

### **Tioga County Public Health**

Health & Human Services Building | 1062 State Route 38, Owego, NY 13827





# HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE – PUBLIC HEALTH TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2025 8:30 A.M.

#### FINANCIAL:

• 2025 Update

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

• None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

• Agency Report September 2025

#### PERSONNEL:

None

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

None

#### PROCLAMATIONS:

• Lead Poisoning Prevention Week

#### ADJOURNMENT:



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#### **INTERNAL MEMO**

TO: William H. Standinger, III; Chair, HHS Committee
FROM: Heather Vroman, MPH, MSEd.; Public Health Director
CC: Marte Sauerbrey; Chair, Tioga County Legislature

DATE: October 7, 2025

RE: Health & Human Services Meeting October 7, 2025

Attached are Public Health's materials for the Health & Human Services Committee meeting.

- Financial:
  - o 2025 Update
- Agency Report September 2025
- Resolutions:
  - o None
- Proclamation:
  - Lead Poisoning Prevention Week



FOR 2025 09							
	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
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A General Fund							
A2960 Handicapped Education							
A2960 416050 Fees - Handicapped A2960 434600 State Aid-Handicap A2960 540590 Services Rendered A2960 540620 Software Expense A2960 540710 Transport/Handicap	-605,000 -2,018,000 3,200,000 7,000 850,000	-2,000 0 0	-605,000 -2,018,000 3,198,000 7,000 850,000	-275,991.59 -1,187,644.30 1,185,849.93 .00 312,854.78	.00 .00 522,472.74 .00 92,375.52	-329,008.41 -830,355.70 1,489,677.33 7,000.00 444,769.70	45.6%* 58.9%* 53.4% .0% 47.7%
TOTAL Handicapped Education	1,434,000	-2,000	1,432,000	35,068.82	614,848.26	782,082.92	45.4%
A4011 Public Health Administration						2 500 00	100 00
A4011 427010 Refunds Of Prior Y A4011 434010 State Aid-Public H A4011 444010 MRC Federal Aid-Pub A4011 510010 Full Time A4011 510020 Part Time/Temporar A4011 510050 All Other(On Call, A4011 520090 Computer A4011 520130 Equipment (Not Car A4011 520200 Office Equipment A4011 530300 Legal A4011 530300 Legal A4011 540010 Advertising A4011 540010 Advertising A4011 540010 Rooks A4011 540010 Car Maintenance A4011 540180 Books A4011 540190 Education Reimburs A4011 540190 Garbage/Shredding A4011 540210 Automobile Fuel A4011 540210 Insurance-Liabilit A4011 540320 Leased/Service Equ	-839,933 0 0 1,663,860 179,509 0 22,810 0 25,000 3,000 2,000 85,984 12,557 88,380 4,000 1,500 4,458 12,000 23,405 2,000 1,000 1,000 38,000 4,000 4,000	0 -20,286 -6,600 -129,134 0 0 0 108,850 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 -860,219 -6,600 -129,134 1,663,860 179,509 0 22,810 108,850 25,000 3,000 2,000 4,458 12,557 88,380 4,000 1,500 1,500 13,605 2,000 1,000 1,000 33,736 4,000	-3,500.00 -597,785.78 -6,600.00 1,080,793.96 81,491.51 454.59 19,853.87 108,850.00 4,733.34 .00 614.59 44,853.46 6,503.60 32,825.62 3,761.33 364.00 1,502.70 3,000.00 3,500.77 .00 447.79 181.79 33,736.33 1,713.90	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	3,500.00 -262,433.22 .00 -129,134.16 583,066.04 98,017.77 -454.59 2,956.13 .00 20,250.70 3,000.00 1,385.41 41,130.54 6,053.40 55,554.38 238.67 1,136.00 2,955.30 9,000.00 10,104.23 2,000.00 806.06 .00 1,096.30	100.0% 69.5%* 100.0% .0%* 65.0% 45.4% 100.0% 19.0% .0% 30.7% 52.2% 51.8% 37.1% 94.0% 24.3% 33.7% 25.0% 25.7% .0% 65.0% 19.4% 100.0% 72.6%



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	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
011 540330 Legal Fees	50	0	50	.00	.00	50.00	.0%
011 540340 Literature 011 540360 Meals/Food	50 2,400	0	50 2,400	.00 1,900.81	.00 .00	50.00 499.19	.0% 79.2%
11 540300 Mears/Pood 11 540390 Mileage Expense	15	ő	15	.00	.00	15.00	.0%
11 540420 Office Supplies	7,232	0	7,232	3,664.93	.00	3,567.07	50.7%
11 540480 Postage 11 540485 Printing/Paper	1,200 3,000	0	1,200 3,000	868.94 1,207.09	.00 233.94	331.06 1,558.97	72.4% 48.0%
11 540487 Program Expense	15,000	17,286	32,286	2,458.19	.00	29,827.81	7.6%
11 540487 MRC Program Expense 11 540487 SPHIW Program Expen	0	12,100 11,957	12,100 11,957	2,928.78 7,868.63	.00 117.19	9,171.22 3,971.34	24.2% 66.8%
11 540467 SPHIW Program Expen 11 540540 Reimbursements	250	11,937	250	.00	.00	250.00	.0%
l1 540581 Security Systems &	27.500	0	27,500	18,890.64	1,173.99	7,435.37	73.0%
11 540620  Software Expense 11 540660  Telephone	10,552 7,505	7,300 0	17,852 7,505	12,280.04 3,160.14	1,108.75 .00	4,463.21 4,344.86	75.0% 42.1%
11 540000 Terephone 11 540733 Training/All Other	5,000	5,500	10,500	8,914.20	204.00	1,381.80	86.8%
l1 581088 State Retirement F	180,093	0	180,093	117,448.88	.00	62,644.12	65.2%
l1 583088 Social Security Fr l1 583088 SPHIW Social Securi	132,585	0 8,327	132,585 8,327	89,750.57 8,327.05	.00 .00	42,834.43 05	67.7% 100.0%*
l1 584088 Workers Compensati	32,265	0	32,265	24,660.20	.00	7,604.80	76.4%
11 585588 Disability Insuran	1,632	0	1,632	1,118.88	.00	513.12	68.6%
11 586088  Health Insurance F 11 588988  EAP Fringe	511,844 416	0 0	511,844 416	431,241.26 320.85	.00 .00	80,602.74 95.15	84.3% 77.1%
TOTAL Public Health Administration	2,273,119	1,236	2,274,356	1,558,307.45	4,257.99	711,790.17	68.7%
44 Early Intervention							
44 416107 Early Intervention	-45,000	0	-45,000	-17,029.80	.00	-27,970.20	37.8%*
44 434023  State Aid- Early I 44 434601  State Aid- Handica	-133,170 -16,800	0	-133,170 -16,800	-60,658.70 .00	.00 .00	-72,511.30 -16,800.00	45.5%* .0%*
44 520130 Equipment (Not Car	3,000	ő	3,000	.00	.00	3,000.00	.0%
14 540010 Advertising	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00	.0%
44 540180 Dues 44 540190 Education Reimburs	4,300 10	0	4,300 10	2,362.50 .00	.00 .00	1,937.50 10.00	54.9% .0%
14 540220 Automobile Fuel	1,000	Ö	1,000	615.89	159.24	224.87	77.5%
44 540444  Permits, Fees, Ins 44 540480  Postage	553 1,000	0	553 1,000	.00 394.31	.00 .00	553.00 605.69	.0% 39.4%
44 540485 Printing/Paper	1,800	-750	1,050	.00	.00	1,050.00	.0%
14 540487 Program Expense	195,000	-2,000	193,000	83,637.01	.00	109,362.99	43.3%
44 540590 Services Rendered 44 540620 Software Expense	4,000 7,000	0 1,500	4,000 8,500	2,400.00 6,535.18	850.00 509.00	750.00 1,455.82	81.3% 82.9%
44 540640 Supplies (Not Offi	4,000	0	4,000	349.01	.00	3,650.99	8.7%

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	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
A4044 540660 Telephone A4044 540670 Therapeutic A4044 540710 Transport/Handicap A4044 540733 Training/All Other	1,717 4,000 1,000 3,500	0 0 2,000 -750	1,717 4,000 3,000 2,750	443.05 .00 1,224.40 959.00	.00 .00 648.40 .00	1,273.95 4,000.00 1,127.20 1,791.00	25.8% .0% 62.4% 34.9%
TOTAL Early Intervention	37,010	0	37,010	21,231.85	2,166.64	13,611.51	63.2%
A4053 Community Health							
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A4053 540640 CHSC Supplies (Not A4053 540640 CPIA Supplies (Not A4053 540640 LEAD Supplies (Not A4053 540660 Telephone A4053 540733 Training/All Other	0 0 0 2,425 5,000	57,484 1,014 25,000 0 -250	57,484 1,014 25,000 2,425 4,750	46,751.65 1,013.59 2,426.58 1,327.75 3,944.81	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00	10,732.29 .00 22,573.42 1,097.25 697.19	81.3% 100.0% 9.7% 54.8% 85.3%

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	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
TOTAL Community Health	-75,175	5,000	-70,175	-220,967.71	21,693.36	129,099.35	284.0%
4064 Dental Health							
4064 416102 Dental van Fees 4064 422800 Dental Grants 4064 520130 Equipment (Not Car 4064 540010 Advertising 4064 540080 Clinic Supplies 4064 540220 Automobile Fuel 4064 540480 Permits, Fees, Ins 4064 540485 Printing/Paper 4064 540485 Printing/Paper 4064 540620 Software Expense 4064 540640 Supplies (Not Offi 4064 540660 Telephone 4064 540733 Training/All Other	-130,000 0 17,000 750 5,500 22,000 500 750 14,000 1,000 500 1,250 2,500	0 -25,000 25,000 0 1,000 -1,000 0 0 0 0 0	-130,000 -25,000 42,000 750 6,500 21,000 500 753 600 750 14,000 1,000 500 1,250 2,500	-109,171.44 -25,000.00 28,601.16 598.67 5,985.70 12,371.73 127.22 .00 261.28 205.31 6,613.86 465.33 85.52 708.33 821.00	.00 .00 2,313.28 .00 41.94 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	-20,828.56 .00 11,085.56 151.33 472.36 8,628.27 372.78 553.00 338.72 544.69 7,006.14 534.67 414.48 541.67	84.0%* 100.0% 73.6% 79.8% 92.7% 58.9% 25.4% .0% 43.5% 27.4% 50.0% 46.5% 17.1% 56.7% 32.8%
TOTAL Dental Health	-63,097	0	-63,097	-77,326.33	2,735.22	11,494.11	118.2%
4070 Child Health & Surveillance							
4070 434820 State Aid-Disease 4070 540080 Clinic Supplies 4070 540140 Contracting Servic 4070 540220 Automobile Fuel 4070 540370 Medical Expense 4070 540444 Permits, Fees, Ins 4070 540485 Printing/Paper 4070 540485 Printing/Paper 4070 540590 Services Rendered 4070 540595 Services Rendered 4070 540640 Supplies (Not Offi 4070 540660 Telephone 4070 540733 Training/All Other	-169,343 10,000 50,000 405 5,000 553 1,900 1,900 2,500 2,560 1,500 5,200 1,000 6,500	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	-169,343 10,000 50,000 405 5,000 553 1,900 1,900 2,500 2,560 1,500 5,200 1,000 6,500	-80,000.00 537.09 6,444.87 38.03 .00 .00 6.13 39.00 .00 314.52 .00 .00 123.83 33.00	.00 558.00 1,542.00 61.97 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	-89,343.00 8,904.91 42,013.13 305.00 5,000.00 1,893.87 1,861.00 2,500.00 2,245.48 1,500.00 5,200.00 876.17 6,467.00	47.2%* 11.0% 16.0% 24.7% .0% .0% .3% 2.1% .0% 12.3% .0% .0%
	-80,325	0	-80,325	-72,463.53	2,161.97	-10,023.44	87.5%



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A4090 Environmental Health							
A4090 416010 Public Health Fees A4090 434500 WELL State Aid-Publ A4090 434640 State Aid-Environm A4090 520130 Equipment (Not Car A4090 540010 Advertising A4090 540040 Books A4090 540140 Contracting Servic A4090 540180 Dues A4090 540220 Automobile Fuel A4090 54030 Legal Fees A4090 54030 Meals/Food A4090 540390 Mileage Expense A4090 540480 Postage A4090 540480 Postage A4090 540487 Program Expense A4090 540590 Services Rendered A4090 540595 WELL Services Rende A4090 540660 Supplies (Not Offi A4090 540660 Telephone A4090 540733 Training/All Other	-116,750 0 -255,336 2,000 700 10 10,000 40,000 1,065 5,000 2,500 20 1,600 100 44,000 3,000 0 11,750 3,321 7,000	-13,850 0 0 0 0 0 -10,000 0 0 0 0 0 0 10,000 13,850 0 0	-116,750 -13,850 -255,336 2,000 700 10 10,000 30,000 1,065 5,000 2,500 20 1,600 54,000 3,000 13,850 11,750 3,321 7,000	-106,536.84	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	-10,213.16 -7,444.56 -98,200.41 97.90 65.20 10.00 6,208.14 10,000.00 1,065.00 2,030.40 2,500.00 20.00 839.85 100.00 14,324.71 1,201.87 6,268.56 10,250.67 1,290.42 3,087.66	91.3%* 46.2%* 61.5%* 95.1% 90.7% .0% 37.9% 66.7% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0
TOTAL Environmental Health	-240,000	0	-240,000	-191,626.63	8,104.38	-56,477.75	76.5%
A6610 Sealer Of Weights And Measures							
A6610 419620 Sealer of Weights A6610 435890 State Aid-Octane T A6610 510020 Part Time/Temporar A6610 520130 Equipment (Not Car B6610 540040 Books A6610 540180 Dues A6610 540220 Automobile Fuel A6610 540480 Postage A6610 540590 Services Rendered A6610 540640 Supplies (Not Offi A6610 540733 Training/All Other A6610 583088 Social Security Fr	-10,500 -600 17,828 500 250 25 520 100 100 135 50 1,318	0 0 0 0 -25 25 0 0 0	-10,500 -600 17,828 500 225 50 520 100 100 135 50 1,318	-1,480.00 .00 12,841.53 .00 .00 .00 142.48 .00 .00 81.07 .00 1,042.65	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 50.00 18.56 .00 .00 .00	-9,020.00 -600.00 4,986.47 500.00 225.00 .00 358.96 100.00 100.00 53.93 50.00 275.35	14.1%* .0%* 72.0% .0% .0% 100.0% 31.0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0%



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A6610 584088 Workers Compensati A6610 588988 Eap Fringe	1,195 16	0	1,195 16	892.11 11.76	.00	302.89 4.24	74.7% 73.5%
TOTAL Sealer Of Weights And Measures	10,937	0	10,937	13,531.60	68.56	-2,663.16	124.4%
TOTAL General Fund	3,296,469	4,236	3,300,706	1,065,755.52	656,036.38	1,578,913.71	52.2%
TOTAL REVENUES TOTAL EXPENSES	-4,484,907 7,781,376	-1,089,230 1,093,466	-5,574,137 8,874,842	-3,027,837.85 4,093,593.37	.00 656,036.38	-2,546,298.75 4,125,212.46	
H Capital Fund							
H4011 Public Health Administration							
H4011 434010 State Aid-Public H H4011 520060 Car/Truck H4011 520620 Software Expense	-5,400 0 15,000	-11,572 32,143 0	-16,972 32,143 15,000	-11,571.54 32,143.16 .00	.00 .00 .00	-5,400.00 .00 15,000.00	68.2%* 100.0% .0%
TOTAL Public Health Administration	9,600	20,572	30,172	20,571.62	.00	9,600.00	68.2%
TOTAL Capital Fund	9,600	20,572	30,172	20,571.62	.00	9,600.00	68.2%
TOTAL REVENUES TOTAL EXPENSES	-5,400 15,000	-11,572 32,143	-16,972 47,143	-11,571.54 32,143.16	.00	-5,400.00 15,000.00	
GRAND TOTAL	3,306,069	24,808	3,330,877	1,086,327.14	656,036.38	1,588,513.71	52.3%

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#### **AGENCY REPORT**

August 21- September 24, 2025

#### **Highlights**

- During Tioga County's Employee Recognition Week, we celebrated Kim (5+), Janice (5+), Nicole (5+), Jason (5) and Lisa (25) for their years of service!
- PHD, Deputy PHD, Director of Dental Services and PH Project Coordinator attended the NYSAC Fall Seminar in Niagara Falls. NYSACHO highlighted the work of rural county health departments at their table, which included our poster we submitted about the Mobile Dental Program
- Tioga County Public Health was showcased by the New York Association for Rural Health as the member of the week on social media!
- At the end of August we welcomed Eileen Gallardo, intern from Binghamton University. She will be
  working on suicide prevention and substance use initiatives, including Family Fun Boxes to promote
  positive family interactions!
- Tioga County received JUUL Settlement funds, and we have started putting together a workplan to address youth vaping. A radio ad was created around teen vaping and will be aired on WEBO for a three-month period, including during high school football broadcasts.

#### **Health Education**

- The "My Health Story Survey" closed with over 900 surveys completed as well as key informant interviews for the Community Health Assessment. These results are being analyzed now to be used in the final report which will be due at the end of December.
- Staff have been busy tabling at an assortment of annual events including Tioga Downs for Suicide Prevention Coalition's Race Dedication Night and the Tioga Opportunities Health Expo, as well as at Tioga County school district open houses to promote Public Health's programs and share education and outreach material.
- Facilitated a car seat training for staff at A New Hope Center. The presentation and demonstration were well received!
- Tioga ASAP Coalition held the Annual Overdose Vigil on August 28<sup>th</sup>. There were ten community agencies in attendance tabling, three speakers who talked about their experiences with SUD and support, and nearly 100 people in attendance.
- Tioga County ASAP provided Tioga Downs with Responsible Server Trainings for 50 employees.
- Senior Public Health Educator and two Public Health Educators participated in a virtual panel for Public Health students attending Mansfield, Lock Haven and Bloomsberg University. They spoke on

what a typical day working for a local health department is like and provided insights on how college students can prepare for their careers.

#### **Environmental Health**

- EH staff attended the Central New York Environmental Health conference at Green Lakes in Syracuse. In the meeting, NYSDOH staff provided updates on water supply regulations, Indoor Air Act, bathing beaches and blue-green algae bloom.
- EH collaborated with Health Education to create and disseminate educational materials on petting zoos and requirements for animals on exhibit, i.e. to public animal farms, pet shops and schools.
- There was one ATUPA violation during this report period for a retailer who sold a nicotine product to a minor. Education was provided to the retailer.
- We vaccinated 145 pets at the Richford rabies clinic!

#### Patient Services (EI, Dental, Clinic)

- Our Early Intervention Program was audited in August, which went very well (only two findings)!
- Delivered flu campaign outreach material to Tioga County Nursing Homes, homesteads and Head Start as part of our efforts to increase influenza vaccination rates. The outreach material included posters, lip balm and pens which all had the messaging to "Save PTO for YOU, not the Flu."
- PH Nurse and PH Educator attended the NYS Immunization Consortia meeting in Syracuse. During the meeting we shared information about the pop-up tetanus clinic we conducted in Newark Valley in response to the flash flooding, as well as our flu vaccine campaign.
- With the start of the school year, we are seeing an uptick in vaccine appointments in our clinic, vaccinating children to meet the school requirements so they are not excluded. Our PH Nurse is also fielding calls from parents and school nurses, providing clarification on vaccine information.
- PH Educator hosted a meeting with Tioga County school nurses to highlight important dates related to school vaccine requirements, our point of contact and our role in ensuring children receive vaccines. A member of CredibleMind presented about the website and its potential benefits for older teens and their parents. We also updated/reminded school nurses about the Tioga County Sanitary Code, which requires that animals be vaccinated at least 14 days before participating in public exhibits or petting zoos (see attached flyer).

#### **Administrative Services**

- Deputy PHD presented the second quarter audit summary at the September Board of Health Meeting.
- Director of Administrative Services attended a 1115 waiver conference in Binghamton.
- The Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) team is completing a refresher training of the Incident Command System 200 as a group. For this training, the PHEP Coordinator is walking the group through it together, which has been extremely help for learning the content and terminology.
- All Public Health staff completed annual internal trainings.

#### **Ongoing Support/Partnerships**

- Advocacy, Support & Prevention (ASAP) Coalition
- Child Fatality Review Team
- Family Enrichment Network (Head Start)
- Lourdes PACT Advisory Board
- Mothers and Babies Perinatal Network
- New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO)
- New York State Association for Rural Health (NYSARH)
- New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC)
- Racker Center
- Rural Health Network

- Safe Harbor Committee2AY Pivotal Partners Finger Lakes
- Team Tioga
- Tioga County Board of Health
- Tioga County Commissioner's Advisory Council
- Tioga County Council of Governments
- Tioga County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
- Tioga County Mental Health Sub-Committee
- Tioga County Non-Profit Network
- Tioga County Threat Assessment Management Team
- Tioga Opportunities, Inc

#### Attachments:

- 1. Financial Snapshot, YTD thru July 2025.
- 2. Article: "Residents come out in defense of chickens," Owego Pennysaver, August 24, 2025.
- 3. Advertisements: "Back To School," & "Overdose Awareness Vigil," Owego Pennysaver, August 24, 2025.
- 4. Photographs: Tioga County Employee Recognition HHS Building Employee Ceremony (TCPH Staff Recognized), Tioga County Ninth Regular Legislative Meeting-Recognizing Employee's serving over 20 years in county, NYSAC 2025 Fall Seminar, Tabling Events at OES and Owego Middle/High School Open Houses, September 2025.
- 5. Flyer: "What the Health!?," September 2025.
- 6. Flyer: "Petting Zoo Requirements," September 2025.
- 7. Bulletin Board: "Be Ready to go in a ...FLASH!," & "Which Emotion Are You [...]," HHS Building, Owego, NY, September 2025.
- 8. Billboards: "Saving Lives One Spray at a Time" and "It's okay to FALL APART [988]," Various Locations, September 2025.
- 9. Data Spreadsheet August 21-September 24, 2025.

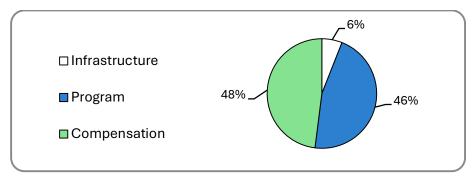
### Financial Snapshot Year-to-date through August 2025\*1,2,3

	Budget 2025	Actual YTD 2025	Percentage of 2025 Budget
REVENUES			
Fees	1,013,404	569,763	56 %
State/Federal	3,763,299	2,201,427	58 %
Local	3,330,877	950,488	29 %
TOTAL	8,107,580	3,721,678	46 %

#### **EXPENSES**

Compensation	2,862,548	1,783,780	62 %
Program Expense	4,794,182	1,700,091	35 %
Core Infrastructure	450,850	237,807	53 %
TOTAL	8,107,580	3,721,678	46 %

## Allocation of Expenses Year-to-date through August 2025



#### \*Notes:

- 1. These figures represent the most recent 'closed out" month by the Treasurer.
- 2. Most of January & February revenue are adjusted back to prior year as payments during this time are for services performed in the prior year. State Aid reimbursement is reported a couple months after each quarter ends.
- 3. Additional funds not including in the reported numbers above are JUUL Settlement Funds & ASAP Coalition grants. These are excluded as they are outside of our County approved budgets and would skew the figures to not being accurate reflections of financial status.

### Residents come out in defense of chickens

BY MATT FREEZE

The Owego Village Hall was packed Monday night regarding concerns about a potential chicken ordinance in the works

"I know a lot of you are here for the same reason, Deputy Mayor Charles Plater said. "Social media, I believe, has blown this out of proportion, billing this as the village board against chicken lovers- that's not what this is all about."

they received a complaint about rodents, which led to an infestation of predators so the board has started looking for a solution to fix



One of Michelle Anders chickens enjoys a stroll on her Village of Owego property. Photo provid-ed by Michelle Anders, Village of Owego.



Plater told residents that Pictured are Matilda, Angel, Rosie, and Raven, residents of the Village of Owego. Photo provided by Michelle Anders, Village of Owego

the problem.

before TMZ bursts through the door with paparazzi here, I just want to say we're providing a forum for a discussion — nothing's going to be set in stone tonight," Plater said. "We just want to make sure we have information that needs to be given before a proper decision can be made. So, if you came here tonight to throw insults or eggs at the board members, please don't.'

However, he said while setting two empty egg cartons on the desk, he would gladly accept some eggs or chicken while placing an empty KFC bucket next to the egg cartons on the desk.

"In all seriousness So, there's no ban, and though, we're all adults here." Plater continued. "All that I ask is that we're kind to each other and we talk in a respectful manner.'

Trustee Rusty Fuller pointed out that the purpos of public comment is to talk to the board, not "devolve into some back and forth shouting match" between them and the board, or amongst themselves.

Trustee Terry VanHall said that she and the board were thankful for those who had reached out to her to discuss their concerns regarding a potential ordi-

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#### Chicken

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She also said that Cornell Cooperative Extension, the Tioga County Public Health Department, and county Soil and Water helped them get pointed in the right direction for what the ordinance would potentially look like.

Village Attorney Nathan VanWhy wanted to reiterate that the village hasn't even drafted a proposed law at this point in time.

'There is no existing draft there have been conversations, but we don't have anything to put in front of you, the public, and say here's what's being adopted," he said. "I haven't put it together yet because they're still doing their due diligence in gathering information to tell me. okay, this is what we think the law should look like.'

VanWhy said that once that's done, a public hearing will be set for the residents to come give input on the proposal before the board votes on whether to put it in

"You'll have a formal opportunity and an actual draft of the law to comment on in the future," he said.

Tioga County Environmental Health Director Dan Scherrer told residents that the county does have existing guidelines on animals and fowl - namely, that feces aren't allowed to accuneighbor's property line so as not to cause a nuisance to public health, via smell or by impacting water quality.

your dog is going to the bathroom next to the neighbor's fence, that's not what we're talking about,' Scherrer said. "We're talking about accumulating large amounts where it can actu ally smell - this is for the whole county - and it's because we had an issue with someone on 20 acres who took a whole pile of fecal matter and plopped it right next to their neighbor's home, purposely.'

Apart from the smell, it can create a rodent issue, he

Public comment turned to Andrea Iones, who had spoken to the board previously on the matter.

I want to mention that the person who initially requested a total ban on livestock and poultry within the village approached me a while ago to tell me they're actually in support of responsible chicken ownership in the village," Jones said. "On the predator issue, in almost eight years of raising chickens, the only predator we personally dealt with is a Cooper's hawk, because they're visible from above.

Jones said there are existing code rules that prohibit ens," he said.

mulate within 50 feet of a noise and mess, and that it would make more sense to "simply enforce those rules we already have, than create new restrictions to admonish responsible keepers.'

She also said the village should take advantage of the "nuisance conditions' designation when it comes to sanitary concerns, but urged them not to restrict the number of chickens.

After she was done speak ing, Plater asked others in attendance in support of chickens to raise their hands, which prompted everyone in the room to raise theirs.

"This is what a community looks like," Plater said, and added that in the interest of brevity, he requeste subsequent speakers only discuss things that hadn't already been brought up by someone before them.

Residents Chris Peterson and his wife, Susan, said they moved to the village from New York City in 1995, and told trustees how superior home-raised eggs are, nutritionally and culinarily speaking.

Peterson also pointed out that in both World Wars, the federal government encouraged people to raise chickens in their backyards in order to aid the war effort.

"They said, 'no yard is too small to raise a few chick-

Resident Tara Gates reiterated the food quality advantages, as well as the companionship aspect of

chicken keeping.
"They're almost like emotional support animals for me - I can't get out easily, and it's a comfort for me to hear them talking with each other," she said.

Resident Kayla French told trustees that raising chickens allows her daugh ter to participate in 4-H, which is very important to her family, as well as the

Cub Frisbee, president of the Tioga County Farm Bureau, said he applauded the trustees for not rushing into a decision, and offered his assistance when drafting the ordinance language, as he's done that for other municipalities within the

After public comment on the matter was concluded, Plater told residents they were free to stay for the remainder of the meeting, or leave - a significant majority of those in atten-

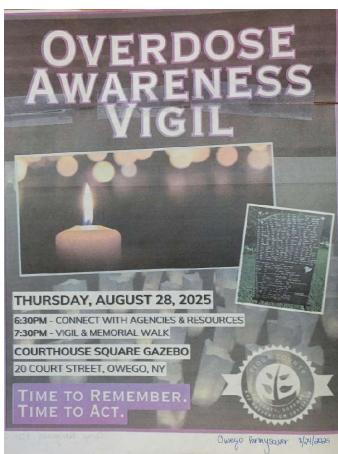
dance proceeded to leave. Plater also thanked the residents for being kind, and said "this is what I call a village — this is a perfect example."

As people were filing out, Peterson said, "That's it? Only chickens bring these people here?

Onego Pennysower 8/24/25

Article: Residents come out in defense of chickens, Owego Pennysaver, August 24, 2025





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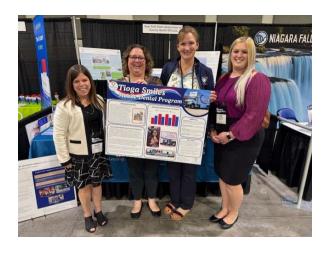
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Tioga County Public Health Employees Recognized during TC Employee Recognition Pin Ceremony at HHS Building: K. Thomas, RDH; J. Heyman, Dental Assistant; N. Whitmore, Dir. of Dental Services; L. Schumacher, OSIII; J. Davis, Assistant Dir. of Administrative Services; September 18, 2025



Tioga County Ninth Regular Legislative Meeting recognizing employee's serving over 20 yrs: Recognition of L. Schumacher (25 yrs) pictured w/ J. Davis, Assistant Dir. of Admin. Services; H. Vroman, PHD; and W. Standinger III, TC Legislator; September 16, 2025.



NYSAC 2025 Fall Seminar Niagara Falls: H. Vroman, PHD; N. Whitmore, Dir. of Dental Services; S. Medina, Deputy PHD; K. Holochak, PH Project Coordinator; September 8, 2025



Tabling at Owego Elementary School Open House: T. Jacobs, AAIII & M. Malmstrom, OSIII, September 2025.



Tabling at Owego Middle/High School Open House: K. Russell, PH Educator & C. Hickey, PH Educator, September 2025.

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# What the Health!?

September 2025

# SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL \ PREPAREDNESS MONTH!

Test your knowledge on emergency preparedness!

1. How many days should supplies to an emergency kit last?

a. 5

c. 3

b. 7

d. 10

- 2. How can you receive emergency alerts?
  - a. Text messages

c. Radio

b. Local news

d. All of the above

- 3. Which of the following should NOT be included in a family communication plan?
- a. Designated meeting place
- c. Family contact information
- b. Vague instructions
- d. Out of town contact
- 4. How often should you update your emergency kit?

a. Once a year

c. Every 2 months

b. Every 6 months

d. Every 3 months

2. D- All of the above 3. B- Vague Instructions 4. A- Once a year

# CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

@ Tioga County Public Health

FOR MORE GREAT INFO!



Check out the 2025 - 2026 Tioga Smiles Dental Van Schedule!

Child Passenger Safety Week is September 21 - 27! Make Sure Your

Make Sure Your Child is in the Correct Seat!





#### Want Narcan?

Tioga County has Public Access Narcan Boxes in Convenient Locations Across the County!



# <u>SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH</u>

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Make an extra effort to support those around you. You never know who might be struggling!



Build connections



Know the warning signs



Reach out



Share the 988 lifeline

Flver: "What the Health!?." September 2025.

Thinking of Having a Petting

Zoo in Tioga County?

Here's What to Know!

Petting zoos are displays that exhibit a range of animals for the public to pet and/or feed. Petting zoos may also include animal rides, fair exhibits, pumpkin farms with animal exhibits, performing animal exhibitions, photo opportunities, pet shops, and pet encounters in schools.

Animals commonly included in petting zoos are mammals like ponies, goats, pigs, dogs, cows, etc. All mammals have the potential to contract and spread the rabies virus. It is very important that all animals included in a petting zoo be up to date on their vaccinations, including the rabies vaccine.

Any animal bite, regardless of where it occurred, must be reported to Tioga County Public Health by calling 607-687-8600, option 1, or by visiting <a href="mailto:ph.tiogacountyny.gov">ph.tiogacountyny.gov</a> and completing the online <a href="mailto:Animal Bite Report Form.">Animal Bite Report Form.</a>

## Requirements for Petting Zoos:

\*These requirements are specific to Tioga County\*

- Operators must have each animal's rabies vaccination records available.
- Animals must be vaccinated at least 14 days before the event
- The exhibitor must assist Tioga County Public Health in identifying all humans and mammals having contact with mammals found to have rabies.
- Exhibitor records of human exposure must be available to Tioga County Public Health during and up to 6 months following the exhibit. Such records of human exposure may be in written, digital, photo, and/or security video form.

## Safety Tips for Visitors:

- Keep food and drink (meant for human consumption) away from the animals.
- Keep in mind that children under the age of five and immunocompromised adults may be more susceptible to illness.
- Always wash your hands after leaving animal areas.
- · Do not sit or play on the ground in animal areas.
- Leave strollers and baby items (pacifiers, bottles) outside of animal areas.
- Follow any additional rules posted by the petting zoo operator.

# **Safety Tips for Operators:**

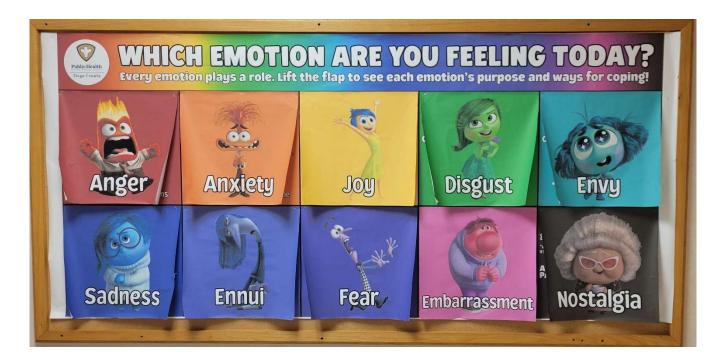
- Keep animals that are not fully vaccinated, including animals less than 4 months of age that aren't yet eligible for the rabies vaccine, in an area that is not accessible to the public (where they can't be touched).
- All animal bites or non-bite exposures (ex: scratches) must be reported to the petting zoo operator and Tioga County Public Health.
- Food vendors may not be located near animal exhibits.
- Handwashing stations with soap and water are to be located near animal areas.
- Reminder, birthing animals may carry a
  greater risk for incidents. Move the animal to
  an area that is not accessible to the public,
  close that area of the exhibit, or notify visitors
  and instruct them to maintain a safe distance
  from the animal. Double fencing around these
  areas is recommended.





Flyer: Petting Zoo Requirements, September 2025.





Bulletin Boards: Health & Human Services Building, Owego, NY, September 2025.





Billboards: Various Locations, September 2025

## **DATA SPREADSHEET**

August 21-September 24, 2025

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIVITIES	Y-E 2023	Y-E 2024	Aug-25	<u>Sep-25</u>	Y-T-D
Community Health					
Communicable Disease	2438	3082	107	90	2087
- General Infectious Diseases					
(Camplyobacterious, Salmonellosis, etc.)	61	330	3	11	334
- Zoonotic Diseases (Anaplasmosis, Lyme, etc.)	375	352	69	20	390
- Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (COVID-19,	4007	2004	0.5	40	4000
Influenza, etc.)	1897	2281	25	46	1290
Child Passenger Safety Seats Inspected	47	49	5	7	32
- Child Seats FAILED Inspection	36	40	1	6	22
CredibleMind Users	N/A	N/A	459	375	N/A
Immunizations: Total children and adults	62	87	0	8	21
Children Lead Tested (6 years and under)	913	812	61	76	649
Newly Identified Children with Elevated Blood Lead Levels	22	10	1	1	7
Environmental Health Assessments due to Child with EBLL	41	8	0	2	6
Current Children with EBLL Caseload	N/A	N/A	19	18	N/A
- Welcome Baby Packets Mailed	77	298	43	50	325
People Trained w/ Narcan	145	96	0	0	25
Dental					
New Clients	311	325	14	21	272
Dental Screenings	1141	1227	59	133	983
- Clients with Low Decay Risk	374	461	7	17	213
-Clients with Moderate Decay Risk	419	274	31	61	329
- Clients with High Decay Risk	344	493	21	55	434
Extractions	102	170	18	16	162
Children Services					
Early Intervention Referrals	206	195	10	5	105
- Early Intervention CURRENT Caseload					
*Monthly total	N/A	N/A	40	30	N/A
- EI children waiting for service(s)	N/A	34	13	8	N/A
- Active El Providers	N/A	N/A	8	13	N/A
Preschool					
- Children in a tuition-based program	N/A	349	21	20	N/A
- Children receiving transportation services under the Serafini contract	N/A	223	14	14	N/A
- Children receiving transportation from their parents	N/A	126	7	6	N/A

	Y-E 2023	Y-E 2024	Aug-25	<u>Sep-25</u>	<u>Y-T-D</u>
Child Find					
- Current Children being served	N/A	N/A	20	17	N/A
Environmental Health					
Animal bite investigations	198	238	29	26	199
- Individuals requiring Rabies Series (N)	2	51	4	6	35
Rabies Clinics	8	9	1	1	6
- Number of Animals Vaccinated	1098	1377	140	145	919
Food Establishment Inspections	247	228	21	21	169
Temporary Food Inspections	66	62	22	4	58
Clean Indoor Air Act Complaints (Smoking)	0	1	0	0	5
Mobile Home Park Inspections	37	35	2	4	28
Swimming Pool Inspections	11	11	4	0	15
Tanning Inspections	1	2	1	1	2
ATUPA Checks (Underage Tobacco Sales)	108	116	15	16	140
- ATUPA Violations	3	2	2	1	5
Wellhead Replacement Projects In Progress	N/A	60	0	0	44
Wellhead Replacement Projects Completed	N/A	30	0	0	6
Children's Camp Inspections	7	13	0	0	14
Agriculture Fairground Inspections	2	3	2	0	2
Nuisance Complaints	7	25	4	4	39
Enforcement Actions	72	45	6	10	47
Weights & Measures					
Inspection Sites	110	201	10	12	122
-Devices Inspected	604	448	21	28	196
Training Hrs./Equipment Maintenance	27	43	4	4	26
Fiscal-Electronic Payments & Applications					
Total Number of Electronic Payments (All Programs)	N/A	N/A	12	14	109
Total Dollar Amount of Electronic Payments Received (All Programs)	N/A	N/A	\$3,819	\$1,180	\$20,766
Number of Electronic Applications Received	N/A	N/A	6	5	33

# COUNTY OF TIOGA EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Lead poisoning is a serious, permanent condition that can lead to lifelong health problems including developmental delays, behavioral issues, and difficulty learning; and

WHEREAS: Lead poisoned children have increased medical costs, educational needs and increased risk for criminal behavior as adults; and

WHEREAS: The goal of New York State's Healthy People 2030 is to reduce blood lead levels in children; and

WHEREAS: New York State Public Health Law states that all children must be tested for lead at age one and again at age two to identify lead poisoned children; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Public Health works with medical providers and parents to advocate for child lead testing to reduce the risk of exposure to lead in the home; and

WHEREAS: Between 2021-2024 Tioga County Public Health provided case management and environmental health services to over 50 children with elevated blood lead levels; and

WHEREAS: Lead poisoning can be prevented by knowing and eliminating all possible sources of lead children may have access to; therefore

The TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE, County of Tioga, does hereby proclaim the week of October 19 - 25, 2025, as

#### LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK

and urges all residents to take steps to educate themselves and their families about the importance of lead poisoning prevention.

DATED: October 14, 2025	
	MARTHA SAUERBREY, CHAIR
	TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE