergencies. She also facilitated the return of the SWUPHD Flu Shootout at Cedar City Hospital's annual Fall Health Fair.



WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Child Nutrition Program

SWUPHD health inspectors report that this school district stands out with cleanest kitchens and excellent in-spection scores, all while serving several million meals every school year. Accepting the award are Sharon Stucki (Program Supervisor) and Stefenee Hymus (Program Secretary). Sharon has been at her job for almost 40 years and is proud of the fact that they've never had a single case of food poisoning linked to the district's lunchrooms.



FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Search @swuhealth to stay caught up on everything happening at the health department and check out our newly revamped website swuhealth.org for SO MUCH good stuff!









HEALTHY RESTAURANTS

Healthy Habits Award recognizes restaurants in our community that offer healthy choices on their menu and maintain high standards of excellence. You can find the sticker below on the doors of these winning locations. (To apply and see if your restaurant qualifies visit **swuhealth.org/healthy-restaurants**)



GOLL) LEVEL	-
Gaia's Gai	rden Cafe	,
Ter	riyaki Gril	

Twisted Noodle Cafe

The Hearty Beet Viva Chicken Xetava Gardens Cafe

SILVER LEVEL

Chick Fil'a First Watch Main Street Cafe BRONZE LEVEL

Tia's Artisan Bakery Deep Creek Coffee Co. Teriyaki Madness

TOP 10 SOUTHWEST UTAH CAUSES OF DEATH

- 1. Cancer
- 2. Heart Disease
- 3. Alzheimer's Disease
- 4. COVID-19
- 5. Stroke
- 6. Accidents
- 7. Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases
- 8. Diabetes
- 9. Kidney Disease
- 10.Suicide

Source: Most recent CDC data (2020)

BEST OF STATE 2021



Pictured from left to right: David Heaton (Editor/SWUPHD PIO), Jeff Shumway (Publisher/SWUPHD Business Manager), Kindal Ridd (Art & Design/SWUPHD Graphic Designer), Cameron Mitchell (SWUPHD Deputy Director)



WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN MY COMMUNITY?

Our mission is to Protect the community's health through the Promotion of wellness and the Prevention of disease.

CONTACT US

Call or visit your county's office (see page 5) or visit **swuhealth.org** for information on our services, programs, and COVID-19 updates.

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YOUR FRIENDLY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FACES

Thank you to our wonderful team for working so hard during a landmark vaccination year at the health department. Your attitude and excellence brings higher health to our southern Utah communities.

