



Notice of Public Meeting

AGENDA

Committee:	DHHS/Veterans Home Committee
Date:	Thursday, June 4, 2026
Time:	1:00 PM
Location:	3 rd Floor County Board Room, 407 S 2 nd Street, Alma, WI 54610
Remote Access:	Join the meeting now Meeting ID: 225 603 992 007 73 Passcode: A3zH7fP6

This meeting is open to the public, but portions of the meeting may be closed if this notice indicates that the committee may convene in closed session.

The following matters may be reviewed, discussed and acted upon at this meeting, and deviations from the order shown may occur:

1.	Call to Order
2.	Roll Call of Members
3.	Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance
4.	Approve Agenda
5.	Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
6.	Public Comment
7.	Election of Chairperson
8.	Election of Vice Chairperson
9.	Veterans Services Monthly Report
10.	Veterans Services Monthly Vouchers
11.	Public Health Report
12.	Public Health Annual Report
13.	DHHS Financial Update
14.	DHHS Monthly Vouchers
15.	Request to Fill Economic Support Specialist Vacancy
16.	Discuss Economic Support Specialist Funding Option
17.	RWC Working Capital
18.	Monthly Unit Reports
19.	Director Report
20.	Committee Chair Report
21.	County Administrator Report
22.	Correspondence
23.	Future Agenda Items
24.	Next Meeting Date and Time – Thursday August 6, 2026 at 6:30 pm
25.	Adjournment

Date: 05/28/2026

_____, Chair

Carri Renchin

By: Carri Renchin, Director

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Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: Health and Human Services and Veterans Service Committee

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, April 8th, 2026 @ 6:30 PM

Location: 3rd Floor County Board Room
Department of Health and Human Services
Buffalo County Courthouse
407 2nd Street, Alma, Wisconsin

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mary Anne McMillan-Urell called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Members present were Liz Hoffmaster, Carol McDonough, Mary Anne McMillan-Urell, Steve Nelson, Dwight Ruff, and Steve Schiffli

Excused Absence: Kim Beseler, John Hadley, Wendy Kleinschmidt

Others present for all or part of the meeting: Lee Engfer, Carri Renchin, Jamie Weaver, Misty Rustad, Felicia Decker

3. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION - PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING POSTED AGENDA ITEMS

None

4. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Liz Hoffmaster and seconded by Carol McDonough to approve the February 5th, 2026, draft minutes as presented. Motion approved.

5. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – VETERANS SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT

Ms. Decker shared the following updates for...

February 2026

- Hosted Coffee & Donuts with Veterans
- On 02/27/26, attended NW T/CVSO Training
- On the radio spot, recognized Lori Smolen.
- WDVA Secretary James bond stopped by for a surprise visit.

March 2026

- Benefits & Claims Fair for Veterans was held in Chippewa Falls with Dunn Co, Eau Claire Co, and Chippewa Co
- At Vietnam Veteran's Day Program, spoke to 200 vets & spouses about what services are available to them.
- Request to post a job opening for Admin Benefit Specialist.
- Ye Old School House donated \$7,000 to the Veteran's program

6. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION - VETERANS SERVICES MONTHLY VOUCHERS

Ms. Decker presented the vouchers for approval.

- A motion was made by Dwight Ruff and seconded by Liz Hoffmaster to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion approved.

Ms. McMillan-Urell read an email from a veteran that gave thanks to Felicia for all the work she did to help him get more benefits and backpay.

7. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT

Ms. Weaver shared the monthly numbers and the following updates for January through February 2026:

- There were 2 homes from Buffalo City that had high levels of nitrates in their water.
- Held Spring farm visits and gave tetanus shots and TB screenings (all negative).
- Jonah Hewitt, EHS, completed standardization with DATCP.
- Food allowance changes in WIC to include more fruits and vegetables. Kwik Trip is also starting to accept WIC.
- ATCP 72 lodging code revisions are live.
- Buffalo City is working on an ordinance in place to halt any new Air B&B's
- Worked with the new Corp Council to make any necessary changes to the Human Health Hazards ordinance. Will bring back to the June meeting for approval.
- April is Sexual Assault Awareness month. We partnered with Boltan Refuge House to have Dyllan Smith, the PH Educator, to make videos.

Mary Anne McMillan-Urell presented Steve Schiffli for his services on Health and Human Services and Veterans Service Committee from June of 2023 to April of 2026.

Carri Renchin and Felicia Decker also recognized Steve Schiffli for his services on the committee with a certificate, buffalo statue and chocolate.

Carri Renchin and Felicia Decker also recognized Mary Anne McMillan-Urell her many years of service on the committee with a certificate, buffalo statue and chocolate

8. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – DHHS FINANCIAL UPDATE

Ms. Rustad presented the financial updates for January and February 2026 for review.

9. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – DHHS MONTHLY VOUCHERS

Ms. Rustad presented the monthly vouchers for January and February 2026 for review and approval.

- A motion was made by Carol McDonough and seconded by Steve Schiffli to approve the January 2026 and February 2026 monthly vouchers as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Motion approved.

10. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – MONTHLY UNIT REPORTS

The monthly unit reports were available for review and discussion, no questions.

11. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – DIRECTOR REPORT

Ms. Rechin presented the following updates:

- Two counties will be leaving the WRRWC in 2027. These 2 vacancies will not be filled at this time.
- WREA adopted a flexible hours schedule for the call center. One of our employees switched to a start time of 7am.
- Assembly Bill 180 passed and was signed by Governor Evers in March. This will cover the increase in the state's share of administrative costs. \$16.1 million for additional DHS and county staff positions to achieve and maintain a FoodShare error rate below 6%.
- WHEAP – In 2027, there will be no ESI to serve Buffalo with overlaps. We applied for an additional \$50K to help cover costs.
- DHS Contracts – Federal awards were finally approved.
- CPS – Getting \$12K in leftover ARPA funding
- Older American's Act – increased by \$31K that is split between Pepin and Buffalo Counties.

12. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – WESTERN DAIRYLAND COMMUNITY ACTION

Mr. Ruff shared that the resource center in EC is having an open house that he will attend.

13. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Ms. McMillan-Urell thanked everyone for their support over the years on the DHHS/Veterans committee.

14. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Engfer shared the following updates...

- For any conflicts of interest for Corp Counsel, St Croix County will fill in on these cases.
- Veteran wall – lost 24 tiles so far. Met with a masonry person to discuss how to fix. Tile company told Mr. Engfer that the tiles should all be replaced which could cost up to \$50k. Mr. Engfer will bring more information including cost to the next meeting.
- Carri Renchin is doing a great job in her director role for DHHS.
- Felicia Decker is also doing a great job in the Veteran's department.
- Thanked Steve Schiffli and Mary Anne McMillan-Urell for their years of service on the DHHS/Veteran's Committee.

15. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – PUBLIC COMMENTS UNRELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

None

16. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION – NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 4th, 2026, at 6:30 PM.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Misty Rustad

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE



CVSO FELICIA DECKER-MONTHLY REPORT

NEWS/ APRIL-MAY 2026



NEW EMPLOYEE



**CVSO GRANT/CVSO SPRING
CONFERENCE
TRAINER**



RADIO SPOT-



EVENTS



MEMORIAL DAY

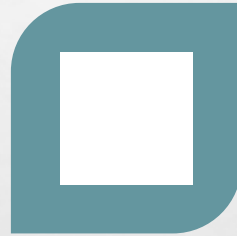
NEWS/ APRIL-MAY 2026



**COFFEE AND DONUTS
WITH VETERANS**



**VIETNAM VETERANS
DAY GUEST SPEAKER**



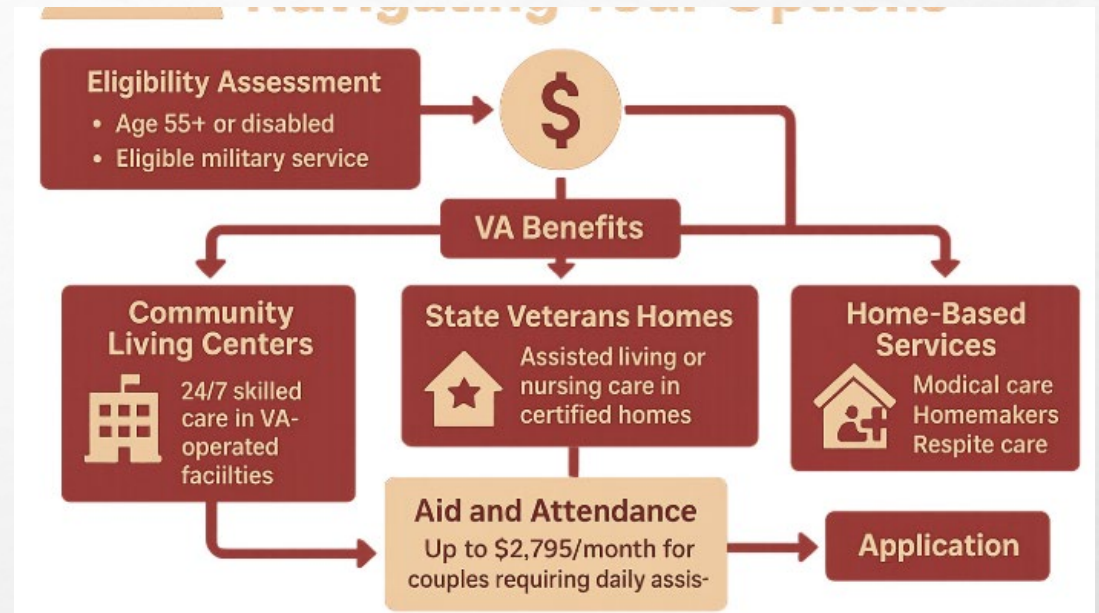
VOUCHERS



STATS

**RADIO SPOT
102.3 WHTL
APRIL/MAY**

- **SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @9:15**
- **APRIL : ASSISTED LIVING/AIDE AND ATTENDANCE**
- **MAY: HONOR FLIGHT AND PROMOTING THE VFW FUNDRAISER**



NEW STAFF: MARK JOHNSTONE

- **MARINE VETERAN**
- **NOTARY**
- **IT GUY**
- **MEDICAL AND SECURITY BACK
GROUND**



MONTHLY EXPENSE REPORT

APRIL/MAY 2026

- **CELL PHONE \$102.00**
- **CVSO GRANT:12,300.00**
- **HOTEL STAY: 545.00**
- **SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION 175.00**
- **FLAGS AND MARKERS: WAITING ON INVOICE**

Veterans Services				
Grant 2026 Received 4/10/2026				\$12,300.00
	Budget	YTD Spending	YTD Remaining	Remaining
Telephone .225	\$650.00			0.00%
Maintenance Contract .248	\$900.00			0.00%
Office Supplies .310	\$300.00			0.00%
Postage .311	\$125.00			0.00%
Stationary & Forms .312	\$0.00			0.00%
Equipment .314	\$0.00			0.00%
Computer Expenses .316	\$0.00			0.00%
Subscriptions .320	\$100.00			0.00%
Advertising .321	\$100.00			0.00%
Copies .322	\$0.00			0.00%
Dues & Licenses .324	\$300.00			0.00%
Registration Fees .326	\$1,000.00			0.00%
Training .327	\$250.00			0.00%
Mileage .331	\$200.00			0.00%
Board Mileage .332	\$0.00			0.00%
Meals .337	\$450.00			0.00%
Lodging .338	\$1,800.00			0.00%
Miscellaneous .991	\$250.00			0.00%
Totals	\$6,425.00			0.00%
Non Lapsing Balance	\$13,122.27			
Veterans Relief Flags & Markers 100.34.54710.341.0000	\$3,650.00		\$3,650.00	100.00%
Committee Per Diem .141	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Non LapsingBalance			\$13,122.27	

MONTHLY EXPENSE REPORT APRIL/ MAY 2026

Buffalo County Veterans Non Lapsing Account						
Category	Amount out	Amount in	Business	Reason	Date	Total
Fuel Cards	\$100.00		CVSO		3/14/2025	\$1,909.22
						\$1,809.22
Rental Assistance						
Mortgage Assistnace						
Utilities						
	\$411.00		BW	Water Bill	2/5/2025	\$2,320.22
	\$346.00		BS	Energy Bill	6/23/2025	\$1,713.22
	\$52.72		SM	Energy Bill	6/23/2025	\$1,660.50
	\$510.82		SM	Efuel Assi	6/23/2025	\$1,149.68
	\$1,130.99		TDA	Fuel/Housing	9/29/20:	\$3,318.69
	\$443.00		JK	Court Fees	2/4/2026	\$8,375.69
	\$290.00		RS	Ambulance	2/4/2026	\$8,085.69
	\$450.00		LL	CourtFees	2/26/2026	\$14,635.69
	\$186.92		SEM	Fuel/Housi	2/26/2026	\$14,438.77
	\$143.99		SEM	Ambulenc	2/26/2026	\$14,294.78
	\$291.71		SEM	Water/Sev	2/26/2026	\$14,003.07
	\$80.80		SEM	Medical Bi	2/26/2026	\$13,922.27
	\$400.00		SEM	Storage bil	2/28/2026	\$13,522.27
	\$400.00		SEM	Completed	3/3/2026	\$13,122.27
Auto Repair						
Homeless Veterans						

- **VETERAN AIDE : \$ N/A**
- **VFW GRANT \$N/A**
- **GIFT CARDS:\$N/A**

NON LAPSING ACCOUNT :13,122.27

STATS: APRIL 2026

Walk ins: 32
Point of Contacts :

Phone Calls: 306

Forms : 209
Claims: 21
Appeals:35

Home visits 0 / Outreach
3 / events 2

STATS: MAY 2026

Walk ins: 33
Point of Contacts :

Phone Calls: 255

Forms : 160
Claims: 21
Appeals:34

Home visits 0 / Outreach
2 / events 2

2026	Phone	Walk Ins	Appointments	Home Visits	Monthly Totals	Claims	Appeals	Forms	Forms/2 Vet ID	Outreach	Events	Financial Benefit Increase
January	228	37	44	2	311	20	16	154	7	2	2	
February	300	47	67	0	414	29	33	337	6	2	2	
March	350	38	88	0	476	28	33	238	5	3	2	
April	306	32	87	0	425	21	35	205	4	3	2	
May	225	33	50	0	308	21	34	157	3	2	2	
June					0							
July					0							
August					0							
September					0							
October					0							
November					0							
December					0							
Column Totals:	1409	187	336	2	1934	119	151	1091	25	12	10	\$ -

NEW YEAR TO DATE DATA 2026

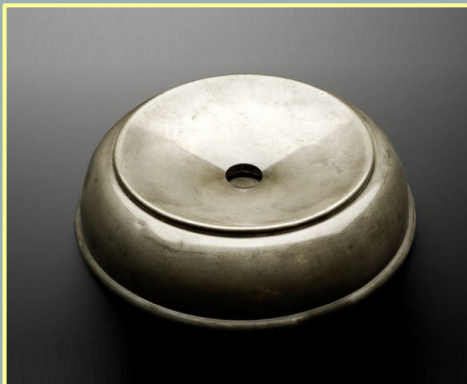


PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT

Reporting Period: March 1st – April 30th, 2026



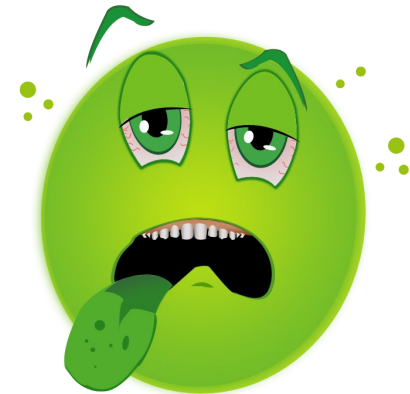
100 Objects that
Shaped Public
Health
Object 6:
Spittoons



Once common in homes, train stations, saloons, and even Congress, were used for spitting—mainly by men chewing tobacco. Typically made of brass or porcelain, they served as a place to discard saliva and phlegm. By the late 19th century, concerns grew during a global tuberculosis outbreak, as scientists realized spittoons could spread disease—especially when people missed them. Public health efforts followed: spittoons were removed from some public spaces, anti-spitting campaigns emerged, and laws were passed in parts of the U.S. banning spitting. By the mid-20th century, spittoons had largely disappeared from public use.

MONTHLY NUMBERS

- Human Health Hazard Complaints: **1**
- Animal Bites: **1**
- Lead Investigations: **0**
- Communicable Diseases:
 - Campylobacteriosis: **2**
 - Carbon Monoxide Poisoning: **2**
 - Chlamydia Infection: **4**
 - Cryptosporidiosis: **1**
 - E.coli (EPEC): **3**
 - Gonorrhea: **1**
 - Hepatitis C, Chronic: **1**
 - Lyme Disease, EM rash: **1**
 - Lyme Disease, Lab Report: **2**
 - RSV-Associated Hospitalization: **3**
 - Syphilis: **1**
 - Tuberculosis (LTBI): **1**
 - WIC:
 - Total Participants/Month: ~ **119**
 - Total Families/Month: ~ **67**



MONTHLY NUMBERS

- Transient Non-Community Water System Samples:
 - Routine sampling (bacteria and nitrate): **9 facilities**
 - Follow-up sampling: **1 facility**
 - Level 2 assessment (completed when multiple samples are bacteria-positive.) **0**
 - Sanitary surveys: **3 facilities**
- Public Facility Health & Sanitation Inspections:
 - Food & Retail: **13**
 - Lodging: **8**
 - Campground: **3**
 - School Inspections: **0**
 - Re-inspection: **1**
 - Pre-inspection: **2**
 - Complaint: **1**
- Water Samples:
 - Bacteria: **25**
 - Nitrate: **9**
 - Arsenic: **4**

+ Total Coliform Bacteria	0 High Nitrates 1 High Arsenic
1 sample	31.6 PPB
Buffalo City	

UPDATES

- Human Health Hazard Ordinance status: Pending
- Facility Inspection Surveys
- 26-27 Immunization funding
- 2026 Public Health Workforce Assessment launched via WI DHS

QUESTIONS?

Is there additional information you
would like to see in the public health
report?





2025 Annual Report

**Buffalo County
Health Department**

Our Mission

To empower individuals, families and communities to live well by preventing disease, protecting health and assuring safety while encouraging independence. The mission will be achieved using proven scientific evidence and clinical expertise.



Our Purpose

Health departments provide public health protections in several areas, including preventing the spread of communicable disease, ensuring food, air, and water quality are safe, supporting maternal and child health, improving access to clinical care services, and preventing chronic disease and injury – these are known as the Foundational Areas. The infrastructure needed to provide these protections strives to provide fair opportunities for all to be healthy and includes eight capabilities – known as the Foundational Capabilities.

Foundational Public Health Areas:

Communicable Disease Control



- Surveillance & investigation
- Animal bites
- Immunizations

Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention



- Well Women Program
- Harm reduction
- Tobacco prevention
- Health promotion
- Rural farm visits

Environmental Health



- Agent of the State
- Water testing
- Radon
- Lead
- Human Health Hazards

Maternal, Child & Family Health



- Botvin Life Skills
- Youth mental health
- WIC
- School health

Access & Linkage to Care



- Reproductive health clinic
- Referral to clinical care
- Linkage to insurance
- Healthcare meetings
- Nursing services & consultation

Foundational Public Health Capabilities:

1. Assessment & Surveillance

- Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
- Community Health Assessment (CHA)

* Revised Every 5 Years

* Conducted Every 3 years

2. Equity

3. Organizational Competencies

4. Community Partnership Development

5. Emergency Preparedness & Response

6. Accountability & Performance Management

7. Policy Development & Support

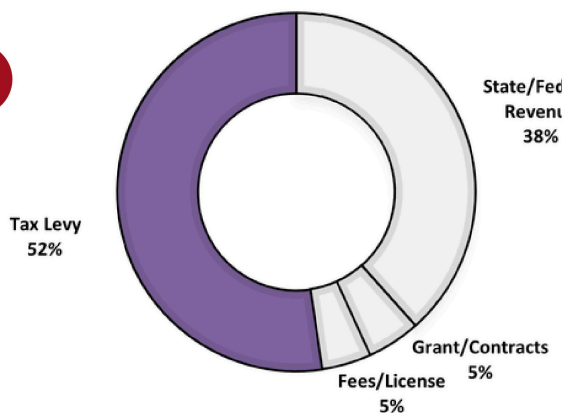
8. Communications



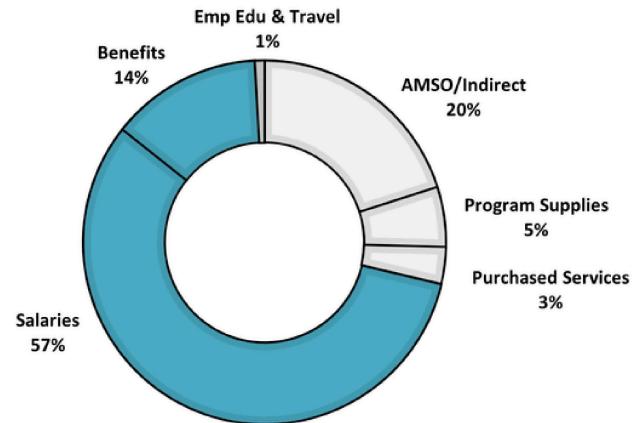
2025 Budget

In 2025, tax levy revenue accounted for just over half of Public Health's total funding, and was the primary funding source supporting staff salaries and benefits, which represent the largest portion of 2025 program expenses and directly enable service delivery.

REVENUE \$345,365.91



EXPENSES \$345,365.91



2025 Public Health Unit

Jamie Weaver, Health Officer / PH Supervisor



Dyllan Smith, Public Health Educator



Sara Thielen, Public Health Nurse Jonah Hewitt, Environmental Health Specialist

Carri Renchin, DHHS Director

2025 Health and Human Services & Veterans Committee Members

Elected members:

Mary Anne McMillan Urell - Chair
Dwight Ruff
Carol McDonough
Steven Nelson
John Hadley

Appointed members:

Wendy Kleinschmidt
Steve Schiffli
Kim Beseler
Liz Hoffmaster

Communicable Disease Prevention and Control

Under Wisconsin Statute DHS 145, all reportable communicable diseases must be reported to local public health agencies for investigation, control, and prevention. Reporting is conducted through the Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS) and supported by timely provider communication.



Sara Thielen, Public Health Nurse, promoting community services

68% of 2 year-olds up to date on vaccines

18 TB tests administered in 2025

87 Vaccines for Children in 2025

Infection	2023	2024	2025
Anaplasmosis	7	3	11
CO Poisoning	1	0	0
Babesiosis	1	1	3
Campylobacteriosis	7	21	19
Chlamydia	17	11	22
Cryptosporidium	4	3	6
E. coli (EPEC)	8	21	0
E. coli (STEC)	4	3	3
Gonorrhea	4	3	0
Hepatitis B	0	0	0
Hepatitis C	0	2	2
Influenza-hospital	2	6	0
Lyme Disease	46	49	49
Pertussis	0	6	1
RSV-hospital	1	2	0
Salmonella	1	4	3
Invasive Strep (A)	5	2	1
LTBI	2	1	0
Tuberculosis	0	0	0
Syphilis	2	2	1
Toxoplasmosis	1	2	0
Vibriosis	0	1	1

Communicable Disease Stats

This table summarizes select communicable disease case reports for Buffalo County residents received over a three-year period. Lyme Disease, Campylobacteriosis, and Chlamydia continue to be the most prevalent infections within Buffalo County.

Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention

Harm Reduction Efforts

68 Deterra Drug Disposal Bags Distributed

3 Narcan Education events (37 attendees)

Sharps Disposal bin for Mondovi City Hall

37 Med Lock Bags Distributed

120 6th grade students participated in “Escape the Vape” educational series

Public Health partnered with Law Enforcement on a grant to support the safe disposal of used sharps. The project included five temporary collection sites, held over two weekends, as well as the purchase and installation of a new permanent sharps collection bin.



What Good did it Do?

104 Narcan Kits Distributed

145 Pounds of Used Sharps Collected

66 pounds of unwanted medications collected



Dyllan Smith, Public Health Educator, educates on vaping risks.

Public Health participates in the WI Wins program, a research-based initiative that reduces youth access to tobacco through positive reinforcement of retailers who do not sell to minors. In 2025, two local high school students conducted 17 tobacco compliance checks, with only one retailer failing the check.

Environmental Health



Public Health acts as an agent for the State of Wisconsin DATCP by licensing food and recreational establishments. We also serve as an agent for the Wisconsin DNR to protect public health by ensuring safe water at transient non-community wells, including those at bars, restaurants, churches, and similar facilities.

Food & Recreational Safety	Drinking Water Safety & Lab Analysis
• Ensure compliance of 237 <u>licensed facilities</u> • Annual Inspections • Complaint Inspections • Pre-Licensing Inspections • Consultation/technical assistance • Temporary food and campground inspections	• State of WI Certified Water Lab • Drinking water sample analysis for private wells • Ensure compliance of 58 Transient Non-Community water systems • Follow up on unsafe drinking water results • Technical Assistance



Public Health pictured with AHEC intern, Abbie Stangl.

Public Health partners with Scenic Rivers AHEC to place students pursuing rural healthcare careers. In 2025, Abbie inspected licensed vacation rentals, helping to increase the overall number of routine inspections completed to 231.

Environmental Health



Buffalo County Public Health has a CLIA certified lab that provides in-house bacteria testing and partners with UW-Oshkosh to analyze arsenic and nitrate samples.

To improve testing convenience, kits are placed at Mondovi City Hall, Buffalo City Municipal Building, and G-Mart in Gilmanton.

218 private wells tested for coliform bacteria

13.3% of private wells were positive for Total Coliforms
n = 29/218

CLIA sets standards for result accuracy, reliability, and timeliness.

The EPA's maximum contaminate level (MCL) for nitrates is 10 mg/L or 10 ppm.

54 private wells tested for nitrate

7% of private wells exceeded the MCL for nitrate contamination
n = 4/54

Lead Testing



Wisconsin testing recommendations: all children should get two lead tests by age 2. Ages 3 to 5 should get tested if they have no record of a previous test. The Public Health Nurse provides home visits for results at 5 mcg/dL or above.

30 Radon Test Kits Provided

12 Animal Bite Cases



6 Human Health Hazard Investigations

Maternal, Child, and Family Health



In 2025, Public Health received the Social Connectedness grant to promote youth social connection following the pandemic and hosted “Birdhouse Mania,” an event bringing children and families together to decorate birdhouses and connect with peers and family.

Public Health promotes adolescent wellbeing by delivering the Botvin LifeSkills curriculum to students in grades 3–5 across all four public schools in the County. In 2025, the program reached 480 students. Botvin is an evidence-based program that prevents substance abuse and violence while building self-esteem, healthy attitudes, and essential life skills.

WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) program

The WIC program is offered to Buffalo County residents in partnership with Trempealeau County. WIC provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and supplemental food to families at or below the poverty level. For a family of 4, this would be an annual income of less than \$59,478.

WIC connects clients with WI farmers. Clients can get a voucher to spend at local markets. In 2025, \$1,650 was redeemed by Buffalo – Trempealeau clients.



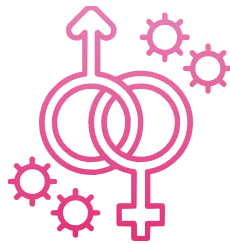
Access & Linkage to Care

Public Health operates a reproductive health clinic. The essential services offered at this clinic include:

- STD testing and treatment
- Pregnancy testing
- Contraceptive assessment, education, and initial access
- Health insurance eligibility screening and enrollment aid for FPOS (Family Planning Only Services)
- Menstrual hygiene resources and education
- Referrals to medical providers



In response to a 2022 rise in Toxic Shock Syndrome, Public Health distributes "period packs" with hygiene supplies and TSS prevention education to local high schools. In 2025, 90 packs were distributed for student use.



In 2025, the Public Health Nurse provided education at Alma and CFC schools on STD prevention, birth control, and healthy relationships, in partnership with the school nurse.

Foundational Capability

Community Partnership Development

Public Health builds and sustains community partnerships by actively participating in local events to promote programs and share resources.

At the 2025 County Fair, staff distributed 24 water test kits, 10 radon test kits, 40 tick kits, 24 cans of OFF! repellent, 100 condoms, and more.

Partnership engagement also included participation in National Night Out, the ADRC Resource Fair, and Drug Take Back events, strengthening relationships across the community.



Foundational Capability

Emergency Preparedness and Response

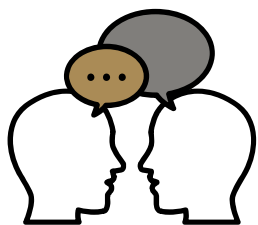
As required by WI Administrative Code, DHS 140, local health departments are required to participate in emergency preparedness and response.

We meet this requirement by:

1. Maintaining a Emergency Preparedness Response Plan
2. Participating in preparedness exercises.
3. Communicating and coordinating with health care providers, emergency service providers, and other agencies that respond to disasters, outbreaks or emergencies.
4. Issuing and enforcing emergency health orders, as permitted by law.
5. Implementing strategies intended to protect the health of vulnerable populations during a disaster, outbreak, or emergency.



2025 Preparedness Table Top Exercise on Flooding. Attendees included multiple County stakeholders and departments



Foundational Capability

Communications

Public Health strives to keep the local community informed with the latest health information while promoting resources and education on key topics and trends impacting public health and safety. Means of communication can include press releases, social media platforms, published articles, and community presentations.

In 2025, the Health and Human Services Facebook page received 5,100 site visits, generated 2,800 interactions with posted content, and gained 118 new followers.

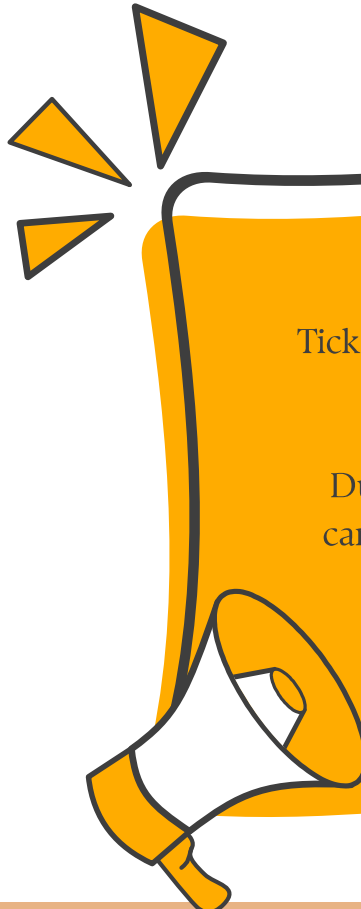
Assessment and Surveillance

The Buffalo County Health Department leads initiatives to improve the overall health of the community. These efforts are guided by the Community Health Assessment (CHA) and the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP).

The CHA is conducted every three years and informs the development of a five-year improvement plan. In 2025, Public Health worked with a State Data Strategist to finalize the CHIP plan and get it ready for implementation.

The priority areas identified for the 2026–2030 Community Health Improvement Plan are:

- Prevention of sexual and dating violence
- Education and prevention of Lyme disease



Upcoming CHIP Initiatives in 2026:

Tick drag sampling to identify the presence of Lyme disease-carrying ticks.

During Sexual Assault Awareness Month, campaigns will promote education, reduce stigma, and share support resources.

(Not an all-encompassing list)



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for a Successful 2025!

This Annual Report is compiled and will be submitted to the WI Department of Health to satisfy the statutory requirement: DHS 140.06 (2)

(a) By May 1, a copy of the annual report submitted by the local health officer during the previous year, as required by s. 251.06 (3) (h), Stats.

(b) Public health data, in a format prescribed by the department.

Respectfully submitted:

Jamie Weaver, REHS, LRA

Buffalo County Health Officer/ Public Health Supervisor



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	BUFFALO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES											
2	STATUS OF 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET											
3	REPORT THROUGH APRIL 2026											
4	PERCENT OF YEAR: 31%											
5	ACCOUNT TITLE	2026 ADOPTED BUDGET		Y-T-D		Y-T-D REMAINING BUDGET		PERCENTAGE OF BUDGET USED				
6		REVENUE	EXPENSE	REVENUE	EXPENSE	REVENUE	EXPENSE					
7	County Property Tax	891,478.00		148,579.67		742,898.33	-	17%				
8	State/Federal Revenue	2,761,491.00		425,437.28		2,336,053.72	-	15%				
9	Local Revenue/Local Refunds	374,343.00		103,480.67		270,862.33	-	28%				
10	Transfers from HHSD Fund	-			-	-	-	#DIV/0!				
11	Transfers from General Fund	500,000.00	-	83,333.33	-	416,666.67	-	-				
12	DHHS Board Per Diem		4,110.00		835.00	-	3,275.00	20%				
13	DHHS Board Social Security		255.00		-		255.00	0%				
14	DHHS Board Travel		1,600.00		108.99		1,491.01	7%				
15	Salaries		1,700,571.00		486,754.48		1,213,816.52	29%				
16	Social Security		121,542.00		34,679.60	-	86,862.40	29%				
17	Retirement (Employer's Share)		122,441.00		35,167.03	-	87,273.97	29%				
18	Health Ins & Health Ins Incentive		530,881.00		233,219.32	-	297,661.68	44%				
19	Life Insurance		320.00		147.09	-	172.91	46%				
20	Workers Comp		36,050.00		6,008.33	-	30,041.67	17%				
21												
22	Employee Training/Travel		15,880.00		5,225.35	-	10,654.65	33%				
23	Office Expense		114,262.00		35,908.08	-	78,353.92	31%				
24	Purchased/Contract Services		1,919,688.00		342,076.22	-	1,577,611.78	18%				
25												
26												
27	TOTALS	4,527,312.00	4,567,600.00	760,830.95	1,180,129.49	3,766,481.05	3,387,470.51	17%				
28												
29												
30	ACCRUED EXPENSES	BUDGET TOTAL	INCLUDED IN									
31	WORKERS COMP	36,050.00	YTD EXP									
32			6,008.33									
33	ACCRUED REVENUES	BUDGET TOTAL	INCLUDED IN									
34	County Property Tax	891,478.00	YTD REV									
35	Transfers from General Fund	500,000.00	83,333.33									
36		1,391,478.00										

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	BUFFALO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENT OF THE STATE STATUS OF 2025 ADOPTED BUDGET REPORT THROUGH APRIL 2026										
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6	PERCENT OF YEAR: 31%										
	ACCOUNT TITLE	2026 ADOPTED BUDGET		Y-T-D		Y-T-D REMAINING BUDGET		PERCENTAGE OF BUDGET USED			
7		REVENUE	EXPENSE	REVENUE	EXPENSE	REVENUE	EXPENSE				
8	Local Revenue/Refunds	69,000.00	0.00	905.00		68,095.00	0.00				1%
9	Transfers to HHSD Fund	-	-	-		-	-				0%
10											
11	Salaries	-	29,813.00		10,995.86		18,817.14				37%
12	Social Security	-	2,057.00		866.75		1,190.25				42%
13	Retirement (Employer's Share)	-	2,027.00		791.71		1,235.29				39%
14	Health Ins & Health Ins Incentive	-	11,980.00		505.68		11,474.32				4%
15	Life Insurance	-	3.00		0.01		2.99				0%
16	Workers Comp	-	1,193.00		322.17		870.83				27%
17	AMSO/Indirect		13,287.00		5,655.04		7,631.96				43%
18											
19	Employee Education & Training	-	500.00		45.68		454.32				9%
20	Staff Travel	-	200.00		142.39		57.61				71%
21	Purchased/Contract Services	-	7,150.00		41.46		7,108.54				1%
22	Office Expense		578.00		202.23		375.77				35%
23											
24	TOTALS	69,000.00	68,788.00	905.00	19,568.98	68,095.00	49,219.02				1%

DATE	ACCOUNT NO.	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	
03/13/26	230.21.54000.141.0000	COUNTY BOARD PAYROLL	DHHS BOARD - PER DIEM	\$310.00
03/13/26	230.21.54000.141.0000	COUNTY BOARD PAYROLL	DHHS BOARD - PER DIEM	\$310.00
TOTAL DHHS BOARD COSTS				\$310.00
03/11/2026	230.25.54440.212.0000	SPARTAN INVESTIGATIONS	CHILD SUPPORT - PROCESS SERVICE FEES	\$75.00
TOTAL PROCESS SERVICE FEES				\$75.00
03/25/2026	230.22.54307.217.0000	K BUCK CLINICAL SERVICES LLC	CCS - PROF CONSULT	\$4,641.17
03/25/2026	230.22.54308.217.0000	K BUCK CLINICAL SERVICES LLC	CSP - PROF CONSULT	\$416.67
03/25/2026	230.22.54309.217.0000	K BUCK CLINICAL SERVICES LLC	CRISIS INTERVENT - PROF CONSULT	\$708.33
03/31/2026	230.22.54502.217.0000	PIERCE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH	B-3 - PROF CONSULT	\$441.45
03/31/2026	230.23.54410.217.0000	THE PARENTING PLACE	CHILD DAY CARE - PROF CONSULT	\$420.48
03/31/2026	230.25.54440.217.0000	KELLY J. SWAN	CHILD SUPPORT - PROF CONSULT	\$1,026.44
03/31/2026	230.25.54440.217.0000	LISA A PLUNKETT	CHILD SUPPORT - PROF CONSULT	\$1,479.63
03/31/2026	230.25.54441.217.0000	ST CROIX CO CHILD SUPPT AGENCY	CS COORD - PROF CONSULTING	\$1,222.20
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING FEES				\$10,356.37
03/31/26	ALL UNITS	AT&T MOBILITY	MARCH 2026 CELL PHONES	\$809.83
TOTAL CELL PHONE EXPENSE				\$809.83
03/31/2026	230.22.54514.253.0000	LIONBRIDGE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	PSSF PRESERV - INTERPRETER FEES	\$4.95
TOTAL INTERPRETER FEES				\$4.95
03/31/2026	230.22.54503.263.0000	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LAB INC	CH & FAM - DRUG TESTING	\$26.25
03/26/2026	230.25.54440.264.0000	LABORATORY CORPORATION OF	CHILD SUPPORT - PATERNITY TESTING	\$85.75
TOTAL TESTING EXPENSES				\$112.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54603.302.0000	LOST PIRATE, LLC	BUFFALO CITY - CONTRACT MEAL COST	\$3,315.52
03/31/2026	230.26.54604.302.0000	DONNA MAE'S PANTHER CAFE	GILMANTON - CONTRACT MEAL COST	\$9,296.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54605.302.0000	AMERICAN LUTHERAN HOME	MONDOVI MS - CONTRACT MEAL COST	\$2,656.96
03/31/2026	230.26.54606.302.0000	DONNA MAE'S PANTHER CAFE	NELSON - CONTRACTED MEAL COST	\$1,872.00
TOTAL MEAL COSTS				\$17,140.48
03/04/2026	230.21.54000.310.0000	US BANK	AMSO - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$47.98
03/04/2026	230.23.54412.310.0000	US BANK	WHEAP - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$23.99
03/04/2026	230.25.54440.310.0000	US BANK	CHILD SUPPORT - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$58.71
TOTAL OFFICE SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT				\$130.68
03/31/2026	230.21.54000.311.0000	US BANK	AMSO - POSTAGE	\$1,191.56

DATE	ACCOUNT NO.	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	
03/25/2026	230.27.54123.311.0000	US BANK	LEAD-IN-WATER - POSTAGE	\$16.92
TOTAL COPIER EXPENSES				\$1,339.16
03/27/2026	230.26.54601.327.1501	US BANK	APS - EMPLOYEE EDUC & TRAINING - PEPIN	\$913.99
03/19/2026	230.27.54100.327.0000	WALHDAB	PH ADMIN - EMPLOYEE EDUCATION & TRAININ	\$750.00
03/25/2026	230.27.54105.327.0000	US BANK	MCH - EMPLOYEE EDU & TRAIN	\$25.00
03/13/2026	230.21.54000.334.0000	US BANK	AMSO - DHHS BOARD - TRAVEL	\$49.30
03/13/2026	230.22.54506.339.0000	US BANK	TPA CLTS WAIVER - STAFF TRAVEL	\$12.33
TOTAL EMP EDU, TRAIN, TRAVEL				\$2,959.10
03/25/2026	230.22.54300.348.0000	US BANK	MHBG - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$35.00
03/03/2026	230.27.54100.348.0000	CLIA LABORATORY PROGRAM	PH ADMIN - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$248.00
03/02/2026	230.27.54103.348.0000	CONTROL SOLUTIONS INC	IMMUN GRANT - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$78.89
03/06/2026	230.27.54108.348.0000	STERICYCLE INC	PREPAREDNESS - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$132.24
03/25/2026	230.29.54900.348.0000	US BANK	AGENT - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$41.46
TOTAL PROGRAM SUPPLIES				\$535.59
03/31/2026	230.22.54503.351.0000	KWIK TRIP INC	VEHICLE GAS	\$348.85
01/31/26	230.21.54000.535.0000	ENTERPRISE FM TRUST	MARCH 2026 LEASE PAYMENT	\$648.04
TOTAL VEHICLE EXPENSE				\$996.89
03/18/2026	230.22.54504.800.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CCOP - RESPITE	\$110.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54612.800.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE GENERAL	\$145.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54613.800.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	AFCSP - RESPITE GENERAL	\$155.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54608.801.0000	PEPIN CO DHS	TITLE III-B - HOMEMAKER SERVICES	\$1,838.92
03/31/2026	230.26.54612.801.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE HOMEMAKER	\$200.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54613.801.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	AFCSP - RESPITE HOMEMAKER	\$220.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54612.802.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE PERSONAL CARE	\$40.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54613.802.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	AFCSP - RESPITE PERSONAL CARE	\$30.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54612.803.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE CHORE	\$63.30
03/31/2026	230.26.54612.803.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE CHORE	\$30.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54612.803.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE CHORE	\$40.00
03/31/2026	230.26.54613.803.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	AFCSP - RESPITE CHORE	\$95.00
03/25/2026	230.22.54506.805.0000	US BANK	TPA CLTS WAIVER - ADAPTIVE AIDS	\$805.51
03/31/2026	230.22.54503.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - FOSTER CARE	\$651.00
03/31/2026	230.22.54503.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - FOSTER CARE	\$651.00
03/31/2026	230.22.54503.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - FOSTER CARE	\$1,302.00
03/31/2026	230.22.54503.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - FOSTER CARE	\$605.81
03/31/2026	230.22.54510.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	KINSHIP CARE BENEFITS	\$1,976.50
03/31/2026	230.22.54502.815.0000	CESA 10	B-3 - DAY CEN SER-NONMED	\$6,408.25

<i>DATE</i>	<i>ACCOUNT NO.</i>	<i>VENDOR</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	
03/27/2026	230.22.54504.820.0000	BRENDA BONESTEEL	CCOP - RECREATION SERVICES	\$12.10
03/01/2026	230.22.54504.820.0000	HEATHER LAEHN	CCOP - RECREATION SERVICES	\$75.00
03/21/2026	230.22.54504.820.0000	MACKENZIE DREGNEY	CCOP - RECREATION SERVICES	\$45.00
03/31/2026	230.22.54504.820.0000	MEGHAN MATHIS	CCOP - RECREATION SERVICES	\$40.00
03/25/2026	230.22.54504.820.0000	US BANK	CCOP - RECREATION SERVICES	\$70.99
03/25/2026	230.22.54504.820.0000	US BANK	CCOP - RECREATION SERVICES	\$543.97
03/31/2026	230.22.54511.832.0000	EAU CLAIRE CO DHS	JJ YOUTH AIDS - DETENTION CENTER	\$17,825.00
03/31/2026	230.22.54503.835.0000	CHILDREN'S SERVICE SOCIETY OF WI	CH & FAM - FC ADMIN	\$3,137.20
TOTAL CLIENT SERVICES				\$37,116.55
03/31/26	ALL UNITS	PAYROLL	MARCH 2026 PAYROLL	\$197,966.15
TOTAL PAYROLL				\$197,966.15
TOTAL				\$269,852.75

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04/08/2026	230.21.54000.334.0000	ELIZABETH A HOFFMASTER	AMSO - DHHS BOARD - TRAVEL	\$11.60
04/08/2026	230.21.54000.334.0000	STEPHEN S SCHIFFLI	AMSO - DHHS BOARD - TRAVEL	\$85.90
TOTAL DHHS BOARD EXPENSES				\$97.50
04/29/2026	230.25.54440.202.0000	MN DEPT OF HEALTH - OFFICE OF VITAL	CHILD SUPPORT - LEGAL, ATTORNEY & CO COMM	\$40.00
04/07/2026	230.25.54440.212.0000	EAU CLAIRE CO SHERIFF DEPT	CHILD SUPPORT - PROCESS SERVICE FEES	\$100.00
TOTAL LEGAL & PROCESS SERVICE FEES				\$140.00
04/29/2026	230.22.54307.217.0000	K BUCK CLINICAL SERVICES LLC	CCS - PROF CONSULT	\$4,641.17
04/29/2026	230.22.54308.217.0000	K BUCK CLINICAL SERVICES LLC	CSP - PROF CONSULT	\$416.67
04/29/2026	230.22.54309.217.0000	K BUCK CLINICAL SERVICES LLC	CRISIS INTERVENT - PROF CONSULT	\$708.33
04/09/2026	230.22.54502.217.0000	PEPIN CO DHS	B-3 - PROF CONSULT	\$281.19
04/30/2026	230.25.54440.217.0000	KELLY J. SWAN	CHILD SUPPORT - PROF CONSULT	\$1,059.82
04/30/2026	230.25.54440.217.0000	LISA A PLUNKETT	CHILD SUPPORT - PROF CONSULT	\$1,531.25
04/07/2026	230.26.54608.217.0000	PEPIN CO DHS	TITLE III-B - PROF CONSULT	\$3,821.20
04/07/2026	230.26.54609.217.0000	PEPIN CO DHS	CONG MEALS - PROF CONSULT	\$6,576.67
04/07/2026	230.26.54610.217.0000	PEPIN CO DHS	HDM - PROF CONSULT	\$4,108.81
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING FEES				\$23,145.11
04/30/2026	ALL UNITS	AT&T MOBILITY	APRIL 2026 CELL PHONES	\$780.54
TOTAL CELL PHONE EXPENSE				\$780.54
04/30/2026	230.22.54503.263.0000	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LAB INC	CH & FAM - DRUG TESTING	\$95.75
TOTAL TESTING EXPENSES				\$95.75
04/30/2026	230.22.54503.295.0000	US BANK	CH & FAM - MISC COST	\$23.18
04/30/2026	230.29.54900.324.0000	US BANK	AGENT - MEMBERSHIP DUES & LICENSES	\$35.00
TOTAL MISC COSTS				\$58.18
04/30/2026	230.22.54514.253.0000	LIONBRIDGE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	PSSF PRESERV - INTERPRETER FEES	\$6.31
04/30/2026	230.27.54116.253.0000	LIONBRIDGE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	TB DISPENSARY - INTERPRETER FEES	\$24.24
TOTAL INTERPRETER EXPENSES				\$30.55
04/30/2026	230.26.54603.302.0000	LOST PIRATE, LLC	BUFFALO CITY - CONTRACT MEAL COST	\$3,785.75
04/30/2026	230.26.54604.302.0000	DONNA MAE'S PANTHER CAFE	GILMANTON - CONTRACT MEAL COST	\$9,864.00
04/30/2026	230.26.54605.302.0000	AMERICAN LUTHERAN HOME	MONDOVI MS - CONTRACT MEAL COST	\$2,726.88
04/30/2026	230.26.54606.302.0000	DONNA MAE'S PANTHER CAFE	NELSON - CONTRACTED MEAL COST	\$2,016.00
04/10/2026	230.26.54610.241.0000	PEPIN CO DHS	HDM - VEHICLE REP & MAINT	\$1,154.89
TOTAL MEAL COSTS				\$19,547.52

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04/30/2026	230.21.54000.310.0000	US BANK	AMSO - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$303.20
04/30/2026	230.22.54503.310.0000	US BANK	CH & FAM - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$28.08
04/01/2026	230.23.54412.310.0000	US BANK	WHEAP - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$23.99
04/30/2026	230.23.54413.310.0000	US BANK	WREA - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$36.60
04/30/2026	230.25.54440.310.0000	US BANK	CHILD SUPPORT - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$138.05
04/30/2026	230.26.54601.310.0000	US BANK	APS - OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$87.23
04/21/2026	230.22.54307.314.0000	MODERN OFFICE	CCS - OFFICE EQUIP	\$1,799.00
04/30/2026	230.23.54413.314.0000	US BANK	WREA - OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$89.99
04/30/2026	230.26.54601.314.0000	US BANK	APS - OFFICE EQUIP	\$161.49
TOTAL OFFICE SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT				\$2,667.63
04/10/2026	230.21.54000.322.0000	LOFFLER COMPANIES INC	AMSO - PHOTO COPIES	\$163.45
04/11/2026	230.21.54000.322.0000	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC	AMSO - PHOTO COPIES	\$226.12
TOTAL COPIER EXPENSES				\$551.06
04/30/2026	230.22.54300.348.0000	US BANK	MHBG - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$35.00
04/13/2026	230.27.54100.348.0000	SANOFI VACCINES US INC	PH ADMIN - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$855.33
04/30/2026	230.27.54103.348.0000	CONTROL SOLUTIONS INC	IMMUN GRANT - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$195.00
04/06/2026	230.27.54118.348.0000	UWO CASHIER'S OFFICE	TNC PROGRAM - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$336.00
04/06/2026	230.27.54119.348.0000	UWO CASHIER'S OFFICE	WATER LAB - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$1,080.00
TOTAL PROGRAM SUPPLIES				\$2,501.33
04/07/2026	230.21.54000.241.0000	DARRELS REPAIR LLC	AMSO - VEHICLE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$56.50
04/30/2026	230.21.54000.241.0000	US BANK	AMSO - VEHICLE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$29.99
04/30/2026	230.21.54000.351.0000	KWIK TRIP INC	VEHICLE GAS	\$599.69
04/30/2026	230.21.54000.535.0000	ENTERPRISE FM TRUST	APRIL 2026 LEASE PAYMENT	\$648.04
TOTAL VEHICLE EXPENSE				\$1,334.22
04/01/2026	230.22.54527.295.0000	WABASHA COUNTY	FOSTER PARENT GRANT - MISC	\$45.00
04/02/2026	230.22.54527.295.0000	BUFFALO CO REGISTER OF DEEDS	FOSTER PARENT GRANT - MISC	\$23.00
04/13/2026	230.22.54527.295.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	FOSTER PARENT GRANT - MISC	\$100.41
04/17/2026	230.22.54527.295.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	FOSTER PARENT GRANT - MISC	\$25.32
04/20/2026	230.22.54527.295.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	FOSTER PARENT GRANT - MISC	\$32.11
04/30/2026	230.22.54527.295.0000	US BANK	FOSTER PARENT GRANT - MISC	\$200.00
FOSTER PARENT GRANT				\$425.84
04/09/2026	230.22.54503.800.0000	LITTLE RAIDERS CHILDCARE CENTER	CH & FAM - RESPITE CARE	\$7,191.20
04/29/2026	230.22.54503.800.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - RESPITE CARE	\$3,300.00

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04/29/2026	230.22.54504.800.0000	CHRISTIAN SERVANTS HOME CARE LLC	CCOP - RESPITE	\$110.00
04/22/2026	230.26.54612.801.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE HOMEMAKER	\$480.00
04/30/2026	230.26.54612.803.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	NFCSP - RESPITE CHORE	\$30.00
04/10/2026	230.26.54610.804.0000	PEPIN CO DHS	HDM - TRANSPORTATION	\$2,574.55
04/30/2026	230.22.54506.805.0000	US BANK	TPA CLTS WAIVER - ADAPTIVE AIDS	\$991.14
04/30/2026	230.22.54503.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - FOSTER CARE	\$651.00
04/30/2026	230.22.54503.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - FOSTER CARE	\$1,302.00
04/30/2026	230.22.54503.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CH & FAM - FOSTER CARE	\$651.00
04/30/2026	230.22.54510.808.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	KINSHIP CARE BENEFITS	\$1,152.00
04/30/2026	230.22.54502.815.0000	CESA 10	B-3 - DAY CEN SER-NONMED	\$4,806.25
04/23/2026	230.22.54504.820.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	CCOP - RECREATION SERVICES	\$75.00
04/02/2026	230.22.54501.827.0000	[NAME REDACTED]	BCA - IMD INPATIENT	\$5,268.00
04/30/2026	230.22.54506.828.0000	US BANK	TPA CLTS WAIVER - SAFETY EQUIPMENT	\$208.02
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TOTAL CLIENT SERVICES				\$46,040.16
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TOTAL EMP EDU, TRAIN, TRAVEL				\$1,475.48
04/28/2026	230.26.54614.538.0000	A & J MOBILITY	SECTION 85.21 - VEHICLE PURCHASE	\$13,533.50
TOTAL VAN PURCHASE				\$13,533.50
04/30/26	ALL UNITS	PAYROLL	APRIL 2026 PAYROLL	\$196,117.52
TOTAL PAYROLL				\$196,117.52
TOTAL				\$308,304.39

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Unit Update:

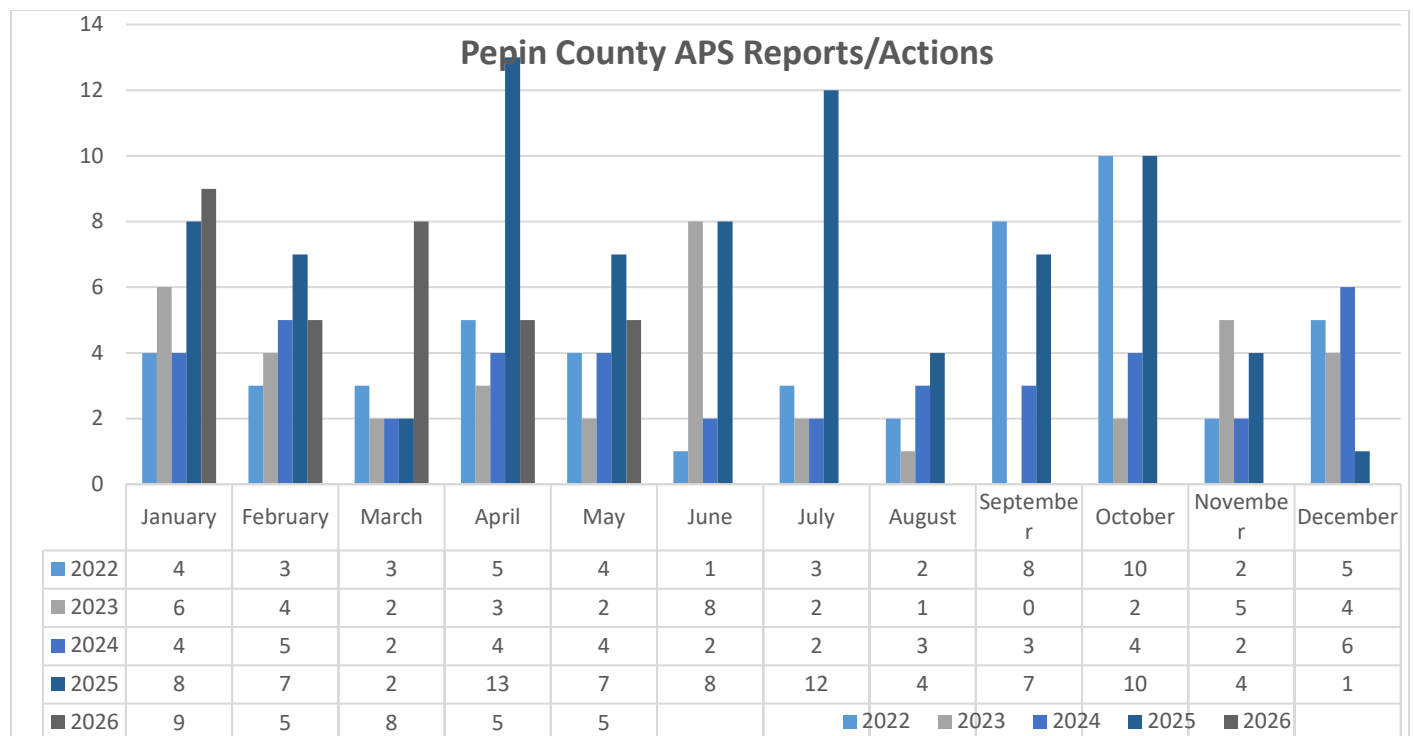
Hosted monthly MCO meetings with MyChoice and Inclusa.

Attended DHS APS Meeting.

Attended Statewide FAST team meeting.

Hosted I-Team meeting.

APS Manager was chosen to participate in intake modernization project.

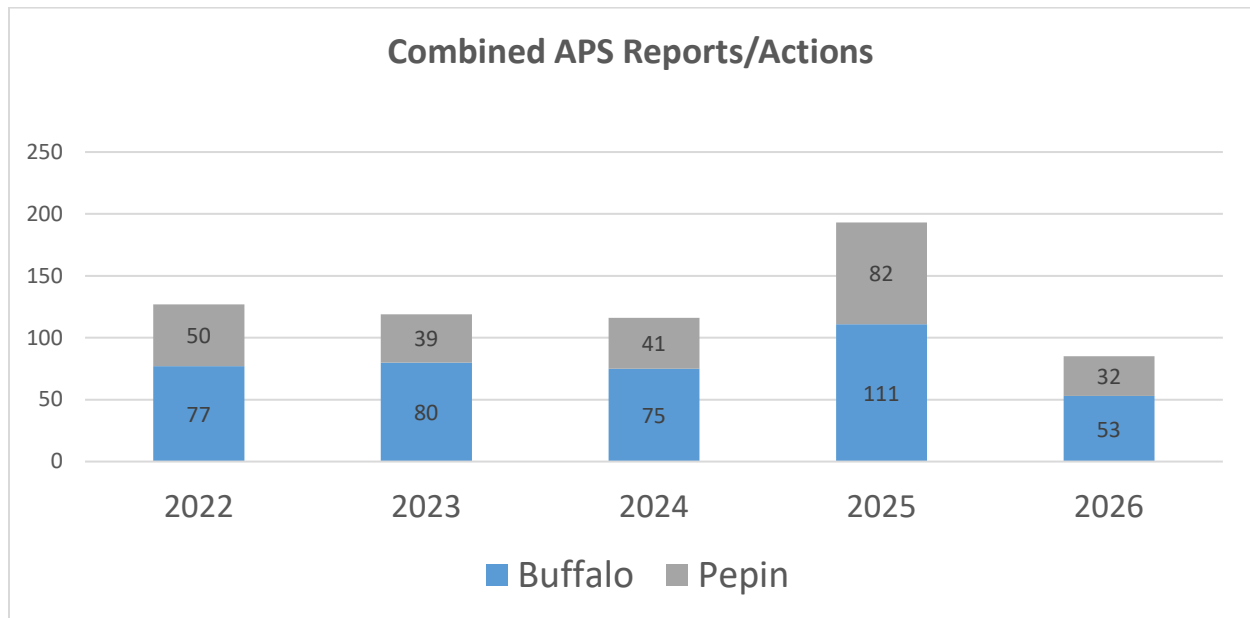
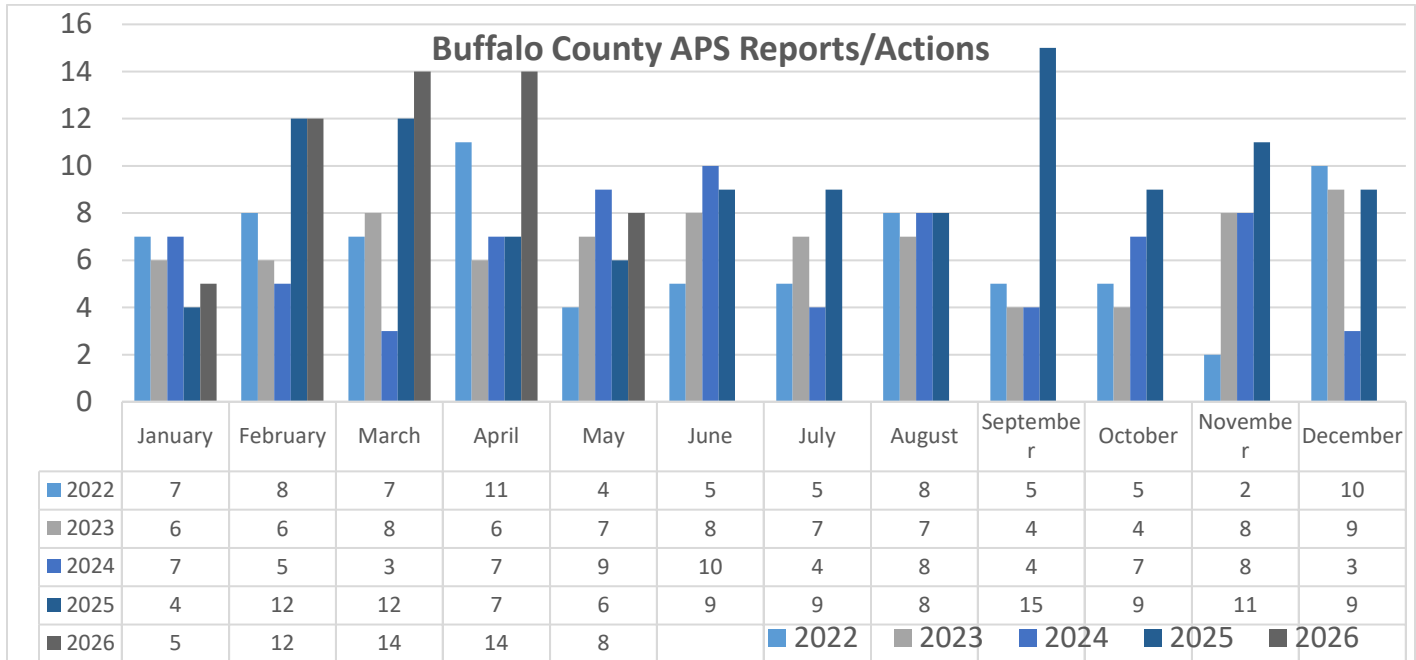


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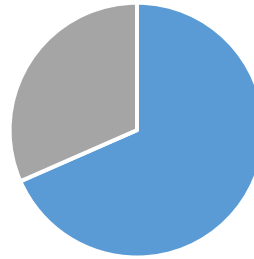
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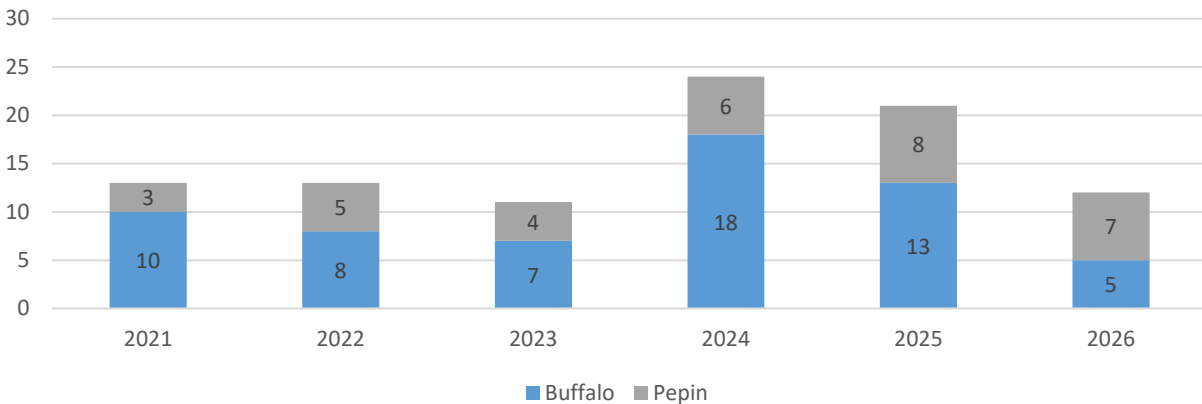
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Protective Placements/WATTS Reviews



■ Buffalo County ■ Pepin County

Guardianships Completed by APS

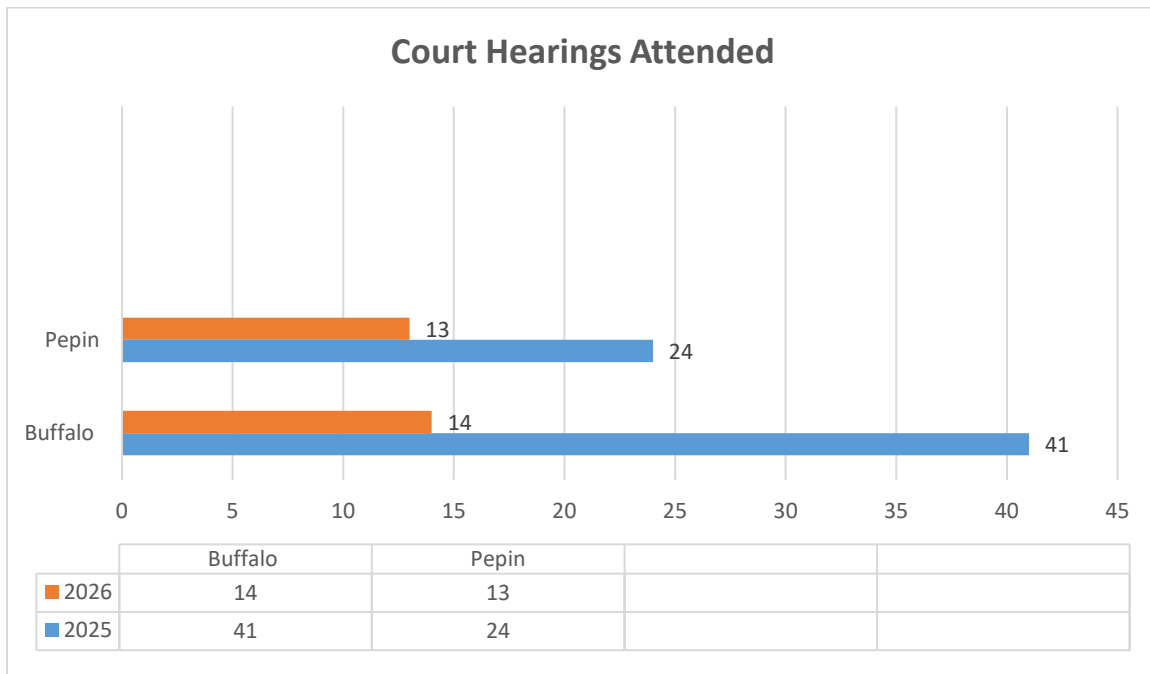
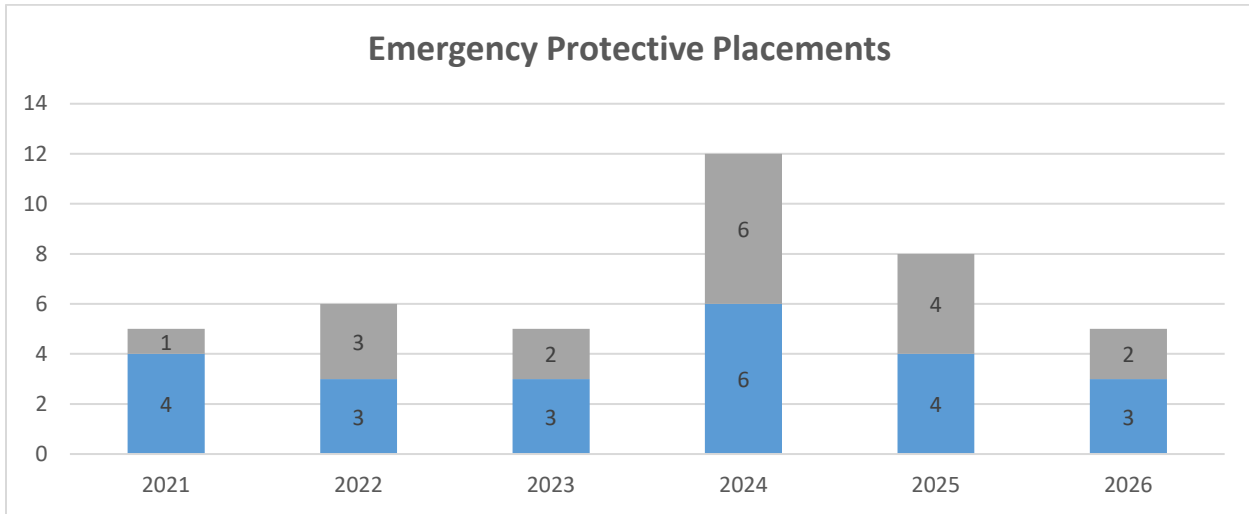


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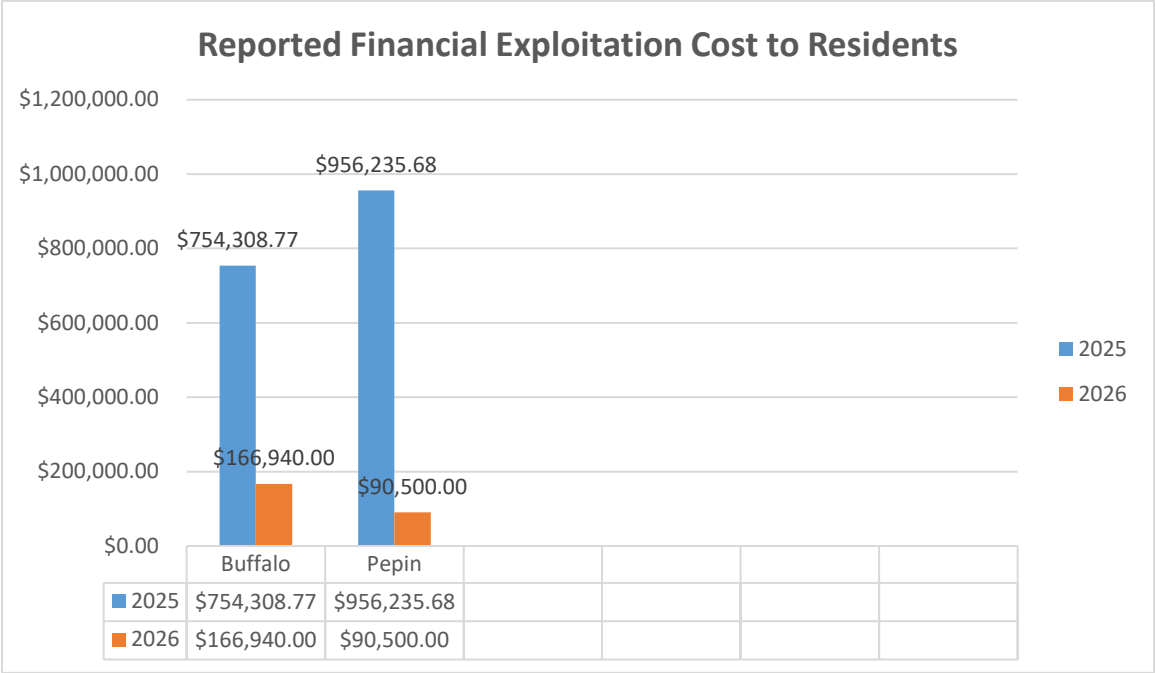


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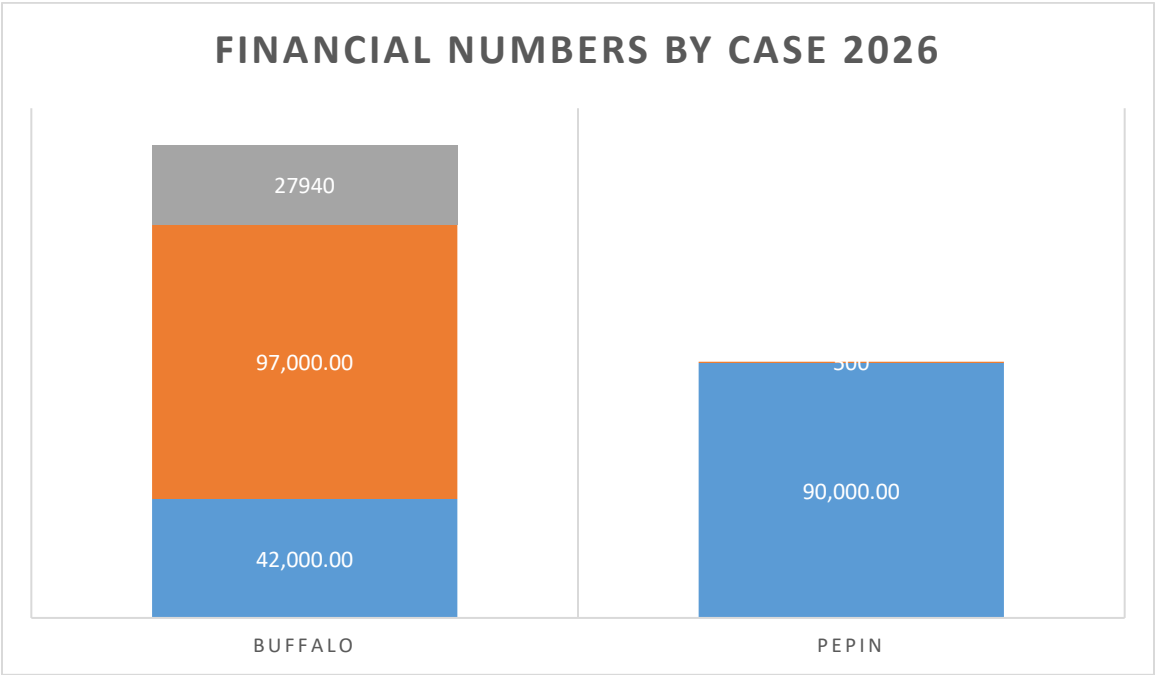


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(Data as of May 26th, 2026)

APRIL & MAY 2026 CAMMI'S CRUMBS (ADRC MANAGER REPORT)

-  Staff updates: We are advertising for the Disability Benefit Specialist position and interviews will occur the first week of June. Angie/Transportation Program Coordinator remains out on FMLA until at least June 1. Chelsey/Dementia Care Specialist, will be on FMLA starting mid to late June.
-  Time Reporting: ADRC staff (EBS/DBS/DCS/ADRC Specialist) complete 100% Time Reporting, and the State is transitioning the process, and it will now be incorporated into Peer Place. ADRC staff have been learning the new process, and the official transition will be July 1st.
-  2025 Ford Transit Van: Last year, Buffalo County was awarded a new vehicle through the 5310 application process, and it arrived on April 29th. This van can seat 6 people (not including the driver) and 1 wheelchair.



-  Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Vouchers (SFMNP): The ADRC will have SFMNP vouchers starting June 1st. Eligible individuals can receive \$25 to use at an authorized farmers market. Appointments can be made with ADRC staff to pick up vouchers, or we will be available at the following dates and times:

<u>Pepin County Residents:</u>	<u>Buffalo County Residents</u>
Monday, June 1st 10:00-11:00am -Pepin County Govt. Ctr. 1 st Floor - Board Room 740 7 th Avenue W, Durand, WI 54736	Monday, June 8th 1:30-2:15pm - Cochrane Apartments - Community Rm. 248 N Main Street, Cochrane, WI 54622 2:30-3:15pm - Nelson Apartments - Community Rm. N505 Lincoln Street, Nelson, WI 54756
Monday, June 8th 10:00-11:00am - Pepin Apartments Community Room 701 Dunn Street, Pepin, WI 54759	Wednesday, June 10th 10:00-10:45am - Highland Apartments - Community Rm. 600 Buffalo Street, Mondovi, WI 54755
Monday, June 15th 10:00-11:00am - Pepin County Govt. Ctr. 1 st Floor - Board Room 740 7 th Avenue W, Durand, WI 54736	11:00-11:45 - Lincoln/Vine Apartments - Community Rm. 140 W Vine Street, Mondovi, WI 54755

- ✚ ADRC Governing Board: The ADRC Governing Board met on May 7th and elected a new Chairperson, Terri Vettrus. Jodie Anderson remains 1st Chairperson and Steve Nelson as 2nd Chairperson. Elizabeth Bauer is the Pepin County Board Supervisor and Steve Nelson is the Buffalo County Board Supervisor.
- ✚ Proclamation: Governor Tony Evers has proclaimed May 2026 to be Aging, Disability, and Independent Living Network Professionals Appreciation Month in Wisconsin



 Recent and Upcoming Outreach Events:

**ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK
SOCK HOP**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026

11:30AM - 2:30PM

Held at The Gilmanton American Legion
W738 County Road B, Gilmanton, WI

****Doors will not open before 11:00am**

**ROCK YOUR FAVORITE SOCKS,
DRESS UP & LEARN ABOUT OUR SERVICES!**

11:45AM - 12:45PM
**SOCIAL HOUR WITH APPETIZERS, GAMES &
MUSIC BY RICH SCHROEDER**
****BEVERAGES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE****

12:45PM-1:00PM ADRC "MEET THE STAFF"

**1:00PM - 2:00PM BINGO, TRIVIA
& RAFFLES**
MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

ADRC
Aging and Disability Resource Center
of Buffalo and Pepin Counties

**NEED A RIDE
TO THE EVENT?
CALL 866-578-2372 BY
MAY 7TH TO SIGN UP**

4th Annual
**COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR
OF BUFFALO & PEPIN
COUNTIES**

Event Agenda

9 - 10AM
Registration & Exhibit Booths

10 - 11AM
'Adaptive Equipment' with Courtney
Drury of Lakeland Home Health &
Lakeland Therapy

11 - 11:30AM
Exhibit Booths

11:30AM - 12:30PM
'Building Brain-Healthy Habits' with
Heidi Neeley of the Alzheimer's
Association

12:30 - 1:15PM
Lunch & Exhibit Booths

1:15 - 2:15PM
'The Caregiver Workshop: Preparing
Backup Plans Before the Crisis' with
Jen Miller of Rellim Senior Day Care

2:15 - 2:30PM
Door Prize Drawings/Closing

ADRC
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Learn About
Home Health & Hospice
Long-Term Care
Adult Day Programming
Adaptive Equipment
ADRC Services
Health & Human Services
Energy Assistance
Veteran Services
and more!

JULY 15, 2026
MONDOVI SCHOOL
337 N JACKSON ST, MONDOVI
(ENTER USING DOOR #7)
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Need a Ride?
**CALL THE ADRC BY JULY 7TH
866-578-2372**

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS
ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED.
FIRST 50 REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE
A FREE LUNCH VOUCHER. CALL
866-578-2372 TO REGISTER!

HOSTED BY THE ADRC OF BUFFALO & PEPIN COUNTIES

- ✚ National Healthcare Decision Day: This year, the ADRC partnered with local libraries to help spread the word about the importance of completing Power of Attorney documents.

National Healthcare Decisions Day!

Recognized annually on April 16th!

This information is provided by the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Buffalo and Pepin Counties. With questions, or to request additional copies of Power of Attorney documents, please contact us at 1-866-578-2372 or at adrc-bp@co.pepin.wi.us



What?

National Healthcare Decisions Day is observed annually on April 16th to educate and empower the public and healthcare providers about the importance of advance care planning. It encourages adults to document their future healthcare (and financial) wishes and choose agents to ensure their preferences are followed.

Why?

Wisconsin is NOT a next-of-kin state, meaning that if you become incapacitated due to an illness or injury, your family or natural supports are unable to make medical and/or financial decisions on your behalf, without advanced planning documentation completed.

How?

By completing a Power of Attorney of Healthcare form (F-00085), as well as a Power of Attorney of Finance form (F-00036), you are able to name the person(s) you would like to manage your affairs and make your decisions should you become unable.

GRAB FREE COPIES OF THESE DOCUMENTS HERE!!

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Don't I need an attorney to draft advance planning documentation?

A: While you may choose to draft advance planning documentation with an attorney of your choice, the forms provided here are produced by the State of Wisconsin and are sufficient for use by Wisconsin residents. To ensure the validity of completed forms, please follow witness/notary requirements as outlined on each form.

Q: What happens if I don't have advance planning documentation completed but later need an agent to make healthcare and/or financial decisions on my behalf?

A: Because Wisconsin is not a next-of-kin state, should you become incapacitated due to illness or injury and NOT have advance planning documentation completed, you may require involvement of the court system and the appointment of a legal guardian.

Q: I have my spouse or adult child(ren) named on my bank account. Do I still need to complete Power of Attorney of Finance documentation?

A: Yes! Placing another person's name on your bank account does not provide them with the authority to work with Medicare, Medicaid, the Social Security Administration, or any other financial entities on your behalf.

- 🌟 National Volunteer Month: April is National Volunteer Month, and we celebrate all the amazing volunteers who help with our Senior Nutrition and Transportation Program. We couldn't do it without you! Your time, compassion, and dedication make a meaningful difference in the lives of older adults in our community every single day. Whether you're delivering meals, providing rides, or offering a friendly smile, your efforts help keep our programs running strong and our neighbors connected and supported. Thank you for all that you do!



 2026 ADRC Data:

ADRC Staff	Program	January	February	March	April
Bernie & Julie F.	Elder Benefit Specialists (total # of unduplicated consumers)	Buffalo:35 Pepin:55	Buffalo:37 Pepin:53	Buffalo:57 Pepin:60	Buffalo:26 Pepin:30
Mel	Disability Benefit Specialist (total # of unduplicated consumers)	Buffalo:1 Pepin:9	Buffalo:2 Pepin:6	Buffalo:2 Pepin:4	Buffalo:1 Pepin:5
Jennifer & Michelle	ADRC Specialists (total # of unduplicated consumers)	Buffalo:37 Pepin:29	Buffalo:48 Pepin:30	Buffalo: 43 Pepin:31	Buffalo: 36 Pepin:21
Chelsey	Dementia Care Specialist (total # of unduplicated consumers)	Buffalo:20 Pepin:4	Buffalo:19 Pepin:6	Buffalo:25 Pepin:14	Buffalo:20 Pepin:13
Jennifer & Michelle	Enrollees in AFCSP/NFCSP (Caregiver Programs)	Buffalo:5/10 Pepin:4/7	Buffalo:5/10 Pepin:4/9	Buffalo: 5/12 Pepin:3/9	Buffalo:7/11 Pepin:3/14
Angie & Julie N.	Transportation (one-way trips)	Buffalo: 45 Pepin: 117	Buffalo:43 Pepin:137	Buffalo:59 Pepin:139	Buffalo:56 Pepin:146
Matt B.	Home-Delivered Meals (total meals/month)	Buffalo:1075 Pepin:826	Buffalo:1037 Pepin:882	Buffalo:1148 Pepin:925	Buffalo:1219 Pepin:855
Matt B.	Home Delivered (total meals/site)	Nelson:151 Buffalo City:221 Gilmanton:168 Mondovi:254 Durand:487 Pepin:182	Nelson:148 Buffalo City:253 Gilmanton:149 Mondovi:249 Durand:551 Pepin:173	Nelson: 177 Buffalo City:294 Gilmanton:126 Mondovi:304 Durand:557 Pepin:197	Nelson:206 Buffalo City:308 Gilmanton:120 Mondovi:312 Durand:512 Pepin:195
Matt B.	Carry-Out (total meals/site)	Nelson:22 Buffalo City: 24 Gilmanton:235 Durand:157	Nelson:25 Buffalo City:25 Gilmanton:188 Durand:158	Nelson:25 Buffalo City:32 Gilmanton:190 Durand:166 Pepin:5	Nelson:21 Buffalo City:28 Gilmanton:224 Durand:135 Pepin:13
Matt B.	Congregate (total meals/month)	Buffalo:806 Pepin:56	Buffalo:826 Pepin:56	Buffalo:933 Pepin:59	Buffalo:1037 Pepin:40
Matt B.	Congregate (total meals/site)	Nelson:22 Buffalo City: 83 Gilmanton:701 Durand:56	Nelson:26 Buffalo City:84 Gilmanton: 716 Durand:56	Nelson:31 Buffalo City:88 Gilmanton:813 Durand:59	Nelson:33 Buffalo City:132 Gilmanton:872 Durand:40
Matt B.	Total Meals Served	Buffalo:1881 Pepin:882	Buffalo:1863 Pepin:938	Buffalo:2081 Pepin:984	Buffalo:2256 Pepin:895

Buffalo County Child Support Based on KIDS Data As of - 4/30/26

This report provides current and historical information on four federal measurements used to determine the effectiveness of the child support program both in Wisconsin and nationally over the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY), which run from October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026. The word “year” corresponds to federal fiscal year. These measurements are defined as follows:

Court Order Establishment Rate (CO %) is the percentage of child support cases with court orders in place. Federal performance goal is 80%.

Current Child Support Collection Rate (CS %) is the percentage of support collected in the period it was due. Federal performance goal is 80%.

Paternity Establishment Rate (PE %) is the percentage of children that had paternity established during the year compared to the number of children who needed paternity established at the end of the previous year. As a result, this percentage often exceeds 100%. Federal performance goal is 90%.

Arrears Collection Rate (AC %) is the percentage of cases with past due payments that received a collection during the year. Federal performance goal is 80%.

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	End of Fiscal Year
	APRIL-2026	MARCH-2026	APRIL-2025	SEPTEMBER-2025
CASE LOAD	493	492	515	501
COURT ORDER	95.33%	94.92%	91.65%	93.21%
PATERNITY	101.58%	100.26%	106.68%	114.97%
CURRENT SUPPORT	79.13%	79.43%	77.74%	78.73%
ARREARS	65.10%	63.60%	64.11%	73.68%

Federal Fiscal Year - Quarterly Collections	TOTAL	NIVD	IVD	IN-STATE
Q1 - 2026	\$424,267.94	\$25,638.51	\$398,629.43	\$374,069.02
Q2 - 2025	\$417,930.51	\$28,631.06	\$389,299.45	\$362,900.55
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Buffalo County Department of Health and Human Services

Social Services Update

June 2026

Accroynms:

CPS- Child Protective Services

YJ- Youth Justice

CCS- Comprehensive Community Services

AODA- Alcohol and other Drug Abuse

MH- Mental Health

IMD- Institutionation for Mental Disease

CBRF- Community-Based Residential Facility

AFH- Adult Family Home

ED- Emergency Detention

CLTS-W- Children's Long-Term Support Waiver

Unit Update:

The 2025 CLTS Annual State File Review (audit) is complete. Buffalo County received a score of 97.9%, compared to the the statewide average of 89.7%. This score reflects the teams attention to detail and commitment to excellence. Great work!

Please help us in welcoming Hannah Hazard, who is interning with social services this summer. Hannah is pursing a degree in Social Work and Criminal Justice at UW-Eau Claire.

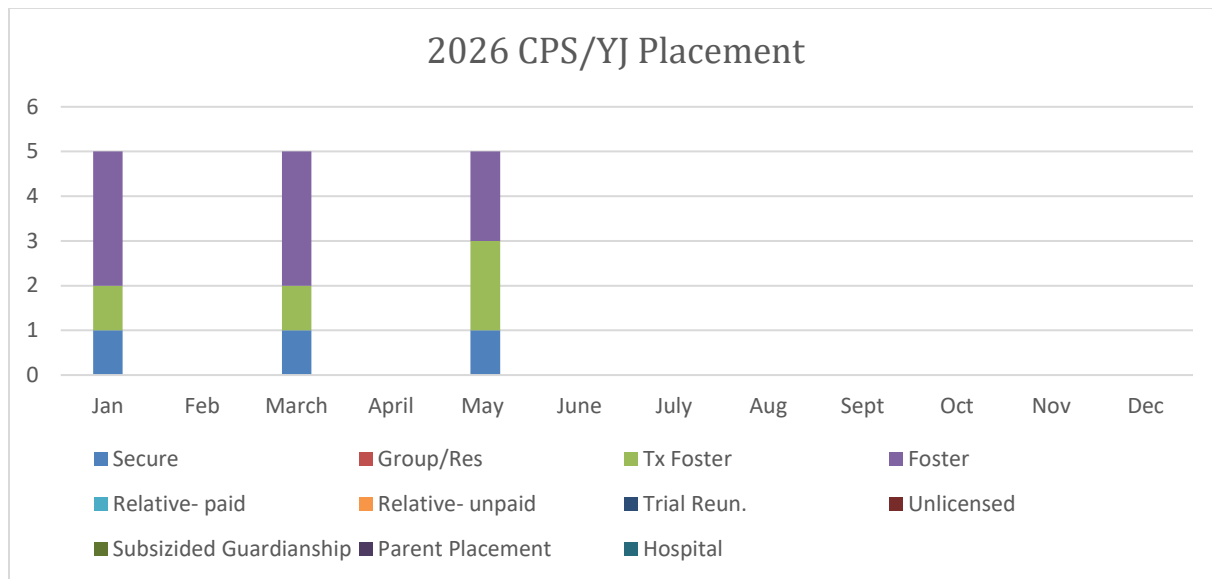
The vaccant Case Manager/ Social Worker position will be held open in 2026.

Caseloads:

WORKER	CASE TYPES/ ROLE	CASELOAD	TOTAL CHILDREN	CHILDREN OHC
1	CLTS-W/ CCS	15		
2	CLTS-W/ CCS	10		
3	CLTS-W	25		
4	CLTS-W/ CCS/ APS	9+		
5	CCS/ EMH/ SABG/ Prime for Life	8		
6	CCS/ EMH/ SABG	6		
7	CPS/ CW (on leave)	0	0	0
8	CPS/ CW/ Youth Justice	14	22	4
9	CPS/ CW	12	18	1
10	CPS/ YJ/ Kinship/ Manager	3	3	0
11	CCS/ EMH/ CLTS/ SABG Manager	0	0	0
12	Kinship/ Foster Care	2	0	0

*Please note that caseloads and children in out-of-home care is a moment in time representation as of May 28, 2026. Number includes children informally residing in out-of-home care under Protective Plans or parent placements as detailed below in CPS/JJ Placement graph.

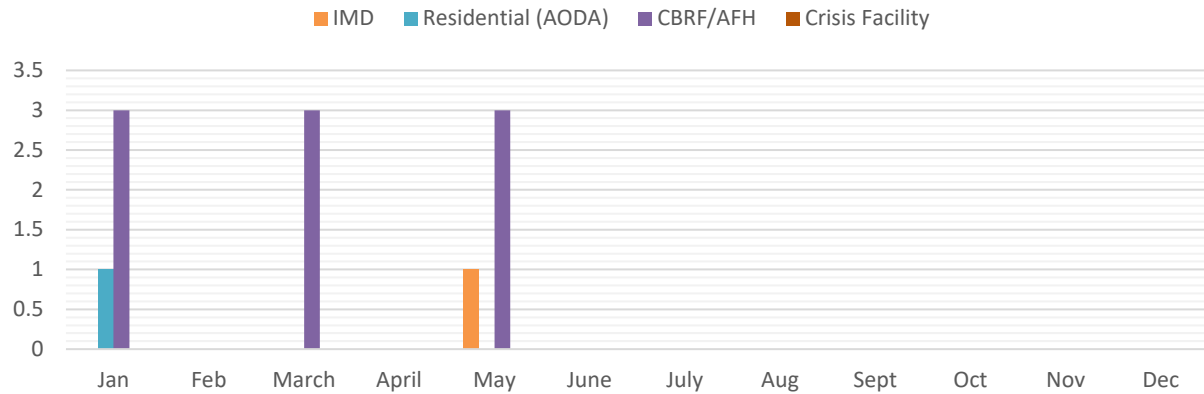
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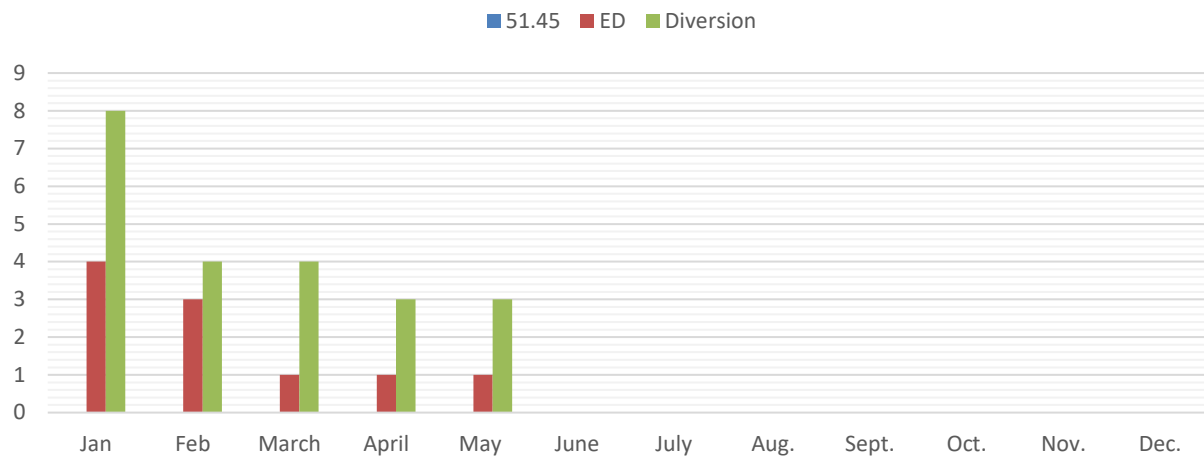
As of May 28, 2026 we have 5 children in various types of out-of-home placements. Of the 5 children, one is in high cost placements.

The category of "parent placement" was added in 2021. This includes children that are removed from a maltreating parent and placed with a protective parent under a TPC or CHIPS action. These were previously reported under unpaid relative. This change was made to more accurately reflect data.

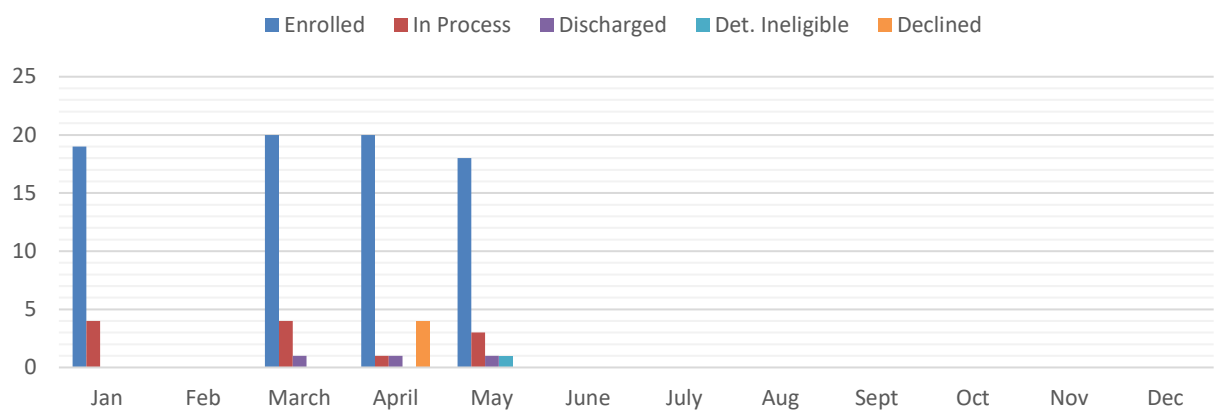
2026 MH/ AODA Placements



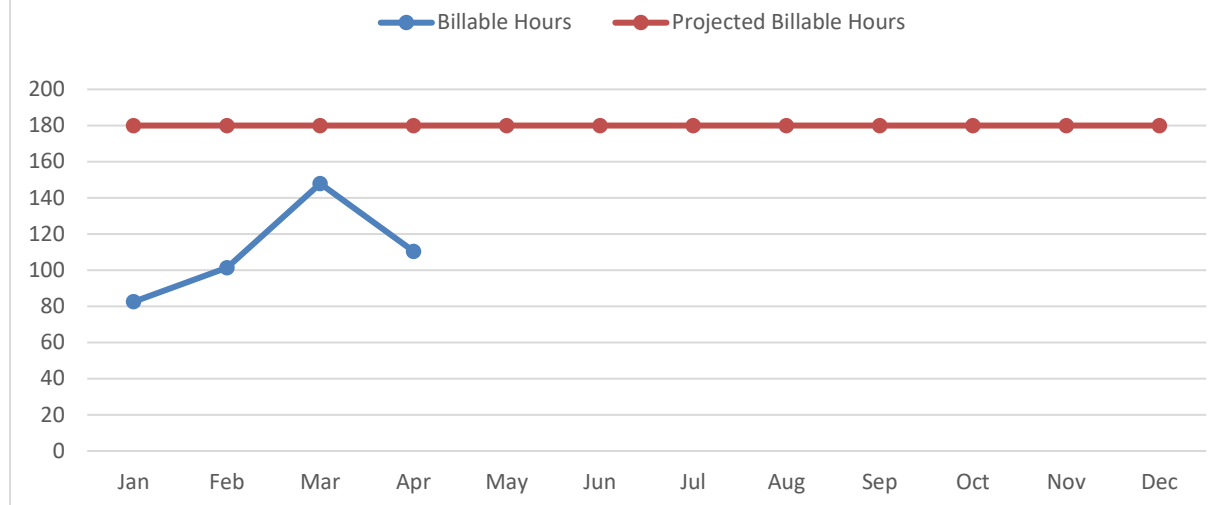
2026 Emergency Detention/ Diversions



2026 CCS Enrollment



2026 CCS Billable Activity



Potential impacts to billable hours: staff PTO, holidays, consumer needs increase or decrease, discharges, enrollments, consumer enters nonbillable status, staff time spent in alternative billable programs and scheduled required reviews.

(Data as of May 28, 2026)