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Kalamazoo County Government Recognizes National Public Health Week 2022

KALAMAZOO, MI— National Public Health Week kicks off April 4-10, 2022, and the Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department invites all residents to join in the observance of the week.

National Public Health Week unites public health work in Kalamazoo County with the community by highlighting themes that emphasize the role of public health in promoting equitable and accessible health for all residents. During the week, the [KCHCS Facebook page](#) will focus on those daily themes that speak directly to the unique and pressing public health issues and social determinants facing Kalamazoo County and the nation. The themes can be found on the [National Public Health Week website](#) with information and resources about the topics and how residents can get involved.

Locally, Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department is working to ensure everyone has a chance to a long and healthy life. An important aspect of this is the Department's commitment to tackling the underlying causes of poor health and disease risk; causes that are rooted in how and where individuals live, learn, work and play.

"Public health plays a role in every aspect of our lives," says Deb Lenz, Acting Health Officer of Kalamazoo County. "We are always working, crisis or no crisis, to help ensure that everyone in the community has access to the resources they need to live a long, healthy life. Public health employees work tirelessly and are dedicated to helping our community. They build partnerships with the community and are driven by science, data, and information. Letting the data drive our work ensures quality programs and services are provided that meet the needs of our residents. I'm honored to work with a team who shows up every day to serve Kalamazoo County."

Public health workers from health departments across the country work every day to ensure their communities have access to the basic foundations necessary for good health – clean water, safe food, breathable air, and access to life-saving vaccines. The Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department's mission is to improve health for all residents of Kalamazoo County.

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More information about Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department, including how we celebrate public health every day, can be found at www.kalcounty.com/hcs. For details on National Public Health Week 2022 and its themes visit www.nphw.org.

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