

WDGPH 2023 Annual Performance Data Update

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Stay Well.

COVID-19 Emergency Response

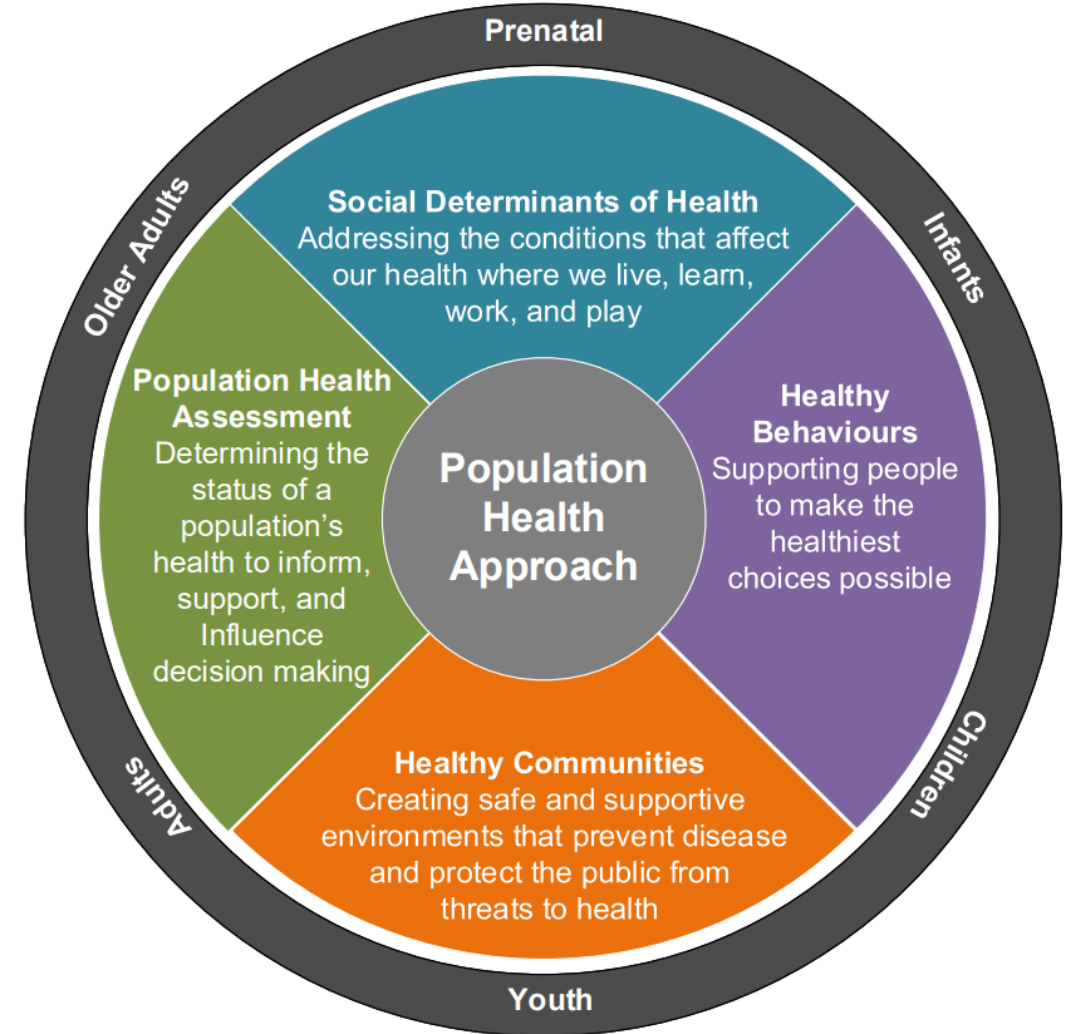
- **WDGPH led the local COVID-19 emergency response** and community safety initiatives throughout the pandemic
- **Over 311,000 COVID-19 vaccines delivered** through WDG Clinics alone from January 2021 to December 2023
- **WDG was the first jurisdiction to mandate mask wearing**



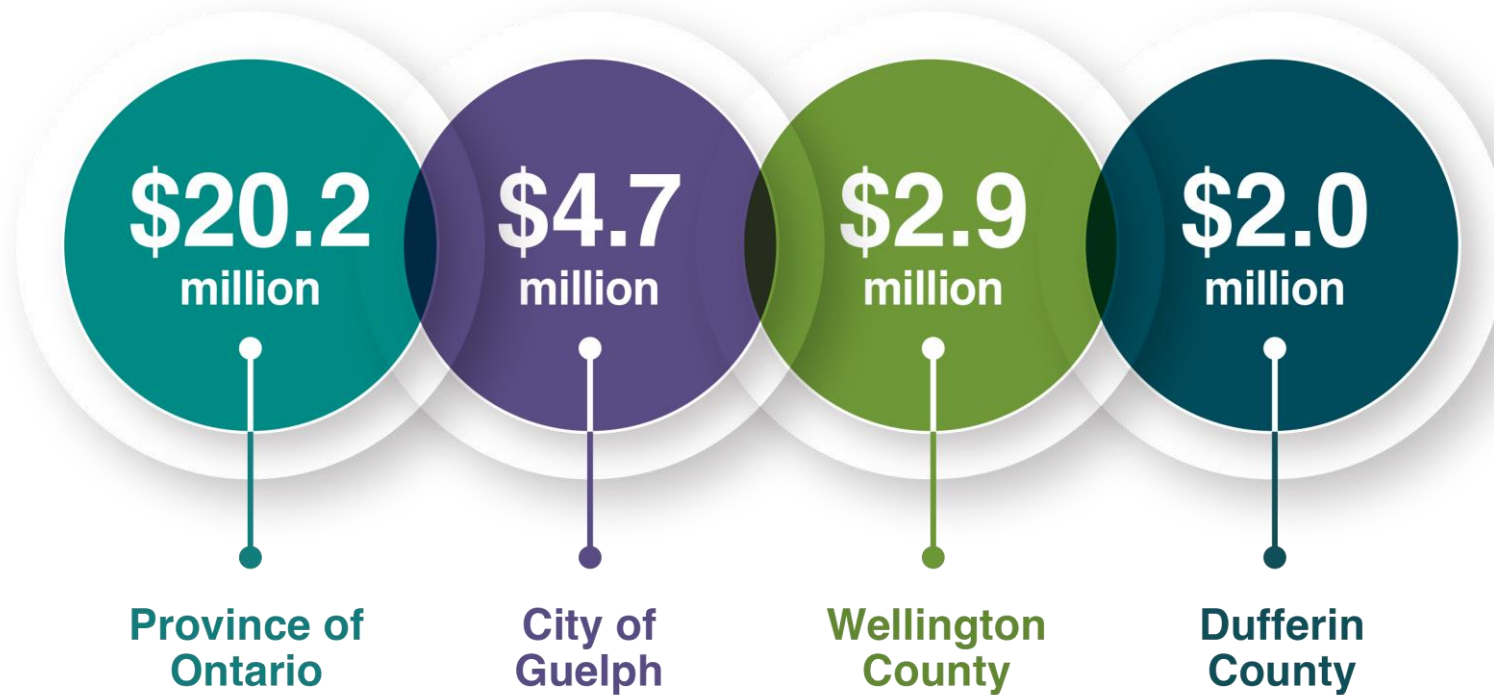
Who Are We?

Public Health enables communities to achieve their best health by:

- **Improving health and quality of life,**
- **Reducing morbidity and premature mortality, and**
- **Reducing health inequity among population groups.**



Financials



- **2023 total operating budget for WDGPH was \$30.3M**
- The municipalities of Wellington County, Dufferin County and the City of Guelph provide funding based on the population of each municipality relative to the total population of the region.
- In addition to the revenues presented in the visual, WDGPH received \$515k from other sources in the 2023 year.

Harm Reduction

- Managed 15 needle disposal bins located in Guelph, including 11 in the downtown core
- Distributed harm reduction supplies to 22 community partners across WDG
- Trained 196 individuals on the safe administration of naloxone

Healthy Babies Healthy Children

- Completed 30 prenatal, 1196 postpartum and 33 early childhood screens
- Served 104 families in 2023

Healthy Environments

Rabies

- Investigated 841 animal exposures (bites) in 2023
- Gave post-exposure prophylaxis to prevent rabies in 83 individuals

Safe Water

- 100% (75) of adverse water quality incidents responded to within 24 hours
- 60 Class A and Class B pools and 20 spas routinely inspected each year

Vectorborne Disease

- 103,000 catch basin treatments performed in 2023
- 3 West-Nile Virus positive mosquito pools identified

Immunization

Total Immunizations

- Administered over 42,000 doses of vaccines in 2023, including ~14,550 doses of COVID-19 and ~5,400 flu vaccines

Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA) – 2023/24 School Year

- WDGPH led 243 dedicated clinics during the 2023/24 school year
- Achieved 94% coverage for measles across elementary and high school students

Infectious Disease

Infection Control

Annually inspect:

- 453 personal service settings
- 64 before/after school care
- 73 full-service childcare centres

Complaint-based:

- 37 inspections following community complaints in 2023

Tuberculosis

- Measured a 96% increase in TB cases in WDG in 2023
- Assessed 125 individuals for TB medical surveillance and 320 individuals with latent TB infections
- 100% follow-up compliance for clients with Active TB disease, each taking 6+ months

Substance Use

Alcohol

- WDGPH worked with more than 14 provincial, regional and local organization/coalitions on alcohol-related projects in 2023

Cannabis

- Solicited and analysed 2081 complete responses for the 2023 Cannabis Survey

Tobacco

- Youth Test Shoppers evaluated 100% of all 184 tobacco retailers and 229 vape retailers in WDG

Substance Use (cont.)

Other Drugs

- Partnerships with Emergency Medical Services (EMS) expanded coverage of the FAST Overdose Alert Platform to 100% of the WDG region
- Improved timeliness of data to receive new information every 15 minutes with EMS partnership
- Supported two Health Alerts in response to concerning drug patterns in collaboration with Drug Strategy partners

SUCSESSES IN 2023

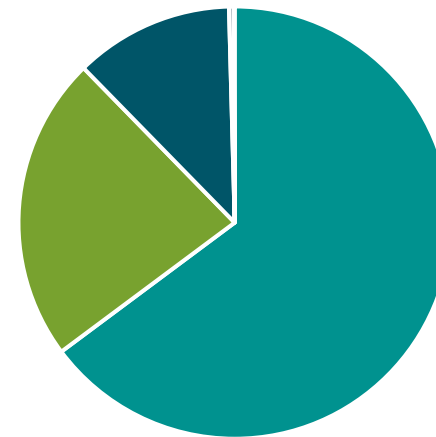


Search Facilities

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- **As of 2023, WDGPH discloses ~2,600 routinely inspected facilities on the Check Before You Choose (CBYC) platform**
- **In 2023, all 268 high-risk and 710 moderate-risk food premises were inspected regularly to ensure compliance**
- **Additionally, 272 investigations were completed based on food safety complaints received**

Check Before You Choose: Facility Types



- Food Safety (1689)
- Personal Services & Child Care (596)
- Safe Water (310)
- Recreational Camps (9)
- Consumption & Treatment Services (2)

Oral Health

Healthy Smiles Ontario

- In 2023, WDGPH saw 1,731 children under the age of 17 in preventive clinics
- 25% (435) of children seen in preventive clinics were identified as having urgent needs

Oral Health School Screening

- Over 14,500 eligible students in JK, SK and Grades 2, 4 and 7 were screened in 2023
- 476 (3%) of those screened were identified as having urgent needs

Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program

- The OSDCP had 2,269 total visits across 2023
- This program continues to expand, onboarding four new dental offices and one denturist last year



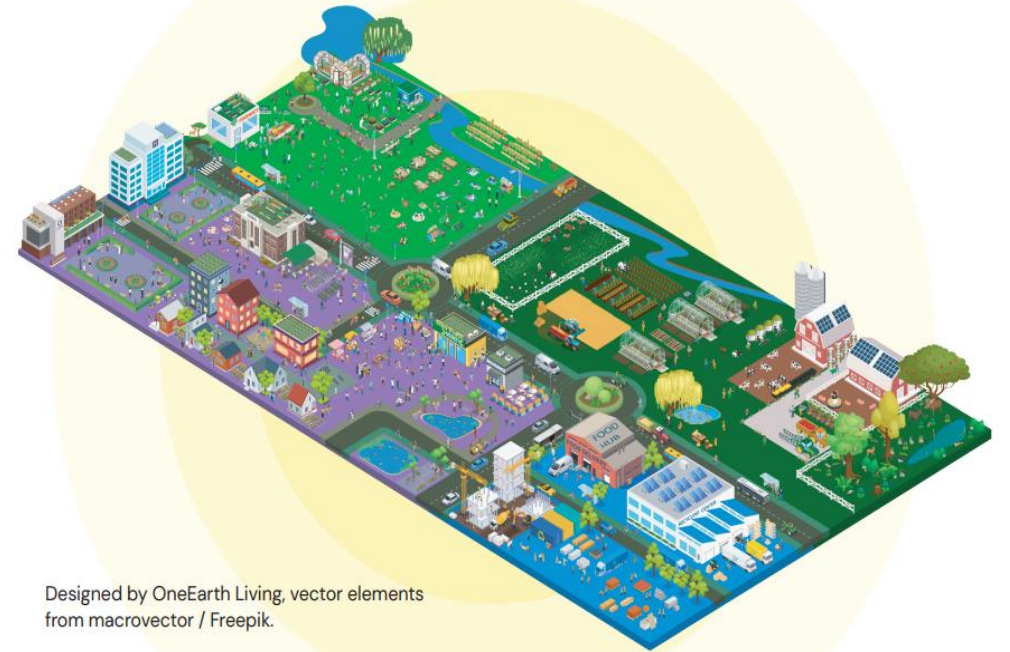
Smart Cities

- **Infrastructure Canada's Smart Cities Challenge** awarded \$10 million to the **City of Guelph and Wellington County** in 2019 to create Canada's first circular food economy



- **Our Food Future** initiatives, launched in 2020, have distributed more than **169,000 meals** to community members and recovered over **\$2 million worth of edible food** that would have been wasted

Recipe for a Circular Food System



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Our Food Future Annual Report 2023. Our Food Future. Retrieved May 28, 2024 from: <https://foodfuture.ca/wp-content/uploads/COG-SC-Annual-Report-Spread-Recipe-Circ-Food-Sys.pdf>

Nutritious Foods Workstream (NFW)

- **WDGPH led and oversaw the budget for the NFW**
- **NFW activities have allocated over \$415,000 across 48 actions to improve food access across Guelph-Wellington**
- **Over 80% of the geographic priority areas were reached by its programming in 3 years**
- **More than 50% of program participants agreed they had improved access to affordable, nutritious foods**

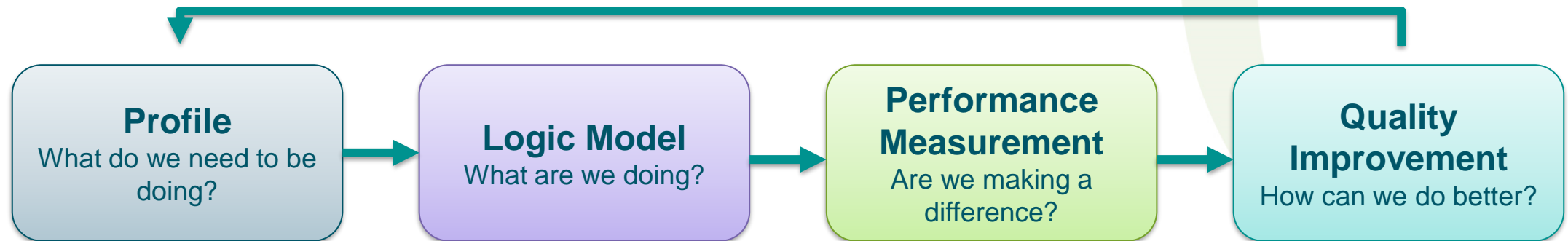


LOOKING FORWARD



Performance Measurement Philosophy

- WDGPH is accountable and reports to the Ministry of Health on the performance and outcomes of our initiatives
- To achieve this, WDGPH has implemented a Quality and Performance Framework across all Program Areas



Serving a Growing Community

GOALS

Improve health outcomes.



Focus on children's health



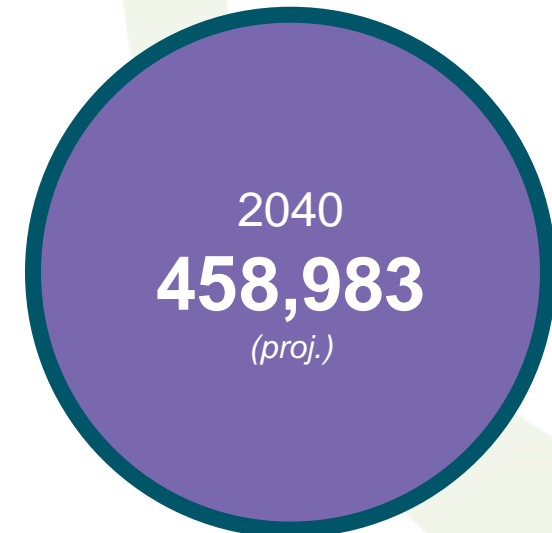
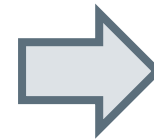
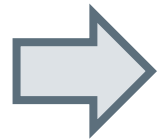
Build strong partnerships



Innovate our programs and services



Lead the way toward a sustainable Public Health system



Thank you

See wdgpublichealth.ca for more information and a link to our new 2023 Community Report!



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