



2025 Annual Report

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Public Health in Action

Communicable Disease Investigations



2023-942
2024-1802
2025-2229

Immunizations Given



2023-1,072
2024-925
2025-372

Tuberculosis



Skin Tests

2023-151
2024-165
2025-142

Rabies Exposure Investigations



2023-160
2024-196
2025-234

Pets Vaccinated



2023-741
2024-581
2025-648

Animal Control Officer Visits



2023-63
2024-45
2025-60

Evidence Based Program Participants



2023-36
2024-28
2025-28

Pounds Lost by DPP Participants



2023-360
2024-120
2025-210

Children with Elevated Blood Lead Levels



2023-36
2024-40
2025-42

Free Hemoglobin and Lead Tests



2023-74
2024-60
2025-78

Maternal Infant Home Visits



2023-14
2024-43
2025-4

Health Education Outreach Events



2023-45
2024-51
2025-90

Social Media Views



2023-129,683
2024-216,016
2025-314,588

Social Media Engagements



2023-25,480
2024-48,613
2025-2,989

Naturally Healthy App Downloads



2023-435
2024-635
2025-759

Children with Special Needs

Total Children Served

490

last year 497

Preschool Special Education Program

314

last year 261

Early Intervention Program

124

last year 113

Children with Special Healthcare Needs

25

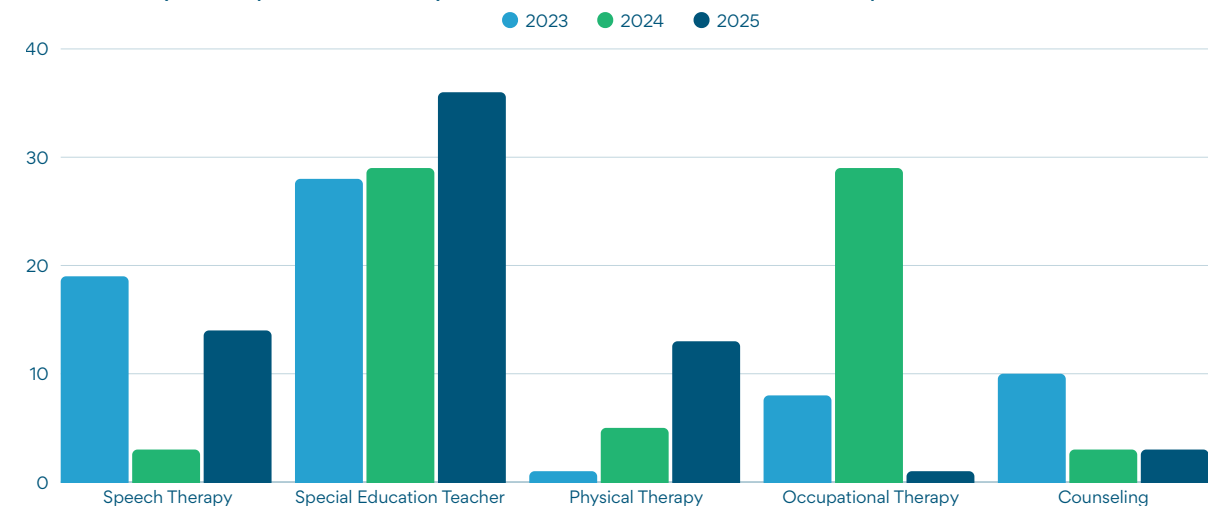
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Child Find Program

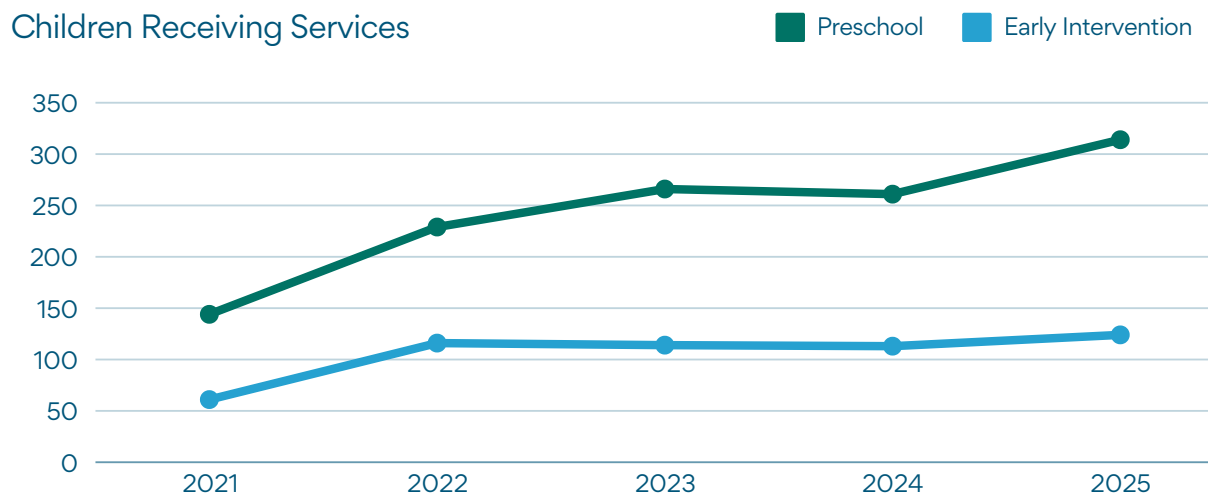
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last year 45

Wait List by Discipline for Early Intervention and Preschool Special Education



Children Receiving Services



Public Health in Action



To celebrate National Public Health Week, Public Health staff once again did a park clean up day at the Lewis County Fairgrounds. This is a great way for staff to give back to the community and also make an environment that is good for our health more appealing to community members.



The Suicide Prevention Coalition was very active in 2025. 109 community members were trained in how to identify and help someone at risk for suicide. Coalition members attended 9 outreach events throughout the year. 69 gunlocks and 4 medication lock boxes were distributed to community members to reduce lethal means. To celebrate Suicide Prevention Month, the coalition distributed 1090 packets of suicide prevention resources to local schools for staff to be better prepared to intervene if they encounter an individual at risk of suicide. 5,000 coffee sleeves with suicide prevention resources on them were distributed to local coffee shops and convenience stores, and 1,000 koozies with suicide prevention information on them were distributed to local hardware stores.



Public Health partnered with the Lewis County Fair as well as other community partners again in 2025 to bring the sensory room to the fair. This room provides overstimulated fair goers a place to take a break and reset from all the sights, sounds, and smells of the fair.



In March, Public Health brought an active classroom training to Beaver River Central School. This training helps ensure all children K-12 get at least 60 minutes of physical activity daily while at school.



In June, our very own Joe Austin, Fiscal Manager, was recognized as one of Northern New York's top 20 under 40. Joe is not only a great leader here at Public Health, but also very active in his community serving as the Lowville Fire Chief.

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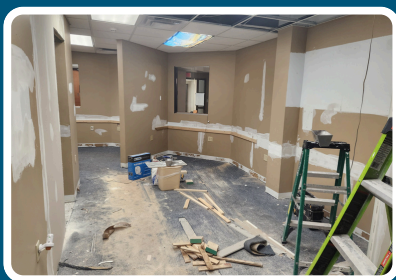
Public Health did a variety of health outreach events this year including Farmers Markets, The Fair, Senior Meal Sites, NRCIL Social Club, Farm Safety Day, Highway Safety Day, Mental Health Walk, National Night Out, OFA Senior Picnic, Fall Fest, Head Start Health Fair and others. Over 2,500 residents received education on a variety of important health topics. Ensuring our residents have the knowledge to do what is best for their health is one of the most important things we do here at Public Health. Pictures to the left show staff at a few of the outreach events we attended throughout 2025.



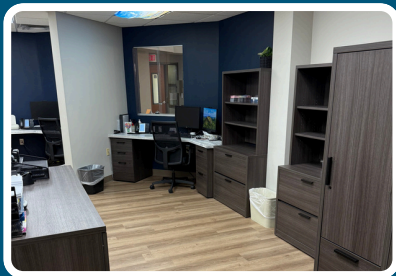
The Getting Ahead program graduated 18 people in 2025. These 18 people built resources to live a more stable life. 54 professionals were trained in Bridges out of Poverty. This training provides professionals with a better understanding of poverty and how to help those living in poverty.



\$2,525 in Fruit and Vegetable vouchers were distributed to individuals who completed one of our evidence based courses in 2025. This is helping local business as well as increasing access to healthy foods for our residents.



Along with community partners, Public Health completed a Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan in 2025. Top priorities to focus on for the next 5 years include housing, anxiety and stress, suicide, adverse childhood experiences, and smoking. Public Health will work with a variety of community partners over the next 5 years to address these top priorities.



Public Health was able to use Public Health Infrastructure Grant Funding to complete an office renovation project in 2025. Staff were consolidated from 3 different office spaces to one central location with a large conference room. Staff and clients appreciate the new paint, flooring, and furniture.