

COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS
Health & Environment Committee
County Office Building
County Board Room 210

Monday, March 20, 2017 - 3:00p.m.
MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call:** Judy Gilmour (Chair), Elizabeth Flowers (Vice Chair), Tony Giles, Matthew Prochaska, John Purcell
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Approval of Minutes from January 9, 2017**
- 5. Status Reports**
 - Board of Health
 - Health Department
 - Soil & Water
 - Water Related Groups
 - Other Reports
- 6. Old Business**
- 7. New Business**
 - *Rain Barrel Month Proclamation*
- 8. Chairman's Report**
- 9. Public Comment**
- 10. Questions from the Media**
- 11. Action Items for the County Board**
- 12. Executive Session**
- 13. Adjournment**

COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS
Health & Environment Committee
Monday, January 9, 2017
Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Gilmour at 3:00p.m.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Tony Giles - here, Matthew Prochaska – here, Judy Gilmour – here

Members Absent: Elizabeth Flowers (excused) *Member John Purcell entered the meeting at 3:05p.m.*

Others Present: Megan Andrews, Jenny Wold, and Dr. Amaal Tokars

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Member Giles made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Prochaska. **With four members present in agreement, the motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – Member Prochaska made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from October 17, 2016, second by Member Giles. **With four members present voting aye, the motion carried.**

STATUS REPORTS

- **Health Department** – Dr. Amaal Tokars updated the committee on the four National and County issues that the Health Department continues to monitor including Viruses, Lead, Opioids, and the importance of Vaccines. The Health Department continues to educate the County citizens on these health risks and ways to protect themselves.
- **Kendall County Soil and Water District** – Megan Andrews and Jenny Wold reviewed the various activities that they focused on for 2016, including 339 classroom presentations, 375 educators attending teacher workshops/in-services, a summer graduate course and mailings, providing education and technical services to residents in Kendall County, Natural Resources Tour, Summer Camps, the Farm and Safety Camp at Kellogg Farms, National Ag Day, and the Graduate Summer AG Institute. Most of the activities are planned for 2017.
- **Water Related Groups** – No report

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

- **2017 Committee Meeting Dates** – There was consensus by the four members present to meet on the third Monday of each month at 3:00p.m.

- *Approval of the Water Supply Ordinance* - Member Prochaska made a motion to amend the Water Supply Ordinance according to the state recommendations, second by Member Giles. Dr. Tokars said that all three of the ordinances will go back to the state for approval, and they will send a letter to the County if the ordinances are approved. **With four members voting aye, the motion carried.**

- *Approval of the Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Ordinance* – Member Prochaska made a motion to forward the Onsite Water Supply Ordinance; second by Member Purcell. This ordinance will also go to the County Board for approval, and then back to the State for approval. **With four members voting aye, the motion carried.**

- *Approval of the Food Protection Ordinance* – Member Prochaska made a motion to forward the Food Protection Ordinance for approval, second by Member Purcell. After this ordinance is approved by the County Board, it will then go back to the State for approval. **With four members voting aye, the motion carried.**

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT – Member Gilmour reported that Tony Giles will be the Vice Chair for the Health & Environment Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ITEMS FOR THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - None

COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEMS

- *Approval of the Water Supply Ordinance*

- *Approval of the Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Ordinance*

- *Approval of the Food Protection Ordinance*

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None Needed

ADJOURNMENT – Member Giles made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Member Prochaska. **The meeting was adjourned at 3:53p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain
Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary



KENDALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Is pleased to offer....

2017/2018 School Year

BaCk tO ScHooL Immunization Clinics

Month	Day	Time
April 20, 2017	Thursday	1pm-4pm
May 16, 2017	Tuesday	5pm-7pm
May 25, 2017	Thursday	1pm-4pm
June 15, 2017	Thursday	1pm-4pm
June 20, 2017	Tuesday	5pm-7pm
July 13, 2017	Thursday	1pm-4pm
July 25, 2017	Tuesday	5pm-7pm
August 24, 2017	Thursday	1pm-4pm
August 29, 2017	Tuesday	5pm-7pm
September 19, 2017	Tuesday	5pm-7pm
September 28, 2017	Thursday	1pm-4pm



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SCHOOL IMMUNIZATIONS



**DON'T WAIT
TO UPDATE!**

Immunizations are offered by appointment only

Staff will verify your eligibility when you schedule your appointment and again on the day of the appointment. Children must be accompanied by parent, legal guardian with proof of legal guardianship or written consent by parent for child.

Please bring a current immunization record to the appointment.

Please note that children must be eligible for the Illinois Vaccine for Children Program (VFC).

Children who may meet VFC eligibility requirements are: 18 or younger, enrolled in Medicaid under Title 19, or uninsured, and under-insured.

To schedule an appointment or for more information please call 630-553-9100



KENDALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

PROUDLY PRESENTS...



SHARE OUR STRENGTH'S
**COOKING
MATTERS**
NO KID HUNGRY



SIGN UP TODAY FOR A GROCERY TOUR!

Date: 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month

Time: 9:15 am - 10:45 am

Location: Jewel Osco
234 E. Veterans Parkway
Yorkville, IL 60560

We will meet inside near Customer Service

Register: Kendall County Health Department
(630) 553-9100

Questions? Can't make this tour but want to attend one in the future? Call us!



COOKING MATTERS AT THE STORE

A Guided Grocery Store Tour to Help Families Buy Healthy, Affordable Foods

Want to save money at the store?

Want to buy healthy foods to feed your family?

Want to learn how to make the most of your WIC check?

Want a fun way to fulfill your WIC nutrition education requirement?

If you said YES, come join us for a free guided grocery store tour!

Practice skills like:

- Buying fruits and vegetables on a budget
- Comparing unit prices to find bargains
- Reading and comparing food labels
- Identifying whole grains
- And sticking to your budget!

After the tour you will receive a:

FREE \$10 gift card for produce of your choice using the skills learned on the tour

FREE workbook full of tasty recipes and simple tips on buying healthy, low-cost foods

FREE reusable grocery bag

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Wrapped in Love



Brooke Jensen

This winter, the Kendall County Health Department was honored to partner with Brooke Jensen and the National Honors Society of Yorkville High School to participate in the *Wrapped in Love* project. Jensen stated, "Our purpose is to provide cancer patients love, courage, hope and support through their tough times."

Brooke heard of this project happening at another school, she loved the idea, felt inspired and wanted to start this service project at her own high school.

Jensen stated, "This project is so important to me because I strive to help others. I want to be the best person I can possibly be and creating and coordinating projects such as

Wrapped in Love helps so many other people who are deserving of love, courage, strength and help."

During this project, Brooke Jensen and the National Honors Society of Yorkville High School collected donations of money, fleece, and fleece tie blankets and delivered them to children and adults going through chemotherapy at Rush Copley Hospital and Waterford Place Cancer Resource Center. In February, the students hand delivered 185 blankets to very appreciative patients. The reaction of every patient was humbling and Jensen recalls, "The National

Honor Society officers had tears in their eyes while handing them out."

As a token of appreciation, Brooke and her best friend Julia created a [project video](#) that highlights the seven month project and all the families and student groups who donated blankets to make this project a huge success.

The *Wrapped in Love* project represents a true testament of caring and compassion for others. The Health Department is so grateful to have been included in this meaningful project.



"Drive to Success" is Changing Lives!

During the holiday season, the Health Department assisted an Air Force Veteran in obtaining reliable transportation.

While living on a very "limited income" her vehicle broke down and was too costly to repair. This aged vehicle was her only means of transportation to the substitute teaching position that she has held for the past 8 years. This Veteran needed another vehicle. That is when the owner of a very nice 2005 Sedan donated their used vehicle to the Health Department's Drive to Success program. [Drive to Success](#) is designed to help low income residents who are currently employed obtain reliable transportation for employment purposes. All expenses are paid directly to the repair shop.

This generous vehicle donation alongside grant funds of approximately \$700.00 made it possible for this veteran to continue working and remain self-sufficient. Together, this community made an impact!



Pet Rodent Safety

Contact with pet rodents (such as mice, rats, hamsters, gerbils, and guinea pigs), rabbits, and other small non-traditional pets (such as hedgehogs, sugar gliders, chinchillas, and ferrets) can be a source of human *Salmonella* infections. *Salmonella* germs can cause a diarrheal illness in people that can be mild, severe, or even life threatening. Small pets can carry *Salmonella* germs and still appear healthy and clean.

Salmonella germs are shed in their droppings and can easily contaminate their bodies, habitats, toys, bedding, and anything in areas where they live and roam. Children younger than 5 years of age, elderly individuals, or people with weak immune systems should use caution when handling or touching these small pets and other animals. These groups are at a higher-risk for infection and serious illness.



- Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water right after handling your pets or anything in the area where they live and roam.
- Adults should supervise hand washing for young children.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use hand sanitizer until you are able to wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water.
- To prevent contamination, keep your small pets out of kitchens and other areas where food and drink is prepared, served, stored, or consumed.
- Habitats, toys, feed or water containers, and any other equipment or materials used when raising or caring for your small pets should be cleaned outside the house. To prevent cross-contamination with *Salmonella* germs, avoid cleaning these items in the kitchen sink or in bathrooms.
- If bathtubs must be used for this purpose, they should be thoroughly cleaned afterwards and then disinfected with bleach.

- Don't keep habitats containing small pets in a child's bedroom, especially children younger than 5 years.
- Don't snuggle or kiss small pets, touch your mouth after handling small pets, or eat or drink around them.



The Impact of Immunizations

Kendall County Community Health Services has a vested interest in promoting and maintaining the health of our community through vaccination. Immunizations have had an enormous impact on improving the health of children in the United States. Most parents today have never seen first-hand the devastating consequences that vaccine-preventable diseases have on a child, a family, or community. While these diseases are not common in the U.S., they persist around the world. It is important that we continue to protect our children with vaccines because outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases like pertussis, mumps, and measles can and do occur in this county.

Vaccination is one of the best ways parents can protect infants, children, and teens from 16 potentially harmful diseases. Vaccine-preventable diseases can be very serious, may require hospitalization, or even be deadly — especially in infants and young children.

Keeping up-to-date immunization records for your family, especially your children, is important. You will need your children's immunization records to register them for school, child care, athletic teams, summer camps or to travel.

For updates on available immunization clinics for adults and children please click [here](#). For further information from the CDC on required immunizations for children birth -18 years old, please click [here](#).



Think spring! Think Septic Maintenance!

The septic system may easily be the most overlooked utility in the home. If you are like many homeowners, not much thought is given to what happens to your waste once it goes down the drain. Maintenance of your system can have a significant impact on how well it works and how long it lasts.

Three main reasons why maintenance is so important...

PROTECTING YOUR HEALTH. The health of your family, and the environment. Household wastewater is loaded with disease-causing bacteria and viruses, as well as, high levels of nitrogen and phosphorus. When onsite systems fail, inadequately treated household wastewater is released into the environment. Contact with untreated waste can pose a significant health risk.

MONEY. Malfunctioning onsite systems are expensive to repair or replace, and ignoring routine maintenance is a common cause of system failure. The minimal amount of preventative maintenance that onsite systems require costs very little in comparison to the cost of a new system.

PROPERTY VALUE. A malfunctioning or unusable septic system can cause property values to decline. It can also make it difficult to sell the property.

For homeowner information on septic maintenance, please call (630) 553-9100 or click [here](#).

Every winter families must decide between

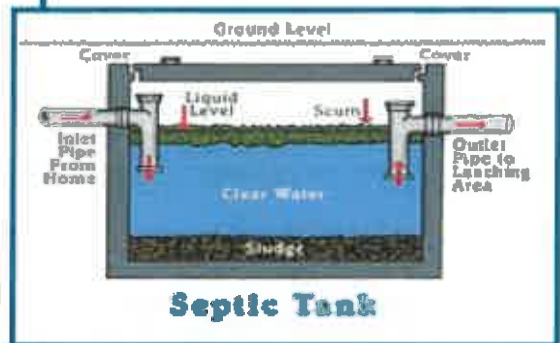


FOOD or **HEAT**

THIS WINTER WE SERVED 727 HOUSEHOLDS WITH ENERGY ASSISTANCE

I am so grateful that you guys came into my life when I needed you the most.

25% WERE SENIORS



Epilepsy Support Program



According to the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago, there are 65 million people around the world who have a diagnosis of epilepsy; 33% of which live with uncontrollable seizures because no available treatment works for them. Furthermore, 1 in 26 individuals in the United States will develop epilepsy in their lifetime and there are 150,000 new cases of epilepsy in the United States every year. In the Chicagoland area alone, it is estimated that there are over 130,000 people who suffer from epilepsy, and 50,000 people die from epilepsy-related causes in the United States every year. Sudden Unexplained Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP) is the sudden, unexpected death of someone with epilepsy, who was otherwise healthy.

The Kendall County Health Department is honored to provide services and supports for children, adolescents, and adults, and their families, impacted by Epilepsy. Our Epilepsy program is designed to help individuals and their families gain education about Epilepsy and learn how to both access and utilize local supportive resources. Services include comprehensive assessment and service planning, person centered counseling, and case management services. We also work to provide guidance and support on budgeting and money management. Additionally, we are able to serve as a liaison and support for coordination of medical services. Allow us to help you. For more information on the Kendall County Health Department Epilepsy Program please call (630) 553-9100.





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Mission Statement

The mission of the Kendall County Health Department is to promote physical health, mental health, environmental health, protect the community's health, prevent disease, and promote family economic self-sufficiency through both person based services and population based services.



Looking for something? Click [here](#) to see the Resource Directory.

Protecting Your Health from Climate Change Impact

Impacts of climate change can influence one's physical, mental, and/or socio-economic health and well-being. Such impacts include warming temperatures, changes in precipitation (flooding, drought), and increases in the frequency or intensity of extreme weather events (tornadic activity); they influence our health by affecting the food we eat, the water we drink, the air we breathe, the disease-producing insects we encounter, the structural damage to which our homes and business may be subjected.

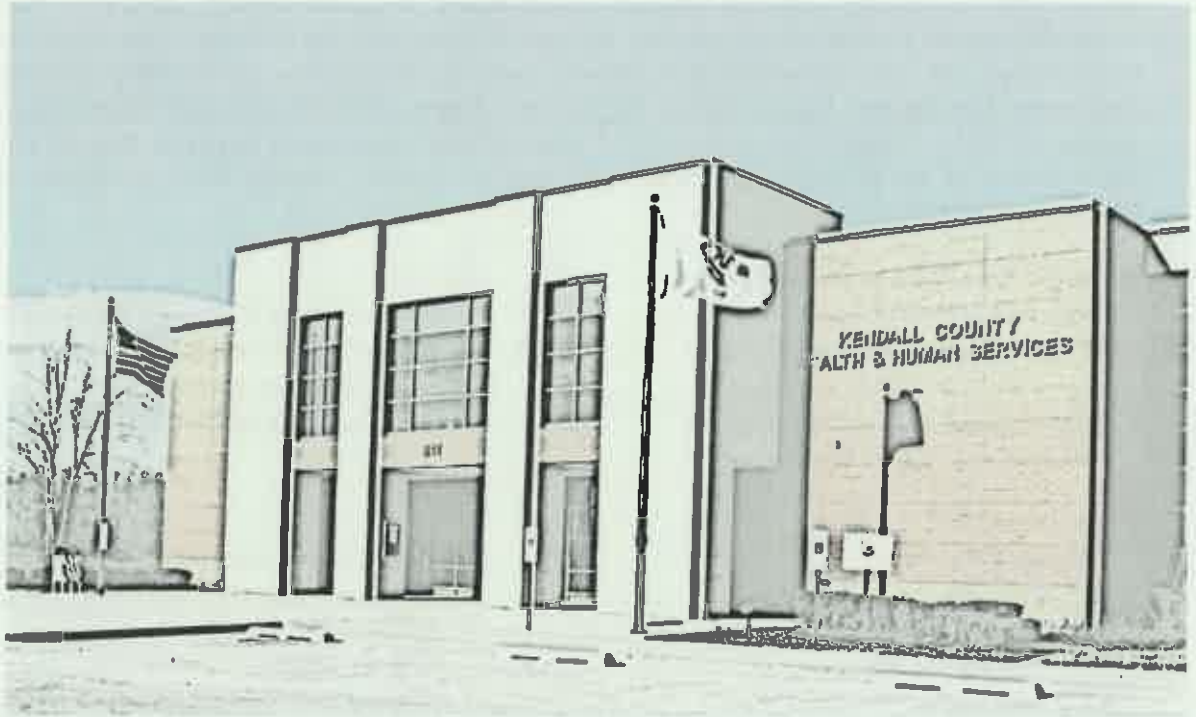


To this end, we are committed to expanding our knowledge on the public health effects of regional and local climate change, and sharing these learnings with our community. We do so as a participant in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's BRACE program, administered by our partners with the University of Illinois, Chicago, as the acronym represents, where we endeavor to **Build Resilience Against Climate Effects** (our community's resilience). Let us share with you our evolving learnings. To learn more

about BRACE, how climate change may be impacting you and your family, and ways in which you can best prepare for the health effects of climate change, please consider visiting our [Climate Change](#) webpage.



KENDALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT



2016

Annual Report

The mission of the Kendall County Health Department is to promote physical health, mental health, environmental health, protect the community's health, prevent disease, and promote family economic self-sufficiency through both person based services and population based programs.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MESSAGE

Precious Community Members,

Thank you for taking the time to open our Annual Report. Inside this report you will find informatics and narrative descriptions that reflect upon some of the diverse programs we offer to our community. For those of you, who may also be interested in a behind the scenes view of our Health Department, we would be honored for you to also open the Kendall County Health Department 2021 Strategic Plan ([Strategic Plan](#)). While the Annual Report emphasizes the delivery of program, the Strategic Plan works to ensure a quality organization with appropriate infrastructure to carry out sustainable, high quality programs throughout our community. The Kendall County Health Department Board of Health initiated its strategic planning process in January 2016 through February of 2017 with the final adoption of Strategic Plan 2021. We are deeply appreciative of the several department staff and community partners that contributed thoughtfully to the final details of the plan:

Strategic Plan Process Elements:

- *Why we Plan Dialogue
- *People Might not Know...
- *Communicate What we Do...
- *Stakeholder Interrelatedness
- *Mission and Vision Review
- *Branding and Logo Review
- *Assessing Environment
- *Identification of Priorities
- *Implement and Monitor

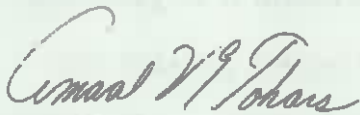
Integrated Plans:

- *Accessibility Plan
- *All Hazards
- *Community Action
- *Community Health
- *Cultural Equity
- *Executive Succession
- *Performance Management
- *Risk Management
- *Solid Waste
- *Workforce Development

Focused Strategic Priorities:

- *Community Communication
- *Fund diversification
- *Stakeholder Interrelatedness
- *Workforce Development

Peace,



Amaal V.E. Tokars
Executive Director/Public Health Administrator



BOARD OF HEALTH

Kendall County Health Department is led by a volunteer Board of Health who selflessly gives of their time and expertise in providing leadership and direction for KCHD. The Board of Health represents a high level of dedication and professionalism in the development and advancement of KCHD policy, promoting quality services in behavioral health, community health, environmental health and community action services. The Board of Health commits their time and energy in policy making, discussion of services and working with stakeholders in Kendall County.

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KENDALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT BOARD OF HEALTH 50TH ANNIVERSARY RESOLUTION STATEMENT OF APPRECIATION

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Kendall County Health Department Governance, held on the 20th day of September 2016, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the accredited and nationally-recognized Kendall County Health Department celebrates 50 years of dedicated community service; and

WHEREAS, these services are reflected in the dedicated staff/volunteers working in the diverse sectors of community action, behavioral health, environmental health, community health, emergency preparedness, and program support; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department has been recognized for fostering "a sense of respect for clients and employees"; and

WHEREAS, "the Kendall County Health Department is seen as collaborative, innovative, approachable, and transparent by those who work closely with the organization"; and

WHEREAS, "the organization is commended for its efforts in thoroughly assessing the needs of its community and responding proactively as evidenced by its community health assessment and strategic plan"; and

WHEREAS, "the Health Department has a dedicated, hardworking, competent executive leadership team that provides vision and strategic planning while fulfilling multiple roles to support the work of the organization"; and

WHEREAS, the staff/volunteers of the organization strive "to provide culturally competent services to an increasingly diverse community" and the Board of Health wishes to express humble gratitude for such caring dedication to community members;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Kendall County Board of Health officially expresses deep appreciation for past and present staff as well as volunteers on this 50th Anniversary year and wishes continued success for services worthy of every precious person served.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this the 20th day of September, 2016.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christina Cooper".

Christina Cooper
Board of Health President

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

PROGRAM SUPPORT/OPERATIONS

Amaal Tokars, Ed.D, Executive Director/Public Health Administrator
RaeAnn VanGundy, M.P.H., Operations Administrator
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Beckl Rudolph, Executive Assistant
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Kathy Lewis, Data Entry/Billing Specialist

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

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Carly Smitherman, M.S., Nutritionist/Case Manager
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Nancy Villa, Administrative Assistant
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Cruz Llamas, WIC Specialist

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Aaron Rybski, B.S., L.E.H.P., Director
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COMMUNITY ACTION SERVICES

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Dan Misener II, Energy Conservation Tech

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES/SUPPORT SERVICES

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INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

Jayne Ballun, M.S., M.P.H., Emergency Response Coordinator
Marlin Hartman, B.A., Solid Waste Coordinator
Sandeep N. Gaonkar, M.D., Psychiatrist, Mental Health Medical Director (Conventions Psychiatry & Counseling)

Joseph M. Nemeth III, M.D., Psychiatrist (Child & Adolescent)
Lorna London, Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist

INVALUABLE VOLUNTEERS

Sam Tessitore, Community Action Services
Karen Cotter, L.C.P.C., Mental Health Services
Carol Hernandez, Community Health Services

INTERN PROGRAMS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE FOLLOWING UNIVERSITIES

Northern Illinois University
Benedictine University
University of Illinois Chicago
University of St. Francis
Roosevelt University National Louis University

Illinois State University
Lewis University
Adler School of Professional Psychology
Aurora University/George Williams School of Social Work

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FINANCIAL REPORT

DECEMBER 1, 2015 – NOVEMBER 30, 2016

REVENUE:		EXPENDITURE:	
Levy & General Revenues		Personnel	
Operational Reserve	\$80,000	Program Support	\$567,203
Public Health Property Tax Levy	754,942	Community Action Services	364,014
Interest Income	3,863	Mental Health Services	630,696
Miscellaneous Income	39,781	Community Health Services	447,995
Coffee Revenue	555	Environmental Health Services	360,810
State Grant Health Protection	63,201	Total Personnel	2,370,718
Total Levy & General Revenues	942,342	Contractual & Client Assistance	
Mental Health Services		Dues/Subscriptions	11,454
Mental Health Counsel Fees	98,763	Conferences & Training	17,664
708 Mental Health Grant	801,900	Contractual Services	173,445
Mental Health Grants	103,575	Printing & Publications	5,848
Senior Citizens Fund Transfer	59,178	Telephone	5,697
Fox Valley United Way	21,150	Advertising – Other	7,090
Title III NEIAA Grant on Aging	11,461	Direct Client Assistance	1,578,478
State Grant Tobacco	36,998	Total Contractual/Client Assistance	1,799,676
DCFS Counseling	2,925	Other	
Total Mental Health Services	1,135,950	Postage	4,096
Environmental Health Services		Mileage	13,780
Septic Inspection Fees	16,525	Non-Medical Supplies	41,937
Restaurant Inspection Fees	195,980	Medical Supplies	2,943
Tanning Fees	2100	Vehicle Maintenance	1,015
Kendall Co. Well Permit Fee	16,900	Refunds	17,976
Climate Change	13,500	Rent to County Board	145,814
Solid Waste Fee	1,275	Contribution Demand from County Board	125,000
West Nile Virus Grant	28,323	IPLAN / CARE/ PHAB	17,205
Non-Community Well Grant	1,575	Adult/Travel Clinic Vaccine	12,288
Radon Grant	17,487	Miscellaneous Expense	2,270
Total Environmental Health Services	293,665	Psychological Testing Materials	99
Community Health Services		Solid Waste	1,000
Immunization Clinic	4,187	Total Other	385,423
Adult/Travel Clinic	18,860	Capital Expenditures	
State Family Case Mgmt. (FCM)	74,563	Capital Expenditures	27,389
Public Aid FCM	22,669	Total Capital	27,389
Public Aid Immunizations	10,631	Total Expenditures	\$4,583,206
Women, Infant & Children (WIC)	131,095	Revenues over Expenditures	\$8,054
TB Board Contract	12,022		
Flu Clinic	1,475		
Total Community Health Services	275,502		
Community Action Services			
Community Action Grants	1,766,033		
Total Community Action Services	1,766,033		
Emergency Response			
Emergency Response Grants	177,768		
Total Emergency Response	177,768		
Total Revenues	\$4,591,260		

(a) Operational Reserve is dedicated to the operational sustainability of health and human services.

(b) Includes \$51,976 for DASA-Public Aid, \$48,049 DASA State Grant and several other small grants.

(c) Includes \$1,256,123 for energy assistance, \$246,214 for home weatherization, \$255,664 client assistance, and \$8,032 for homeless prevention assistance.

Funding provided by Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity, Illinois Department of Health Care & Family Services, Department of Alcohol & Substance Abuse, Fox Valley United Way, Illinois Department of Human Services, Illinois Department of Public Health, Northern Illinois Area Agency on Aging, 708 Mental Health Board and local property tax levies set by the Kendall County Board.

Financial Summary 2016

Revenues



State Grant Dollars= 34%

Federal Grant Dollars= 21%

County Board Appropriations = 18%



708 Mental Health Dollars = 18%



Fee for Service Income= 9%



Operational Reserve= 2%

Expenditures



Population/Person-based Services = 52%



Special Family Assistance = 34%



Commodities/Tools = 8%



Contribution/Rent to County Board = 6%

COMMUNITY ACTION SERVICES

TOOLS FOR SUCCESS

WE KNOW WHEN FAMILIES ARE PROVIDED THE RIGHT PATTERN, TOOLS, SUPPORT, ADVOCACY, AND INFORMATION TO TURN THEIR LIVES AROUND THEY WILL SUCCEED

We believe everyone deserves a safe place to call home. We believe every child deserves a Head Start. We believe every youth has something to offer. We believe every family has the power to be self-sufficient. We believe nobody should go to bed hungry. We believe everyone should be warm at night. We believe in empowering people to help themselves. We believe we are responsible for providing the highest level of service to our customers. We believe in adapting to the community's needs. We believe in striving to achieve positive, long-lasting results. We believe in setting ambitious goals and evaluating our achievements. We believe in creativity and innovation. We believe in the strength of our customers to achieve greater stability. We believe every life has value. We believe our grandparents and your grandparents should be able to remain at home as long as safely possible. We believe that lack of affordable transportation should not be a barrier to individual independence. We believe in providing a comprehensive, life-changing service delivery. We believe we will put ourselves out of business someday. We believe in the power of community. We believe in the talent of our staff. We believe we can build a better community.

The Community Service Block Grant is the heart and soul of the nationwide network of over 1,100 Community Action Agencies. The grant funds are used to develop, coordinate, and deliver comprehensive programs and services designed to meet specific local needs. The following are programs that were provided to qualified households in 2016:

- *Employment: 13 Individuals received short-term financial assistance to enable them to secure permanent employment - \$15,176
- *Education: 5 eligible students were able to pursue post-secondary education. The funding removed financial barriers such as tuition, fees, and other related expenses - \$7,000
- *Drive to Success - 26 Individuals received financial assistance to maintain employment for auto repairs, title, insurance, etc. - \$15,000
- *Special Disaster Relief Funding for Coal City: 115 Coal City Families received emergency financial assistance after the June 2015 tornado - \$63,000
- *Emergency Services: 124 Families received assistance through crisis situation including: counseling, referrals, provision of food, shelter, rent, utilities, etc. - \$18,661
- *Helping Hand for School: 12 Families the goal of this program is to help children become successful in school - \$1,108
- *A total of \$119,945 was used to assist residents of Kendall and Grundy Counties.

ILLINOIS LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)

LIHEAP is designed to assist eligible low income households pay for winter energy services. LIHEAP will provide a one-time benefit to eligible households to be used for energy bills. The amount of payment is determined by income, household size, fuel type, and geographic location. LIHEAP also provides one-time reconnection assistance for households whose utility service has been disconnected for non-payment.

WEATHERIZATION

The Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program provides cost-saving energy service to qualified customers. Services offered through the Weatherization program include, but are not limited to: air sealing, insulation of attics, walls, crawlspaces, or foundations; repair or replacement of doors and windows; cleaning, tuning, repair or replacement of furnaces.



Drive-To-Success assisted a single, 55 year old female, Air Force Veteran to stay working. She needed a vehicle to keep her Substitute Teaching position she has held in a Kendall Co. School District for past 8 years. Christmas break was just starting and needed another vehicle before school resumed in January. A very nice one-owner 2005 Mercury Montego was donated - 123,000 miles, all leather, sunroof, new tires and battery. The vehicle was checked-out mechanically and oil changed. We were able to assist with the following expenses: renew her insurance for six months, oil change, Tax/ Title/Plates. **A total of \$710.83.** Happily, our client was able to return to her employment as school break resumed.



NOTES OF THANKS

*Dear Dan and Kendall-Grundy Community Action.
Words cannot express how grateful I am for your monetary assistance with my mortgage I so appreciate your support. Our Counties have wonderful, caring and compassionate people and I am honored to be a part of them. Please know this money will be helping out a lot my family and me thank you from the bottom of our hearts.*

There not enough words to cover the gift of the cars. I am still in shock. My son told me not to give up, somehow it would work out. It's perfect for me & such a wonderful car. Please know I really am so grateful & blessed. Thank you!

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

TUBERCULOSIS (TB) CASE MANAGEMENT/CLINIC

Our nurses offer education and counseling on both Latent and Active TB. It is required to report and treat only Active TB cases, but treatment is suggested for both. Through the rigorous management of both Active and Latent cases we are able to coordinate care with our partners, both Local and State, to provide and meet our client's needs. We provide Direct Observation Therapy (prescribed medications and respiratory isolation as needed) following state regulations. In 2016, we had 3 active known cases in and 15 known latent cases. Our clinical nurses also support a Tuberculosis Clinic, which supplied 210 TB tests to 171 individuals.

Educational outreach was provided to many of our school districts:

- ✓ Yorkville High School
- ✓ Plano Back to School Bash
- ✓ St. Luke's, Boulder Hill School Fair and other community partners such as:
 - ✓ YMCA
 - ✓ WSPY

This outreach assisted with Community Health Education targeting:

- ✓ Immunizations
- ✓ Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- ✓ Food borne illnesses
- ✓ Specific Health Issues:
 - Asthma
 - Elevated Blood Pressure
 - Diabetes, Obesity, Rabies
 - Travel shots

Professional seminars were provided to assist our colleagues in private medical practice to develop strong Tuberculosis (TB) policy and procedures. We also provided guidance on re-emerging infections such as Measles, Mumps, and Whooping Cough. Education was also provided on new emerging infections to Illinois such as Zika and Dengue.

Over 420 cases of infectious diseases were reported to Illinois Department of Public Health

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

The immunization program provided 820 vaccines to 259 infants and children through the Vaccine for Children's Program and 302 vaccines to 206 adults.

TRAVEL CLINIC

This clinic provides shots needed for travel outside of the United States, available upon request. Through access on our web page at Kendall County Health Department, individuals can complete an inquiry on their choice of destination and our clinician will review and call the individual back with needed immunizations and other pertinent information. We

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

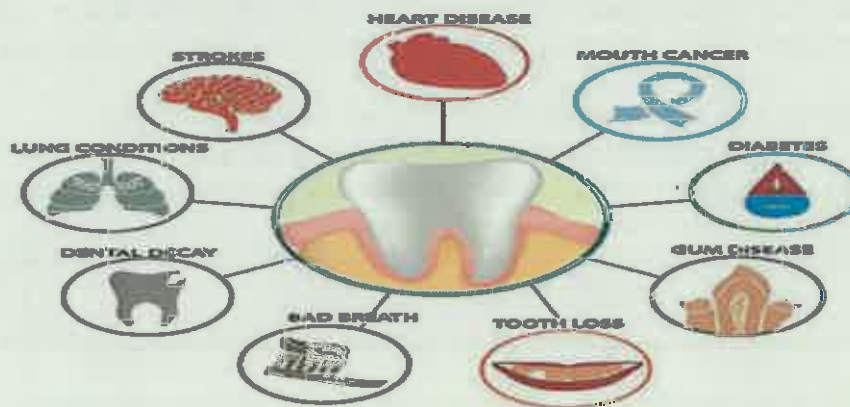
In June of 2016, Kendall County and Grundy County held a Full Scale Exercise with a scenario based on a release of Anthrax. The exercise demonstrated Kendall County Health Department's ability to respond to any public health emergency, especially the administration of prophylaxis, when necessary. Several volunteers assisted by participating in the process and the exercise was successful and assistive in securing a plan if a true emergency were to take place.

IMPROVING ORAL HEALTH CARE

The Kendall County Health Department's Community Health Services is committed to protecting the community's health and well-being, inspiring healthy lifestyle choices and preventing disease, including oral health. By promoting and assisting individuals to maintain their good oral health, and hopes to prevent a number of chronic diseases known to be associated with poor oral health.

KCHD is working toward implementing both direct client services and population based interventions in an effort to increase community population's opportunities for accessible and affordable oral health care for the residents of Kendall County.

WHAT PROBLEMS COULD POOR DENTAL HEALTH CAUSE?



STRATEGIES: IN PROGRESS

- ✓ Work on strong coalitions between community health and well-being boards, local authorities, state authorities, dental groups, hospitals, nursing homes, daycares and schools.
- ✓ Acquiring materials and equipment for a dental clinic.
- ✓ Improve informative outreach to the community to ensure that those without dental care have some form of access to appropriate urgent/emergency dental services.

STRATEGIES: IN PLANNING

- ✓ Advance Kendall County Community's knowledge on ways in which to achieve and maintain good oral health through educational presentations on good oral health habits and provide web-accessible information linking them to oral health care and oral hygiene education which includes tools and support aimed at promoting enrollment in dental insurance.
- ✓ Open an adult oral health clinic for ages 18-65 years' old that are uninsured.

2016 – 2021 IPLAN

September 2016, the Kendall County Health Department commenced with the implementation of a new five-year community health improvement plan, also referred to as IPLAN. The **2016-2021 IPLAN** serves to educate, motivate, inspire and empower our valued community members and families to pursue and maintain healthy lifestyle choices. This will be achieved by offering our community optimal opportunities for access to health care and well-being, while inspiring them to actively pursue and maintain healthy lifestyle choices and social well-being positively contributing to a common good and growing community spirit.

The 2016-2021 IPLAN is rooted in three thoughtfully selected health priorities representing health and well-being initiatives unduplicated in our current public health system and distinctive by innovation from efforts yet established in the local public health system. Originally selected through a participatory community engagement process, these three health priorities are diverse and reflect community-driven health needs. Also selected through community consensus, the three health priorities targeted are:

- *Increase community population opportunities for access to oral health care*
- *Decrease community population potential exposure to Lyme Disease*
- *Connect seniors to assets that reduce socio-economic duress and support mental health*

What follows are thoughtfully crafted objectives intended to "move the needle" on each of our valued priorities.

INCREASE COMMUNITY POPULATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACCESS TO ORAL HEALTH

Kendall County Health Department, by 2021, will endeavor to approach 100% of Kendall County dental offices and health centers to promote engagement in increasing access to oral health care for Kendall County's uninsured adult population and/or co-create participatory access to good oral health for the county's population. Additionally:

- *Will establish and offer an on-site dental clinic serving community adults lacking insurance*
- *Advance the Kendall County community's knowledge of ways in which to achieve and maintain good oral health by providing at least two annual educational presentations on good dental health habits to school-age children*
- *Serve the Kendall County community with web-accessible information linking them to oral health care and oral hygiene education which includes tools and support aimed at promoting enrollment in dental insurance*

DECREASE COMMUNITY POPULATION POTENTIAL EXPOSURE TO LYME DISEASE

KCHD will endeavor to decrease Kendall County residents' exposure to Lyme Disease by utilizing an awareness program to increase exposure-prevention behavior by 50% through five years utilizing a binary survey. Responses will be used to assess prevention-based behavior potential in county residents after presentation delivery. By 2012:

- *50% of county participants will display potential preventive behavior after program presentation delivery
- *Provide and promote tick and Lyme Disease information to the community. In doing so, up to four physician/veterinary clinics will be visited annually. During these visits, staff will distribute Lyme Disease awareness brochures and have brief discussion with our health providers, on the material
- *A minimum of two community presentations will be presented to county residents annually
- *A tick surveillance program will be developed with tick drags performed at three recreational sites per year; and population-based education and surveillance data will be updated at least annually, and made easily accessible to our community via a newly created tick webpage.

CONNECT SENIORS TO ASSETS THAT REDUCE SOCIO-ECONOMIC DURESS & SUPPORT MENTAL HEALTH

KCHD, by 2021, will assess 100% of the seniors utilizing KCHD for their needs as related to mental health, substance abuse, social isolation, and/or financial instability.

- *Additionally, a minimum of four presentations will be conducted annually to seniors, at local senior living facilities, senior centers, senior clubs and social gatherings, to raise awareness of and promote access to services, which address mental health, substance abuse, social isolation, and/or financial instability
- *Engage a minimum of four local public health system partners annually, including health care providers, staff of senior living facilities and senior centers, to raise awareness of and promote access to the same
- *Leverage the 24/7 accessibility of the internet (to include a webpage and corresponding social messaging, and the department's electronic newsletter) to prepare, promote and provide a senior-friendly community-wide resource for mental health and financial stability-related information and resources that may be informed in part by local public health system partners



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

ORDINANCE UPDATES

Health Department staff worked with various county colleagues, the Board of Health, the State's Attorney's office, Illinois Department of Public Health and the County Board on newly revised versions of its three core ordinances, retail food protection, private water supplies and private sewage disposal. All three ordinances needed quite a bit of work to bring them into line with new technologies and new state codes approved and implemented within the last several years.

The new Food Protection Ordinance in particular was developed with an eye towards the future with the newly adopted Illinois Food Code to be implemented in Kendall County at the end of 2017. Both this ordinance and this new code work in concert to provide necessary regulation of different aspects of the food service operation, all of which is intended to help ensure the safe and sanitary preparation and sale of foods.

FOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM:

Over the course of the year, Environmental Health Services worked to create a Quality Assurance Procedure focused on work performed across the food protection program. This procedure formalizes process currently in play and creates new processes. Staff ensured that this procedure incorporated concepts and requirements of the Illinois Local Health Protection Grant, FDA Retail Food Standards and the new Illinois State Food Code and Kendall County Food Ordinance. This work also required the creation and revision of several other procedures, focusing on administrative action and facility risk typing.

Work to implement the new Illinois State Food Code is already underway with a target roll out date set at January 1, 2018. This new code looks at food safety differently, utilizing a new inspections process and a new scoring system. Work to acclimate inspection staff and industry to this will be the focus in the coming year.

The food program again experienced moderate growth for the second year in a row, adding an additional 12 permitted and inspected food service facilities during 2016, bringing the total over 440 facilities.

WELL & SEPTIC PROGRAMS:

Staff continues to see a change in septic system types being permitted and installed with more alternative, smarter designs used on lots with compromised ability to utilize private sewage disposal. More dosing systems, aerobic treatment systems and systems using alternative technology were used in the development of both new lots and the repair of existing systems.

Some community residents are beginning to see wells at 500 to 600 feet going dry in several subdivisions throughout the county. More observation will take place in the coming years, but many drillers are already adjusting their depth estimates when looking at those areas. Staff has also continued to utilize our geographic information system and has now located approximately 1650 water wells across the county with global positioning system technology.

PREVENTING LYME DISEASE

In 2016, Environmental Health Services worked to create a deer tick surveillance program and enhance our existing tick educational programs. Through the year, this division has accomplished this and more!



SURVEILLANCE:

Up until this year, there had not been any formal tick surveillance performed in Kendall County. In fact, there is very little in all of northern Illinois. We worked with partners in Lake and DuPage Counties to build a tick drag and begin surveying local forest preserves where we collected and froze nine deer ticks.

We have worked to locate testing labs (and secure the funding) to test these locally collected ticks for the presence of Lyme Disease. This information will be used in our educational messages with our partners and the public in the future.

Education:

Education and outreach has long been a priority for the Environmental Health Services Unit. Throughout the 2016, we educated hundreds of people from various demographics on the dangers of Lyme Disease and how to protect themselves.



In 2016, Environmental Health Services provided Lyme Disease/Tick educational presentations to/at the following groups and events:

- Dickson Murst Farm Days (two events)
- Natural Resources Tour (presentations over three days)
- Kellogg Farm and Safety Camp – two presentations
- Doctor's Notes Series at the Oswego Senior Center
- Fox Valley Today and 107.1 FM WSPY radio two times
- Trinity Broadcast Network, "Joy In our Town" program
- Advisory Board presentations



MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

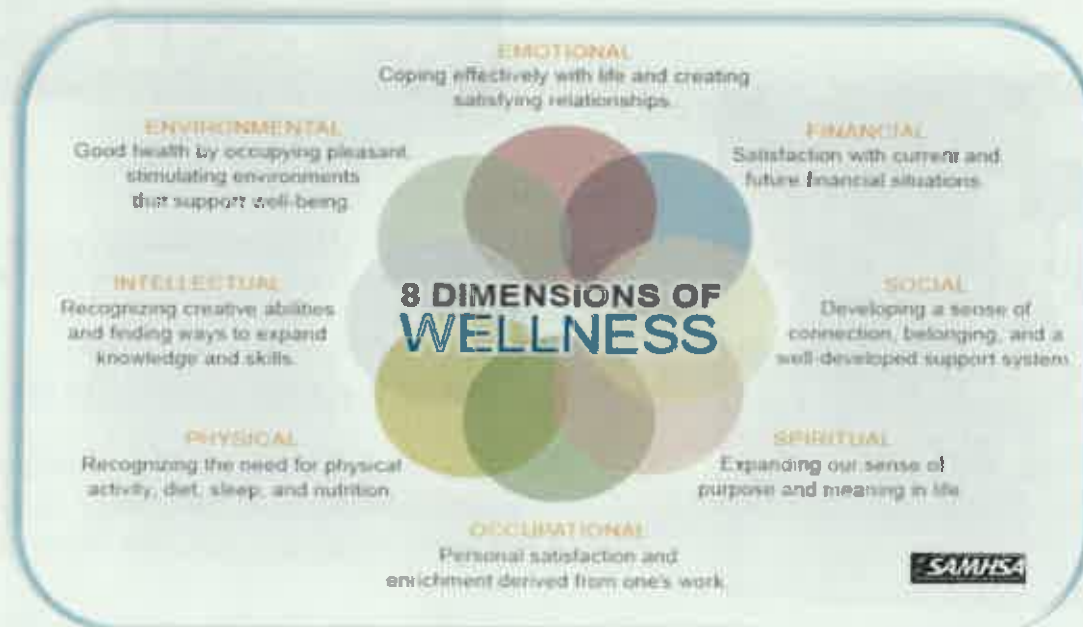
MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT & SUPPORT SERVICES:

Kendall County Health Department provides comprehensive and integrated mental health and substance abuse services that address the needs of youth and adults through counseling, prevention and diversion services, violence prevention, psycho-education. Clinicians understand the impact of high risk behaviors on individuals, families, and communities. Clinicians work to promote protective factors in treatment that will help facilitate meaningful change. Kendall County Mental Health Services Team has established strong working relationships and collaborations with Kendall County residents and stakeholders. As a result, there is a high level of trust and collaboration that occurs in the community to respond to mental health/substance abuse treatment and education/training needs.

3,350 Counseling Sessions were provided during 2016

78% of clients reported and showed progress towards identified treatment goals

2016 CLINICAL & SUPPORT SERVICES – PERSONS SERVED	
Outpatient Treatment (Includes Substance Abuse Services)	1,245
Transitions Elder Care	270
Crisis/Suicide Intervention	30



CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES:

Mental Health Services provides specialized services designed to promote health and wellbeing to those individuals who are involved with the criminal justice system and are experiencing mental health and/or substance abuse related problems. Services are provided at the Kendall County Health Department in collaboration with county, state, and federal probation services or at the Kendall County Jail. The intent is to maximize the individual's ability to function in the community, prevent relapse, prevent violence, promote success and reduce recidivism.



PREVENTION & DIVERSION:

Mental Health Services seeks to proactively address those risk factors that could lead to poor mental health, substance abuse, and violence. Through psycho-education and meaningful community engagement, efforts are made to promote protective factors emotional self-regulation, mental health resilience, healthy social connectedness, and refrain from criminal thinking/behavior.

- ✓ Youth Substance Abuse Education.
- ✓ Parent Education for youth involved with the legal system
- ✓ Drug testing for federal probationers.
- ✓ Critical incident stress debriefing for first responders
- ✓ Psycho-education groups to male and female inmates at the Kendall County Jail.
- ✓ Community education presentation and events
- ✓ Crisis and Suicide interventions

TREATMENT:

Mental Health Services provides effective client-centered treatment and substance abuse services to youth and adults who are involved with the county, state, and federal legal systems.

- ✓ Level I Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment.
- ✓ Level II Intensive Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment.
- ✓ Aftercare treatment and support.
- ✓ Individual substance abuse treatment to male and female inmates at the Kendall County Jail.
- ✓ Fitness restoration counseling.



Recovery

In 2016, Mental Health Services provided the following criminal justice services:

- ✓ 177 individual substance abuse treatment sessions at Kendall County Jail.
- ✓ Five sessions of youth substance abuse education, in collaboration with Kendall County Court Services, serving 56 individuals.
- ✓ Three sessions of parent education, in collaboration with Kendall County Court Services, serving eleven individuals.
- ✓ 25 psycho-education groups at Kendall County Jail serving approximately 60 individuals.

TEN ESSENTIAL SERVICES

All Local Health Departments, as governmental entities, derive their authority and responsibility from the state and local laws that govern them. Accordingly, all Local Health Departments exist for the common good and are responsible for demonstrating strong leadership in the promotion of social, economic and environmental conditions that improve health and well-being and prevent illness, disease and injury. However, in the absence of specific consistent standards regarding how Local Health Departments fulfill this responsibility; the degree to which the public's health is protected and improved varies widely from community to community.

- ✓ Monitor health status to identify community health problems.
- ✓ Diagnose and investigate identified health problems and health hazards in the community.
- ✓ Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues.
- ✓ Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems.
- ✓ Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.
- ✓ Enforce laws and regulations that protect and ensure safety.
- ✓ Link people to needed personal health services and ensure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.
- ✓ Ensure a competent public health and personal health care workforce.
- ✓ Assess effectiveness, accessibility and quality of personal and population-based health services.
- ✓ Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

KENDALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS A MEMBER OF THE FOLLOWING PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

✓ ACHMAI (Association of Community Mental Health Authorities of Illinois)	\$500
✓ CAP (Community Action Partnership)	\$625
✓ Community Behavioral Healthcare Association	\$810
✓ Companeros en Salud	\$50
✓ Grundy County Interagency Council	\$10
✓ IAPHA (Illinois Association of Public Health Administrators)	\$700
✓ ICAA (Illinois Community Action Agencies)	\$1,500
✓ ICAF (Illinois Community Action Foundation)	\$100
✓ ILCSWMA (Illinois Counties Solid Waste Management Association)	\$100
✓ IPHA (Illinois Public Health Association)	\$1,000
✓ Illinois Ventures for Community Action	\$100
✓ NACCHO (National Association of County & City Health Officials)	\$760
✓ NIPHC (Northern Illinois Public Health Consortium)	\$2,000
✓ Product Stewardship Initiative	\$1,000
✓ Kendall County Police Chief Association	\$100
✓ Illinois Council on Tuberculosis	\$80





KENDALL COUNTY

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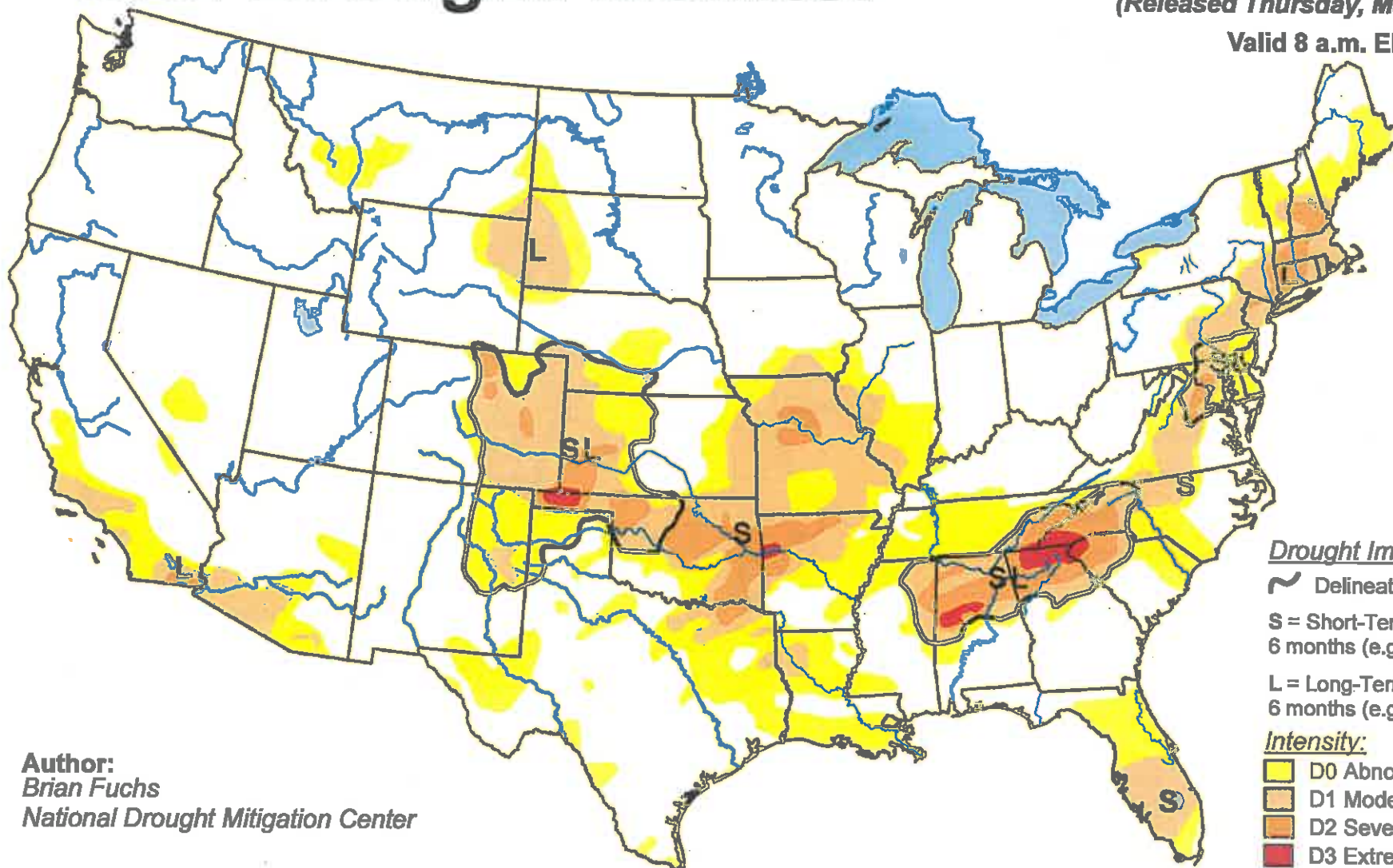
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U.S. Drought Monitor

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Drought Impact Types:

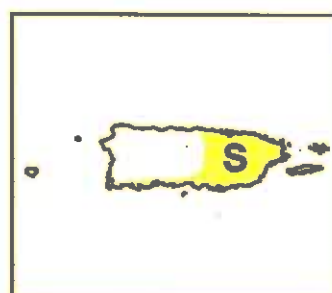
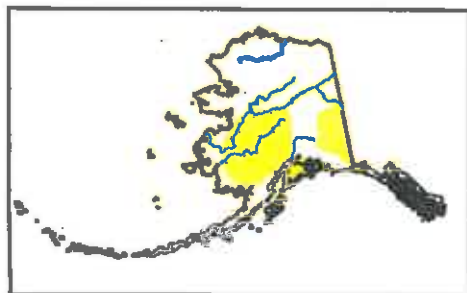
- ~ Delineates dominant impacts
- S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
- L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

Intensity:

- Yellow: D0 Abnormally Dry
- Light Orange: D1 Moderate Drought
- Orange: D2 Severe Drought
- Red: D3 Extreme Drought
- Dark Red: D4 Exceptional Drought

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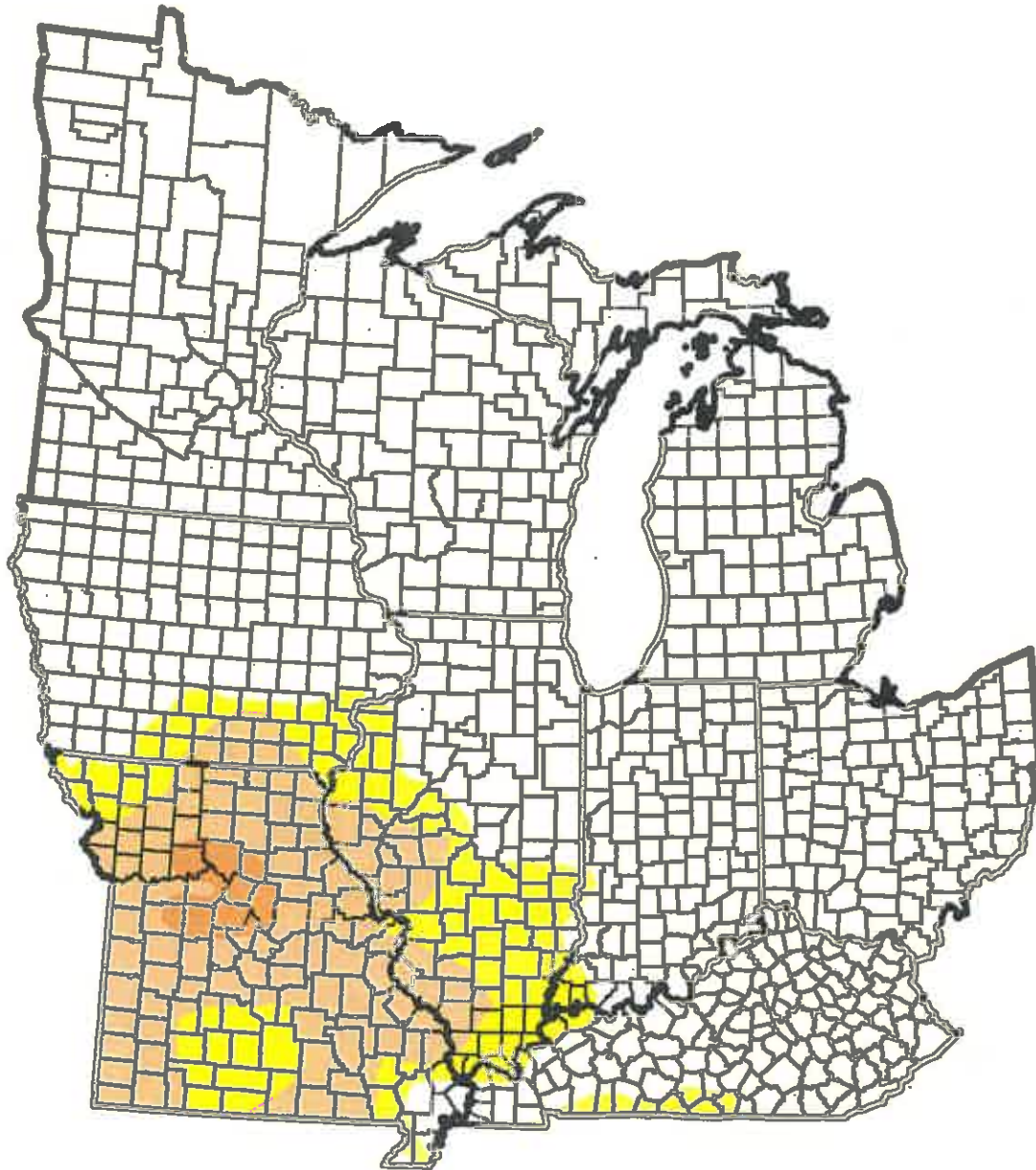
Midwest

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	77.33	22.67	13.22	1.15	0.00	0.00
Last Week 3/7/2017	76.74	23.26	13.22	1.15	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 12/13/2016	68.56	31.44	10.17	4.52	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 1/3/2017	78.75	21.25	4.45	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/27/2016	89.04	10.96	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 3/15/2016	97.80	2.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
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Kendall County



Farm & Safety Camp

Directed by: Kendall Co. Farm Bureau
Young Leaders & Kendall County Ag in
the Classroom Program

When: June 13th, 9am-4pm
(family dinner & fishing to follow)

Where: Kellogg Farms, Yorkville

Who: Youth 7-11 yrs. Old

Registrations due by May 5th!

Camp Activities May Include:

- Farm Machinery & Safety
- Livestock & Safety
- Hay Rack Ride
- Fire Safety/First Aid
- Insect/Nature Safety
- Food Fun & Safety
- Ag Olympics

Camp sponsored in part by a grant from Illinois Farm Bureau and Country Financial.

Kendall County Farm & Safety Camp

2017 Camp Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Mail To: Kendall County Farm Bureau
111 E. Van Emmon
Yorkville, IL 60560

Make Checks Payable to:
Kendall County Farm Bureau
\$20.00/participant

Shirt Size (Select one)
Youth: Med. or Large
Adult: Sm, Med. or Large

Participant Name (s)

Age

Primary Contact/Parent/Guardian:

Secondary/Emergency:

Name	Name
Address	Address (if different)
Town	Town
Phone (1)	Phone (1)
Phone (2)	Phone (2)
Email (for registration confirmation)	
Please list any food or environmental allergies as well as any medical concerns:	

Waiver of participant by parent or guardian: I hereby agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless the Kendall County Farm Bureau, Kendall County Soil and Water Conservation District, Kellogg Farms, and their respective employees, directors, and camp volunteers from any and all liability or damage that might occur during the participation of my minor child in the Kendall County Farm and Safety Camp. I understand that my child will be interacting with farm machinery, farm animals, and food products while at the camp. I grant permission to the Kendall County Farm and Safety Camp officials to utilize medical emergency services deemed necessary to treat any injuries that my minor child might incur.

Photo Release: I understand for promotional purposes photographs of participants will be taken throughout the course of the camp. I hereby release and permit Kendall County Farm & Safety Camp to utilize photography for said promotional purposes.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Former Campers Welcome! We will have new activities and experience for you!!!

Spring 2017



Conservation Connection

Kendall County Soil and Water Conservation

Board of Directors

Chairman:

Deanna Bazan

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Butch Konicek

Associate Directors

Anna Sutton

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Megan Andrews

Education Coordinator:

Jenny Wold

NRCS Staff

District Conservationist:

Mark Baran

Soil Conservationist:

Jen Hamer

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Kellogg Named Conservation Partner of the Year

The Kendall County SWCD board and staff members recently recognized Matt Kellogg as Conservation Partner of the Year. Kellogg started serving as a Board Director in 2002. During his 14 years of service, Kellogg assisted the SWCD in countless ways, including serving as Chairman of the Board for the past several years. During his tenure, he volunteered at oil collection events, county fair education activities, tree and fish sales, and visited classrooms as part of the Ag in the Classroom program. Additionally, he hosted many events at his farm including pond seminars and yearly farm and safety camps.

In addition to supporting the District through his involvement in activities and events, Kellogg also provided guidance and support to SWCD staff members throughout the years of his tenure. This included attending monthly board meetings, corresponding with other SWCD directors, and making contacts with legislators to support the mission and operation of the District.

In November, Kellogg was elected to serve as a member of the Kendall County Board. As a result, he relinquished his role as a director on the SWCD board. His dedication and service to the District and the county made him a simple choice for this year's Conservation Partner of the Year award. The staff and board members wish him luck as he begins a new chapter of service in the county.



Dan Reedy Named Education Partner of the Year

Dan Reedy, the Manager of the Kendall County Farm Bureau, was recently named "Education Partner of the Year." Dan has been actively involved in the Agriculture in the Classroom program for his entire tenure as Farm Bureau Manager. He has provided invaluable guidance to those serving as education coordinators, served on the education committee, created important program funding opportunities, participated in programming, and has worked to provide local teachers with opportunities to learn about agriculture. Additionally, he has worked to promote agriculture in the county through collaborations with organizations and entities. For everything he has done, he is more than deserving of this award. The SWCD staff and board members thank him for his dedication to agriculture literacy in Kendall County.





SWCD Upcoming Training Opportunity

Winter 2017 Erosion & Sediment Control Workshop

The Kendall County SWCD in partnership with the Village of Oswego is pleased to bring you our annual Soil Erosion Sediment Control Workshop. This year, our event will be on Friday, March 17th from 8:00am to 12:00 noon at the Village of Oswego. Speakers will share information, building on topics presented last year, focusing on:

- Current permit requirements & forms,
- Nutrient loss reduction strategy (NLRs) update,
- Best management practices, Dewatering and Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) to achieve soil stabilization and sediment control,
- Hands on Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) exercise and
- Inspections from an inspector's view.

PDUs will be provided. For additional information including how to register, please visit our website at: www.kendallswcd.org

SWCD Spring Sales

Fish Sale

Several species are available to stock your pond each Spring and Fall. Additional order forms are available online. The order and sale dates are as follow:

Triploid Grass Carp Orders: Wednesday, March 8th

Remaining Fish Orders: Wednesday, March 15th

Fish Pick-up: Thursday, March 30th at 10:00am



Tree and Plant Sale

Each Spring and Fall, trees and plants are available to purchase for conservation purposes. Order forms are available online.

Orders Due:
Friday, March 24th

Pick-up Date:
Friday, April 7th, 12pm-4pm



Partner Updates: *Natural Resource Conservation Service*

NRCS Financial Assistance

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) offers financial and technical assistance to help agricultural producers make and maintain conservation improvements on their land.

This is a brief overview of some of your conservation program options. For more information on these and all programs available, contact the Kendall County Field Office at 630-553-5821 Extension 3 or visit the Illinois NRCS website at <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/il/home/>.



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Large Potted: trees are 4-5' tall				Grasses: 1 gallon containers				
		Price	Quantity	Cost		Price	Quantity	Cost
1	Birch, River (multi stem)	\$39			27	Malden Grass Purple	\$12	
2	Birch, Whitespire (single stem)	\$ 35			28	Prairie Dropseed Grass	\$12	
3	Maple, Autumn Blaze	\$ 45			29	Karl Foerster, Feather Reed Grass	\$12	
4	Maple, Crimson King	\$ 35			Perennials: sold in 1 gal containers			
5	Maple, Sugar Fall Flesta	\$ 39			30	Astilbe (pink)	\$9	
6	Oak, Bur	\$ 39			31	Coreopsis, Zagreb	\$9	
7	Oak, Red	\$ 39			32	Daylily, Red	\$9	
8	Oak, Swamp White	\$ 39			33	Daylily, Stella D'Oro	\$9	
Small Potted: trees range from 10"-18" tall								
9	Maple, Fall Red	\$7			34	Daylily, Happy Returns	\$9	
10	Maple, Norway	\$7			35	Echinacea, Purple Coneflower	\$9	
11	Maple, Sugar	\$7			36	Hosta, Green & White Variegated	\$9	
12	Oak, Bur	\$7			37	Hosta, Blue Leaf	\$9	
13	Oak, Red	\$7			38	Rudbeckia, Black-eyed Susan	\$9	
14	Oak, Swamp White	\$7			39	Salvia, Purple	\$9	
15	Redbud, Eastern	\$7			40	Sedum, Autumn Joy	\$9	
16	Walnut, Black	\$7			41	Veronica, Blue	\$9	
Potted Evergreens: trees range from 8"-18" tall				Groundcovers: sold in trays of 24 plants				
17	Fir, Concolor	\$7			42	Sedum, Dragon's Blood	\$30	
18	Pine, Eastern White	\$7			43	Sedum, Bailey's Gold	\$30	
19	Spruce, Black Hills	\$7			TOTALS			
20	Spruce, Colorado	\$7			<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 30px; display: inline-block;"></div>			
21	Spruce, Norway	\$7			Orders Due: Friday, March 24th			
Shrubs: shrubs range from 12"-30" tall				Pick-Up: Friday, April 7th, 12pm - 4pm				
22	Sumac, Glabra Smooth	\$7			We kindly request payment accompany order;			
23	Dogwood, Bailey's Red Twig	\$7			we accept cash or check.			
24	Lilac, Common Purple	\$7			Please make checks payable to:			
25	Viburnum, Snowball	\$7			Kendall Co. SWCD			
26	Viburnum, Nannyberry	\$7						

Name: _____
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 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip Code: _____
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 Email

Please Note:

- * These plants are for conservation purposes only and shall not be used as ornamentals or for landscaping.
- ** We are not responsible for trees that are not retrieved on the pick up date above.

FOR OFFICE USE:

Date Paid: _____ Amount: _____ Payment Method: Cash / Check No. _____

Partner Updates: *Natural Resource Conservation Service*

EQIP – Environmental Quality Incentives Program

EQIP provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers in order to address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits such as improved water and air quality, conserved ground and surface water, reduced soil erosion and sedimentation, or improved or created wildlife habitat.

NRCS can assist if you want to address a resource concern on your land. NRCS will provide on-site planning assistance, discuss your goals, and evaluate the situation. We can explain how EQIP and other programs can provide assistance to address resource concerns. NRCS will work with you to develop a conservation plan that identifies your needs.

Interested producers can submit an EQIP application at any time; application forms are available at the office or on the Illinois NRCS website.



CSP – Conservation Stewardship Program

CSP helps agricultural producers maintain and improve their existing conservation systems and adopt additional conservation activities to address priority resource concerns. Participants earn CSP payments for conservation performance – the higher the performance, the higher the payment.

NRCS can assist you through the CSP process by explaining how CSP works and the requirements for the program.

Interested producers can submit a CSP application at any time also; application forms are available at the office or on the Illinois NRCS website.



NRCS Easements

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) also offers easement programs to eligible landowners to conserve working agricultural lands, wetlands, grasslands and forestlands.

ACEP – Agricultural Conservation Easement Program

ACEP provides financial and technical assistance to help conserve wetlands and their related benefits. Under the Wetlands Reserve Easements component, NRCS helps to restore, protect and enhance enrolled wetlands.

Just like EQIP and CSP, interested landowners can submit an ACEP application at any time; application forms are available at the office or on the Illinois NRCS website.





SWCD Updates and Information

Vegetative Filer Strip Tax Break

A filter strip is an area of permanent vegetation located between cropland or grazing land and an environmentally sensitive area, such as a stream. Do you have an existing filter strip on your farm ground? If so, would you like to reduce your taxes on your filter strip? For more information, contact our office.



Illinois Urban Manual

The Illinois Urban Manual (IUM) continues to be updated with new standards and information. The IUM is an ecosystem protection manual that includes not only soil erosion and sediment control practices but also practices related to storm water management and special area protection. This information is organized into different best management practice standards and specifications to address different resource concerns.



Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy

Efforts continue on implementation of Illinois Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy (NLRs). Want to know the most up to date news, efforts and available resources to date? Check out the following for more information:

- Visit www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/watershed-management/excess-nutrients/index to hear the most up to date news from the work groups.
- Check out Illinois Council on Best Management Practices to learn about water testing opportunities, local conservation stories, best management practices and more at: <http://illinoiscbmp.org>



2017 Used Oil Pick Up Event

The annual used oil pick up event is set to take place on Saturday, June 17th, from 8-11am at Grainco FS on Route 47 in Yorkville. If you have questions regarding the event, contact the office at 630-553-5821, ext. 3



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A Pond in Winter

An Article By Rob Miller, District Fisheries Biologist Illinois Department of Natural Resources

As the seasons change and the thermometer readings drop, life in the pond begins to slow down. And as the water cools and ice begins to form on the surface, changes occur.

The most significant of these is the effect ice-over has on the amount of dissolved oxygen in the pond's water. Ice forms a seal which prevents the exchange of gases at the pond's surface but perhaps more importantly, it has a marked effect on sunlight penetration which relates directly to the production of oxygen through photosynthesis.

Green plants which remain viable during the winter months, along with microscopic algal forms, can continue to produce oxygen as long as there is sufficient light. Photosynthesis can occur beneath the ice with as little as 10% of the available sunlight. However, as winter wears on and the ice becomes thicker, it gets more opaque which diminishes sunlight penetration. Add to this a layer of snow and soon the pond is completely dark and no further photosynthesis can occur. Five inches of snow over just three inches of clear ice blots out almost all available light. With no additional oxygen being produced, all processes beneath the ice which utilize dissolved oxygen continue to diminish the supply until ice-out occurs.

In most cases, ponds which have sufficient depth can "weather the storm" and come through normal winters without too much impact. In northern Illinois, ten to twelve feet is considered adequate depth. Ponds which are shallow, support excessive amounts of aquatic vegetation, have a large amount of organic sediment, or are compromised in other ways, are prone to winter-kills, or fish kills, which are caused by oxygen depletion.

Fish generally require a minimum of four parts per million of dissolved oxygen to ensure survival. Some species, like goldfish, carp and bullheads are more tolerant of less than ideal conditions. Bass and bluegills are extremely sensitive to low dissolved oxygen levels.

Recently, the winters in northern Illinois have been extremely hard on the fish populations of many lakes and ponds. Ice cover, which came on very early, was blanketed by heavy snow for several weeks which lead to oxygen-depletion issues and fish kills. Water bodies which had never experienced this event, many of which were relatively deep, reported die-offs as the ice finally retreated.

So what can a pond owner or lake manager do to prevent such a thing from happening? A simple way to reduce the potential for winter kill is to limit the amount of snow cover on the ice. By removing all or a good portion of the snow cover, sunlight penetration can be increased and photosynthesis enhanced. Mechanical aeration will keep the waters circulating and maintain an open water area. Warmer, less oxygenated water is drawn to the surface where it rapidly cools and absorbs oxygen. The freshly oxygenated water sinks and is replaced with warmer water and the cycle continues. This circulating water pattern keeps the pond water moving and re-oxygenates the pond. Note that cutting a few holes in the ice does not have the same effect and does little to offset oxygen depletion.

Most winter kills occur late in the season and the impacts are readily evident as the ice cover thaws. But if the kill occurred early in the season, the fish may have already decomposed by the time the ice goes out. As the water warms in the spring and reaches 50°, there should be evidence of fish activity. If you suspect that your pond may have experienced a winter kill, contact your county IDNR Fisheries Biologist and they will be happy to discuss restocking options with you.

**WE ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING A FALL 2017 POND EVENT WITH ROB;
BE SURE TO CHECK OUT OUR SUMMER NEWSLETTER FOR DETAILS!**



Education Program Updates and Opportunities

Local Teachers Receive Illinois AITC Grants

Several teachers from Kendall County received classroom grants from Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom this fall! These teachers were Kristine Wille from Yorkville Middle School, Kelli Springsteen from Thompson Jr. High in SD 308, and Amanda Zielske, Stacy Rehberg, Kristine DeGraaf, and Kelly Dorn from Lisbon Grade School.

These teachers will be able to buy books and other classroom resources to expand learning in plants, animals, food, natural resources, and much more! The Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom program offers grants each year for teachers. To learn more about them, visit www.agintheclassroom.org or contact Jenny Wold at kcagintheclass@gmail.com. Congratulations to all teachers selected for this year's grants!



Fall Poster Contest Results

This fall, the Ag in the Classroom program held a poster contest for 1st-4th grade students entitled "Seasons on the Farm." There were hundreds of entries from around the county. The following students were selected as outstanding entries for their grade levels:

- 1st Grade: Annalise from Cross Lutheran
- 2nd Grade: Frances Eclavea from Fox Chase
- 3rd Grade: Haven Nguyen from Lakewood Creek
- 4th Grade: Lilia Paetzold from Cross Lutheran



Spring Poster Contest

Soil is such an important natural resource to teach your students about. Get them thinking about it this spring by having them participate in our spring poster contest: Healthy Soils Are Full Of Life. This contest is being held by the National Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts as well as by the Association of Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Locally, it's being sponsored by the Kendall County Soil and Water Conservation District. To participate, have students design a poster to show the life that lives inside of and as a result of soil. Think bugs, worms, plants, animals, and much more! Introduce the idea of soil with a simple KWL on a flip board or white board or get the conversation started by bringing in a small pot of soil from outside and have students dig through it with tweezers to see what it's made of. After students have a good feel for what soil is and what life lives in it and because of it, have them design their posters on 8.5 x 11 inch paper with markers, colored pencils, or crayons. Make sure to have them include the title, Healthy Soils Are Full of Life, on their poster as well as fill out the contest entry form (included with this newsletter). Send poster to Jenny Wold, 7775A Route 47, Yorkville, IL 60560, by April 10th. Winners will be announced by Earth Day. The contest is open to k-12th grade and all winning entries will move on to the state level for judging. Prizes include gift cards, books, art supplies, pencils, etc. Contact Jenny at kcagintheclass@gmail.com with questions.

Education Program Updates and Opportunities

Graduate Course Opportunity for Teachers

If you are a teacher looking for a great graduate class, sign up for Summer Agriculture Institute, Part 2! This class is a great chance to see the science (and people) behind the food and drinks we enjoy. Participants will spend the majority of the course touring an array of factories, farms, distilleries, and other food related businesses. This course provides two graduate credits through Aurora University and counts as a graduate level elective in Science Education. It can also be taken for professional development hours.

This course will take place on July 11th-14th. The cost for graduate credit attendance is \$400/person. Cost for just professional development unit attendance is \$200. Cost includes many of the meals during the course as well as travel and tour costs. Farm Bureau members receive a \$20 discount on registration. For information on the course or to register, contact Jenny Wold by phone at 630-553-5821, ext. 3 or by email at kcagintheclass@gmail.com



Upcoming Teacher Workshop

Have you attended a Kendall Education Connection Workshop yet? If not, sign up for this one! The Kendall Education Connection is made up of educators from the Forest Preserve, Outdoor Education Center, University of Illinois Extension, Ag in the Classroom program, and Health Department. These groups work together to provide educational materials, trainings, presentations, and a variety of other resources to teachers, students, and schools. As part of this, they offer a free teacher workshop each spring. This year's workshop will focus on food science and nutrition. It will take place on March 16th, 4:30-6:30pm at MeadowHawk Lodge at the Hoover Forest Preserve. The workshop will provide 2 PDHs and is free. Contact Jenny Wold at kcagintheclass@gmail.com for more information or to RSVP.



Celebrate Agriculture

March 21st marks National Ag Day, a day set up to recognize and celebrate all that the agriculture industry provides us with. This year's theme is "Agriculture: Food for Life." So far this year, 2nd graders around the county have been learning how the agriculture industry provides our food. They have learned about the crops and animals produced on local farms as well as all of the products made from these crops and animals.

In the spring, students will learn how they can be involved in agriculture by growing their own food. Each student will be able to plant a vegetable that can be grown at home in a garden or container. Hopefully, through all lessons and activities this year in Agriculture in the Classroom, students will understand that their food starts off as plants or products from animals at farms or home and realize that agriculture should truly be celebrated and appreciated every day, not just on March 21st.





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PROCLAMATION
County of Kendall, Illinois
Rain Barrel Month
April 18, 2017
Resolution # _____ - _____

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Whereas, water is a valuable, limited natural resource; and

Whereas, municipal and rural residents in Kendall County depend on water for numerous home and commercial uses; and

Whereas, conserving and protecting water supplies is of benefit to all residents of Kendall County; and

Whereas, many residents are interested in methods to personally practice conservation of this valuable resource; and

Whereas, for every 100 square foot of roof area, one inch of rain generates approximately 60 gallons of rainwater runoff; and

Whereas, wasteful runoff of rainwater from homes and other buildings into storm sewers or other drainage ways can add to the damaging and overwhelming stormwater volumes in our natural waterways; and

Whereas, collecting rainwater is one type of best management practice to reduce stormwater runoff; and by redirecting and collecting rainwater runoff from buildings, it can be available for more productive, cost-efficient uses; and

Whereas, rain barrels are an economical, convenient method of collecting rainwater runoff for future uses; and

Whereas, The Conservation Foundation (TCF), in cooperation with local communities, such as Kendall County, promote the reduction of off-site stormwater runoff and best management practices to redirect and conserve rainwater; and

Whereas, TCF and Kendall County encourage homeowners and businesses to implement methods such as rain barrels to capture and efficiently use rainwater; and

Whereas, Kendall County endorses such best management practices to help protect our local water resources and wishes to promote the use of such practices to its residents;

Be it Hereby Resolved, the Kendall County Board proclaims the month of May, 2017 as *Rain Barrel Promotion month* in Kendall County.

Passed and adopted on this 18th day of April, 2017.

Scott R. Gryder, County Board Chair

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