GARFIELD COUNTY
PUBLIC HEALTH
ROADMAP
TO BETTER HEALTH
EMBARKING ON THE PATH

OUR CURRENT SERVICES PROVIDE A SOLID PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE TO ADDRESS ESSENTIAL NEEDS.

TO IMPROVE HEALTH AND QUALITY OF LIFE WE ASK THE QUESTIONS:
EMBARKING ON THE PATH

WHAT ARE IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTICS OF A HEALTHY COMMUNITY FOR ALL WHO LIVE, WORK, AND PLAY HERE?

HOW DO WE ENVISION THE LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM IN THE NEXT 5-10 YEARS?
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HEALTH PROMOTION

21 WATER BOTTLE FILLING STATIONS PROVIDED TO SCHOOLS, REC CENTERS & PUBLIC BUILDINGS ACROSS COUNTY

BUILT ENVIRONMENT GROUP IDENTIFIED SMALL PROJECTS TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY SAFETY: 8 PROJECTS TOTALING $50,000 COMPLETED TO DATE

FACILITATED VALLEY WELL WORKPLACE PARTNERSHIP, ASSISTING 9 LARGE GARFIELD COUNTY EMPLOYERS WITH WORKPLACE WELLNESS PROGRAM EXPANSION- INCLUDING GARFIELD COUNTY
COOKING MATTERS

INCREASED PARTICIPATION, SERVING 384 FAMILIES

TEACHING TIPS AND TRICKS FOR GROCERY SHOPPING AND EATING HEALTHY ON A BUDGET
COOKING MATTERS

6-WEEK COURSES ON HEALTHY EATING WITH HANDS ON EXPERIENCE PREPARING HEALTHY MEALS IN A KITCHEN

30 TOURS/COURSES OFFERED THROUGHOUT COUNTY
WIC NUTRITION PROGRAM

643 NEW FAMILIES JOINED THE PROGRAM. AVERAGE CASELOAD = 1,074 PARTICIPANTS

123 MOMS RECEIVING BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELING THROUGH TEXTING PROGRAM
WIC NUTRITION PROGRAM

$20,000 Farmers Market vouchers for clients and seniors

Teaching tips and tricks for grocery shopping and eating healthy on a budget

$2,500 redeemed in Double Up Food Bucks: spend $10 of SNAP funds at a farmers market – get another $10
NAME CHANGE FROM LIVEWELL GARFIELD COUNTY TO GARFIELD HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

RECEIVED $517,700 OVER 3-YEARS TO CONTINUE HEALTHY EATING ACTIVE LIVING & HEALTH EQUITY WORK
GAVE $112,165 TO 60 LOCAL PROJECTS THROUGH MINI GRANT PROGRAM

LAUNCHED WELLNESS MONTH AND ‘NO-SUGAR-IN-SCHOOL WEEK’ AT SOPRIS ELEMENTARY. SCHOOL WON COLORADO HEALTHY SCHOOL CHAMPION AWARD FOR EFFORTS.
ORAL HEALTH

1,650 STUDENTS SERVED, 3RD LARGEST PROGRAM IN COLORADO

IDENTIFIED 892 CAVITIES; PLACED 2,947 SEALANTS

ACCORDING TO RESEARCH, THIS PROGRAM PREVENTED 485 FILLINGS & 133 TOOTHACHES IN 2016

THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN REFERRED FOR CAVITIES DECREASED BY 18% OVER 4 YEARS, 2012-2016. FROM 39% TO 22%

4 YEARS DATA ANALYSIS SHOWS PROGRAM HAS DOUBLED IN PARTICIPATION
IMMUNIZATIONS

PROVIDE ALL CHILDHOOD, ADULT, INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, IMMIGRATION, AND COLLEGE ENTRANCE VACCINATIONS

ANNUAL FLU VACCINATION CAMPAIGN SERVED OVER 2,000 GARFIELD COUNTY RESIDENTS
IMMUNIZATIONS

SERVED 929 ADULTS AND 1,074 CHILDREN THROUGH IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

315 CLIENTS SERVED THROUGH INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

INVESTIGATED 154 REPORTABLE DISEASE CASES IN GARFIELD COUNTY

PREVENTED SPREAD OF TUBERCULOSIS THROUGH PATIENT MANAGEMENT

PROVIDED HIV AND HEPATITIS C SCREENINGS AND EDUCATION

DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH PREVENTION EFFORTS, PERTUSSIS (WHOOPING COUGH) IS NO LONGER AN EPIDEMIC IN COLORADO. 2016 SAW ONLY 2 GARFIELD COUNTY PERTUSSIS CASES
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS WORK ON PUBLIC SAFETY COUNCIL, PUBLIC HEALTH RIFLE CAMPUS SAFETY COMMITTEE, GARFIELD COUNTY HEALTHCARE COALITION / ESF8 GROUP, STATEWIDE HEALTHCARE COALITION COUNCIL

PLAN, PREPARE AND EXERCISE EMERGENCY RESPONSE EFFORTS IN THE EVENT OF A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

CONDUCTED COMMUNITY TABLE-TOP EXERCISE FOR 50 PARTICIPANTS WITH REPRESENTATION FROM COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, LAW ENFORCEMENT, HOSPITALS, SCHOOLS, MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC INFORMATION, FIRE/EMS, AND OTHERS
MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY PROGRAM OFFERS FREE CAR SEAT CHECKS TO PUBLIC

CONTINUE TO FIND THAT 73% OF CAR SEATS ARE NOT USED OR INSTALLED CORRECTLY

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM PROVIDES SUPPORT TO FAMILIES ON MEDICAID AND CHP+
MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH

BABY AND ME TOBACCO FREE PROGRAM ENROLLED 18 PREGNANT WOMEN, PROVIDING EDUCATION AND SUPPORT TO STOP SMOKING

GAVE VOUCHERS TOTALING OVER $2,000 TO PROVIDE DIAPERS TO POSTPARTUM WOMEN WHO SUCCESSFULLY QUIT

NURSE CONSULTANT SERVICES PROVIDED TO LOCAL PRESCHOOLS AND CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

(HCP) HEALTH CARE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS

SUICIDE PREVENTION COALITION OF GARFIELD COUNTY PROVIDES AWARENESS TRAINING AND EDUCATION TO THE PUBLIC AND IN SCHOOLS

SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINATION (SANE) SITE OPENED IN RIFLE OFFICE

GARFIELD COUNTY CHILD FATALITY PREVENTION TEAM REVIEWS CHILD FATALITIES AND IMPLEMENTS PREVENTION STRATEGIES
CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWO FULLY TRAINED CONSUMER PROTECTION INSpectORS STAFFED TO DO CHILD CARE, RETAIL FOOD, AND SCHOOL HEALTH INSPECTIONS

BEGAN REGULATING AND INSPECTING TEMPORARY EVENTS, SUCH AS STRAWBERRY DAYS, MOUNTAIN FAIR & COUNTY FAIR

OFFER QUARTERLY FOOD SAFETY CLASSES FOR ENGLISH AND SPANISH SPEAKING RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES- APPROXIMATELY 50 ATTENDEES EACH CLASS
AIR QUALITY MONITORING

$50,000 FROM URSA RESOURCES FOR SITE-SPECIFIC AIR MONITORING IN BATTLEMENT MESA

COMPLETION & RELEASE OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY $1.7 MILLION STUDY EXAMINING AIR EMISSIONS FROM NATURAL GAS OPERATIONS IN GARFIELD COUNTY

USED AIR MONITORING SITES TO TEACH AIR QUALITY EDUCATION CLASSES INCLUDING COLORADO MOUNTAIN COLLEGE STUDENTS
WASTE MANAGEMENT

VALLEY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT BOARD TO FOCUS ON CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO WASTE MANAGEMENT ISSUES

WASTE TIRE INSPECTION PROGRAM PROVIDES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CONDUCTS INSPECTIONS OF WASTE TIRE FACILITIES IN COUNTY
RADON TESTING

180 RADON TEST KITS DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC

EXPERIENCED A VERY HIGH, 85% USE RATE

PARTNERED WITH LOCAL PEDIATRIC OFFICE TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG FAMILIES TO TEST FOR RADON

GARFIELD COUNTY OWNED BUILDINGS TESTED FOR RADON
Aspen to Parachute Dental Health Alliance
Built Environment Group
Child Fatality Prevention Team
Child Protection Team
Colorado Association of Local Public Health Officials
Colorado Basin Roundtable
Colorado Directors of Environmental Health
Colorado Early Childhood Obesity Prevention
Colorado Food Policy Network
Community Connectors Network
Community Support Team (CST)
Cradle to Career Initiative, Ready for Kinder Group
District 16 Wellness Committee
Early Childhood Council Dist. 16, Re1, Re2
Family and Community Engagement Team (FACET)
Family Resource Center Board
Garfield Air Quality Technical Workgroup
Garfield Clean Energy
Garfield County Breastfeeding Coalition
Garfield County Food & Nutrition F.U.N. Workgroup
Garfield County Healthcare Coalition
Garfield County Public Information Officers Group
Garfield Safety Committee
Governor’s Council on Active Healthy Lifestyles
Head Start Advisory Board
Health Care Coalition/ESF8
Human Services Commission
Interagency Oversight Group (IOG)
Middle Colorado Watershed Council (MCWC)
National Advisory Council for W.I.C.
Nurse Family Partnership Advisory Board
Public Health Rifle Campus Safety Committee
Public Safety Council
Rifle Farmers Market Board
Sexual Assault Response Team/SANE
Source Water Protection
State and Local Breastfeeding task force
Statewide Healthcare Coalition Council
Suicide Prevention Coalition
Valley Well Workplace Partnership
West Mountain Regional Health
Western Colorado Association of Environmental Health Officers
Western Colorado Reg. Air Quality
WIC Local Agency Retail Coordinator
THANK YOU TO THE CITIZENS OF GARFIELD COUNTY, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, OUR STAKEHOLDERS, AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR ENGAGING WITH US AS WE STRIVE TO CREATE A HEALTHIER PLACE TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY