



**Davis**  
COUNTY  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

# ANNUAL REPORT 2024



Healthy Choices. Healthy People. Healthy Communities.

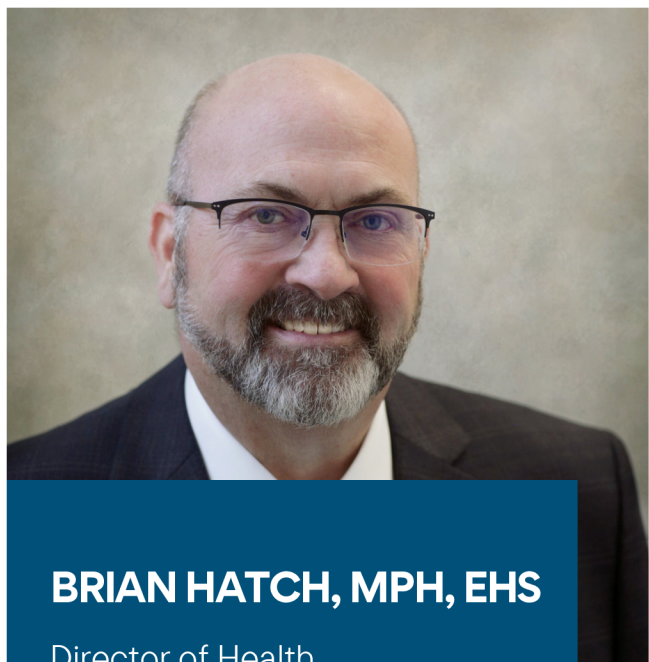
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# LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR



**BRIAN HATCH, MPH, EHS**

Director of Health

I am pleased to provide the department's 2024 Annual Report which highlights our team's accomplishments throughout many diverse public health programs. Our commitment to enhancing the health and well-being of the community has driven significant progress, which is outlined in this report.

From our timely response to a mass bat exposure, to establishing a countywide air quality monitoring system, to obtaining Project Public Health Ready re-recognition from the National Association of County and City Health Officials, our team worked tirelessly in 2024 to achieve our mission to promote and protect the health and well-being of the Davis County community.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our staff, Board of Health, and community partners for advocating for public health and its role in protecting the community. I also extend my deepest gratitude to the community members of Davis County who trust us with our services. Together, we will continue to make a lasting impact for the future of our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Hatch', written in a cursive style.

# BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board is organized pursuant to Utah Code Title 26-A, "Local Health Authorities." The purpose of the Board is to organize a department of health and to oversee the administration of the department, determining and adopting policies that are harmonious with the practice of public health.



**Dr. Gary Alexander**  
Pulmonologist  
Tanner Clinic



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Chief Executive Officer  
Davis Behavioral Health



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Chief Executive Officer  
Lakeview Hospital





# ABOUT US

Davis County Health Department (DCHD) is the oldest local health department in Utah, opening its doors in 1937. Our staff members strive to ensure quality public health and provide services for the aging community in Davis County. DCHD serves more than 360,000 county residents through its six divisions: Health Administration, Communicable Disease and Epidemiology, Community Health, Environmental Health, Family Health, and Senior Services.

DCHD has been nationally accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) since 2015, which reflects the diligence, innovation, and professionalism demonstrated every day by its valued and talented department employees.

## VISION

Healthy Choices. Healthy People. Healthy Communities.

## MISSION

Promote and protect the health and well-being of the Davis County community.

## VALUES

- Quality Service
- Knowledgeable, Professional, and Friendly Employees
- Public Health Excellence
- Communication
- Collaboration and Partnership
- Health Equity

# COMMUNICABLE DISEASE AND EPIDEMIOLOGY

The Communicable Disease and Epidemiology Division works in partnership with the medical community and neighboring health jurisdictions to control and prevent the occurrence and spread of communicable diseases in Davis County. This is accomplished through disease surveillance, disease investigation, coordination of prevention efforts, treatment, education, training, and policy development.



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## 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

### Communicable Disease Response

- Provided services for a total of 1,112 appointments related to screening, testing, treatment and education services related to sexually transmitted infections (STI) and tuberculosis
- Responded to eight outbreaks that affected daycares, restaurants, and long-term care facilities
- Conducted 1,339 disease interviews and interventions for reportable diseases

### Mass Bat Exposure

- Conducted a rigorous investigation of a mass bat exposure event, resulting in 21 exposed individuals receiving rabies post-exposure prophylaxis through the DCHD clinic

### New Electronic Health Record System

- Implemented a new electronic health record system at DCHD to maintain key administrative and clinical data relevant to individuals who receive our services

### Personal Responsibility Education Program

- Taught 822 young adults evidence-based curriculums focused on reducing STI infections and unintended pregnancies



# COMMUNITY HEALTH

The Community Health Division engages in two primary program areas to promote the health, well-being, and safety of the Davis County community:

- Health education staff collaborate with community partners to assess, plan, implement, and evaluate public health interventions, programs, and policies that reduce preventable causes of death and increase quality of life
- The Emergency Preparedness team prepares department staff to effectively respond to emergencies and hazards through planning, training, and skills-based exercises

Both of these areas focus on building and promoting connections in Davis County. Connections to family, friends, neighbors, and the community are a significant overarching protective factor for well-being. Connections with partner agencies also set the stage for well-coordinated responses to emergency situations.



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## 2024 HIGHLIGHTS:

### Preparing the Workforce

- Conducted a Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response (CASPER) to identify community needs, giving employees the opportunity to practice implementing the survey and compiling data
- Obtained Project Public Health Ready re-recognition from the National Association of County and City Health Officials and identified as a model application

### Strengthening Protective Factors

- Connected over 250 community members to resources and programs to increase their access to healthy food through partnerships with food pantries, farmers markets, and farm stands
- Partnered with multiple healthcare providers and community agencies to encourage parents to read to their young children, a key protective factor for several health outcomes
- Facilitated 83 lessons of evidence-based education and youth development opportunities to at-risk youth in the county.
- Administered grants and support to four community partners to implement evidence-based programs that address risk and protective factors associated with substance use
- Expanded the Safe Kids Davis County Coalition to include members that address other factors that impact childhood injury rates

# ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The Environmental Health (EH) Division carries out the health department's mission by establishing regulations, conducting inspections, investigating complaints, training the workforce, collaborating with partners, and providing educational outreach. While the division's priorities evolve based on national and local trends, the foundational priorities of the division are always rooted in ensuring food is safe to eat, water is safe to drink, air is clean to breathe, and principles of sanitation and safety are followed.



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## 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

### Policy Impact

- Provided education and proposed regulation changes to the Davis County Board of Health, resulting in amending the Onsite Wastewater Regulation and the Food Service Sanitation Regulation
- Participated in rule writing committees for two state rules regarding body art facility sanitation and the design, construction and operation of public pools

### Major Projects

- Implemented a new database system to modernize the division's invoicing, permitting, and workflow process
- Completed a contract with Tellus Networked Sensor Solutions for the purchase and installation of 41 air quality monitors throughout the county, in addition to the development of an air quality map on the DCHD website
- Obtained grant funding to purchase new radon monitors to continue to provide free testing for Davis County residents
- Conducted a quality improvement project to improve inspection scheduling of mobile food businesses
- Purchased and installed a new autoclave for the environmental health laboratory

### Routine Responsibilities

- Permitted 2,388 entities
- Completed 4,058 inspections
- Investigated 531 complaints
- Issued 463 notices
- Analyzed 8,960 water samples



# FAMILY HEALTH

The Family Health Division works collectively to improve the health and quality of life for Davis County residents throughout their lifespan. Families receive personal health services through a variety of prevention programs, such as Women, Infants & Children (WIC), immunizations, travel vaccination clinics, and home visitation. All the programs in the Family Health Division focus on providing disease prevention and health education resources and referrals for individuals to improve the health of the individual, families, and the community.

In 2024, the division focused on improving access to our programs and connecting families to needed resources, especially by expanding partnerships to better understand our programs and improve referrals.



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## 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

### Immunizations

- Conducted 137 outreach clinics
- Served 133 homebound individuals
- Administered a total of 17,398 vaccines
- Awarded the Utah Silver Syringe Award for Outstanding Adult Immunization Program
- Implemented a new electronic health record system to enable online scheduling and streamline processes

### Maternal and Child Health (MCH)

- Connected 817 families with needed resources
- Conducted 1,560 developmental screenings
- Made 1,053 different referrals to help families access additional services
- Screened 320 parents for postpartum depression
- Conducted 37 community outreach events
- Held 44 partner meetings and/or presentations with community partners

### Women, Infants & Children (WIC)

- Enrolled and served 3,889 women and children, increasing access to nutritious foods, education, and support
- Distributed 50,843 diapers through a partnership with the Utah Diaper Bank
- Implemented e-WIC, allowing remote benefit loading and virtual appointments, resulting in increased participation
- Served 300+ families in our remote location at Reading Elementary to better serve those living in southern Davis County

# SENIOR SERVICES

The Senior Services Division plans and implements programs, services, and policies that support the needs of the county's aging population. These objectives are achieved through services such as:

- In-home services that support independence for older adults as their care needs change.
- Three senior activity centers throughout the county that offer highly beneficial opportunities for social interaction, congregate dining, and educational and evidenced-based classes for staying active and healthy.
- Community outreach and engagement efforts to connect seniors to resources, provide Medicare counseling, protect the rights of residents in long-term care facilities, and provide hundreds of volunteers with the opportunity to make a positive impact within their community through the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.



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## 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

### Data in Action

- Created one-page profiles that summarize data on various health topics that impact older adults to increase awareness of these conditions, identify groups most affected, and establish strategies for improvement. All eight profiles can be found on the DCHD website.

### Nutrition

- Applied for and received grant funding to help individuals aged 60+ enroll in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits to provide vital nutritional counseling.
- Established the Senior Farmers Market Program, in partnership with the Utah Department of Health and Human Services and Backyard Urban Gardens program, which helped provide vouchers to 73 individuals to purchase food that was delivered weekly to our Senior Activity Centers; 300 pounds of fresh produce were distributed to older adults in Davis County.

### Long-term Care

- Coordinated with Davis County Elections Office to share voting resources to all 37 long-term care facilities in the county, ensuring that residents had the information they needed to vote in the 2024 election.

### Department-wide Training

- Selected as one of ten health departments in the nation to participate in the Healthy Brain Initiative (HBI) Road Map Strategists program. As part of this program, all DCHD staff completed a training to identify local resources that support caregivers and individuals with dementia.



# 2024 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## EXPENDITURES

<b>Personnel Expenditures</b>	\$13,308,745.65
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>	\$7,876,783.73
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>	\$21,337.89
<b>Indirect Expenditures</b>	\$1,191,221.42

Total Expenditures

**\$22,398,088.69**

## REVENUES

<b>Fee Revenue</b>	\$4,702,121.00
<b>Contractual Revenue</b>	\$13,348,820.62
<b>Tax Revenue</b>	\$6,208,443.68
<b>Other Revenue</b>	\$1,207,831.13

Total Revenue

**\$25,467,216.43**

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