



# Lambton Public Health

## 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

### LAMBTON PUBLIC HEALTH

We work to keep you, your family and our community safe and healthy.



### VISION

Our vision is that Lambton County is a community that supports all people to strive for safety, health and well-being. Lambton Public Health (LPH) is part of the Public Health Services Division within the County of Lambton. LPH works with the community to: assess, promote and protect health, prevent disease and injury, and advocate for healthy public policy.

### COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic was declared in March 2020. This forced the rapid suspension of many regular Lambton Public Health (LPH) programs and a re-prioritization and re-deployment of a significant amount of the public health workforce to deal with COVID-19 communication, surveillance, emergency management, and case and contact management.

Presented in this report are highlights from our COVID-19 pandemic response and the accountability numbers from some of the core Public Health Standards programs which continued in 2020.

### HEALTH PROMOTION & COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

The Health Promotion Team transitioned into the COVID-19 Liaison Team and responded to queries from the general public and from all community sectors, including municipalities, businesses, sports associations and interest groups related to COVID-19 guidance and regulations. The Communication Team supported risk communications for the COVID-19 pandemic and a food-borne illness outbreak. Strategies leveraged the support of provincial and local community partners and media to amplify messages.

**↑ INCREASED AWARENESS** through brand recognition, audience growth and social media post reach



**844**

**COVID-19 CASES FOLLOWED UP ON** as well as additional probable cases and high-risk contacts



**32**

**OUTBREAKS DECLARED & MANAGED**



**13.2K**

**CALLS ANSWERED**



**960**

**EMAIL RESPONSES**



**2.5M**

**UNIQUE WEBSITE PAGE VIEWS** or 3.3M overall page views with 28.7% new and 71.3% returning users



**6K**

**FACEBOOK PAGE LIKES** (from 1.6K)

### HEALTH PROTECTION

The Health Protection Team enforces regulations aimed at protecting health and conducts investigations and inspections regarding infectious disease, and environmental hazards. We offer immunizations, manage outbreaks and ensure the safety of food and water.

**2,310** FLU IMMUNIZATIONS were delivered by LPH

**181** CONFIRMED REPORTABLE DISEASE INVESTIGATIONS

**235** ANIMAL BITE INVESTIGATIONS

**500** FOOD PREMISE INSPECTIONS

**12** NON-COVID OUTBREAK INVESTIGATIONS

**161** RECREATIONAL WATER INSPECTIONS

### FAMILY HEALTH

The Family Health Team provides individuals at all stages of their life with access to services that promote healthy family living and support healthy child development. Child Health programs help give babies their best possible start, our Sexual Health services focus on healthy sexuality and harm reduction, and Oral Health programs improve dental health through screening and preventative services.



**1,800** SEXUAL HEALTH CLINIC VISITS

**554** OUTREACH VISITS TO VULNERABLE SECTORS

**710K** NEEDLES EXCHANGED

**1,419** STUDENT DENTAL SCREENINGS

**139** SENIOR DENTAL SERVICES DELIVERED

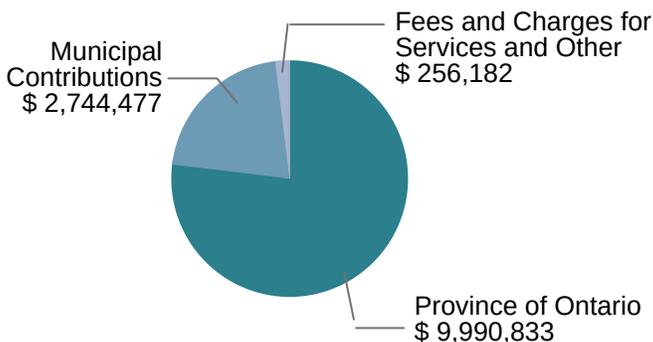
**256** KINDERGARTEN STUDENT VISION SCREENINGS

\*between January-March 2020 at 16 schools with 56 referrals to optometrists

### GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY

LPH is governed by a Board of Health (Lambton County Council) which is responsible for ensuring the provision of effective population health programs and services to meet the needs of the community. Public health funding is cost-shared between the Province of Ontario and the County of Lambton. In addition, LPH receives 100% provincial funding to support specific programs. LPH's operating budget in 2020 was \$12,991,492.

#### Revenues:



#### Expenditures:

