



City of New Philadelphia, Ohio
New Philadelphia Health District

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TALKING POINTS

to oppose HB 110 – mandating a City Health Dept feasibility study with possible merger

1. New Philadelphia City Health District is one of the oldest in Ohio. Established in 1854.
2. Population 17,410 (US Census – New Philadelphia estimated 2019)
3. In 2019 NPCHD provided 16,603 services. (2019 NPCHD Annual Report)
4. Has 7 employees (Health Commissioner, Director of Nursing, Public Health Nurse, Vital Statistics Registrar, Accreditation Coordinator, Environmental Health Director and Registered Environmental Health Inspector).
5. Some public health services include: Environmental Health services (inspection of food, pools, tattoo, schools, jails, etc.) Clinical Services (childhood and adult vaccines, HIV testing, Alc testing, blood pressure checks, Vivitrol or Medication Assisted Treatment for Opiate Dependence, etc.) Vital Statistics (Issues Birth and Death Certificates and Burial Permits).
6. NPCHD is currently uploading documents to achieve National Accreditation. The upload will require 400-600 documents proving city activity and functions. The deadline to complete the document upload is August 26, 2021.
7. Investigated and Contact Traced 1562 (9% of NP Residents) COVID positive cases of NP Residents (March 2020-Present)
8. During the “Stay Home” order in 2020, the city health department remained open and continued to provide services like HIV testing, immunizations, issued Birth and Death record and provided medication assisted treatment called Vivitrol to make sure our residents had access to essential services they needed whether the building was open or closed.
9. One of 12 COVID vaccination sites in Tuscarawas County and have administered 5,000 to-date (18% of total given in Tusc. Co of 27,336 to-date) COVID vaccinations (included Board of DD, Recovery Houses, New Philadelphia Schools, TCC, BCC and Starlight”. Administered COVID vaccines at varies sites throughout the city that includes Tuscora Park drive-ins, going out to business to provide access...some include Buehlers, MWCD, Gradall, Hospice, Cooper-Standard, the Sheriff’s Office and more are being scheduled).



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10. Received high marks on all audits and passed all surveys of public health programs.
11. Serves on many boards like Family and Children First Governing Board, New Philadelphia Municipal Recovery Court, Tusc Co. Addiction Task Force, Healthy Tusc, Access Tusc and more.
12. Presently provides services that will not be offered if a merger takes place: Manufactured Home Park Inspections, Smoking inspections, on-site sewage evaluations, food handling program, hand-carrying of human-exposure to rabies specimens to the ODH lab, problems related to oil and gas/mining issues within the city, as well as enforcement of any New Philadelphia Codified Ordinance health issues, MAT Vivitrol, free Alc and HIV Testing.
13. The comprehensive mosquito surveillance and abatement program will no longer exist.
14. Although staff may work in New Philadelphia, no staff from any “merged” department will be dedicated to the city of New Philadelphia for any type of environmental, epidemiological and/or nursing issue.
15. Saving the residents of New Philadelphia an estimated \$386,245 in property tax annually due to existing 1 mil health levy (Tuscarawas County Auditor 2021 data).
16. Receives approximately only \$3,200 per year from Ohio Department of Health in subsidy dollars.
17. The City of New Philadelphia’s City Council and Board of Health is proud to have their own health department staffed with hard-working and knowledgeable professionals that serves our citizens well

To oppose this language in HB 110 with City Health Department mandates, please reach out to:
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