The revenue for the Douglas County Health Department is divided into three sections. The first is the county levy we receive every year. This amount is based on the assessed values of the county and the percent requested. The 2017 levy was just 24% of the revenue that was utilized by the health department. This is a decrease of 3% from the 2016 revenue. Grants received from State, Federal, or Private funders accounted for 25% of the revenue for 2016. The section that provided the largest percentage of the revenues was fees at 51%. These fees are accumulated from services provided by the dental clinic, the nursing clinics, and the environmental fees; such as food, septic, and water permits. The Health Department is able to provide a variety services through the diversity of funding that is generated from the different programs.
Douglas County Medical Reserve Corp’s Senior Readiness Initiative

Located within the DCHD is the Douglas County Medical Reserve Corps. This organization is dedicated to developing and sustaining a more disaster resilient population throughout the community of which we serve. The MRC includes approximately 40 trained volunteers who are ready to respond during disasters and in times of need. In 2017, the DCHD MRC identified major preparedness capability gaps throughout our senior population. The MRC applied and received funding from the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO), and the Senior Readiness Initiative was developed. In 2017, MRC Volunteers assembled and distributed over 50 “emergency preparedness bags” full of essential items to seniors living in assisted living facilities in Douglas County. The MRC plans to make this initiative an ongoing event. For more information on the MRC, contact Molly Fearneyhough at 217-253-4137.

Summer Meals Program In Douglas County, IL

In our ongoing efforts to address food insecurity for area youth, we sponsored the Douglas County Summer Fun & Meals program for a second year. In 2017, we expanded our sites, volunteer base, services, partnerships, and fundraising efforts.

- We increased the number of feeding sites to five and served 9,099 summer meals in 2017. Meals were served to 496 youth 5-18 yrs.
- We quadrupled our volunteer base and raised $13,500 through fundraising and grants to fund activity supplies. A hot lunch was able to be provided to all sites everyday from Yoder’s Kitchen in Arthur. Gould Bus Service provided daily transportation of all 496 youth participants and unique educational activities were provided between breakfast and lunch, at each site daily. For more information Contact Summer Phillips at 217-253-4137

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- Summer Meals Site Expansions
- Caregivers Support Group
- Increased WIC Outreach
- Partnering for Drug Take-Back
- Mobile Dental Expanded
- ITFC SNM Poster Campaign
- Narcan Trainings & Kit Distribution
- Headstart Health Education Monthly
- Public Data Collection / Rec Center
- Public Data Collection / Transportation
- Daddy/Daughter Dance Fundraiser / SFS