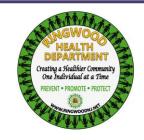


### RINGWOOD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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### MISSION

The mission of the Ringwood Health Department is to create a culture of health for everyone that lives, works, or plays in Ringwood. The Health Department accomplishes this by providing environmental stewardship, valuable health services, partnerships for health promotion, and emergency preparedness.



### **SERVICES**

The Ringwood Health Department offers the services of a licensed health officer (HO), registered environmental health specialist (REHS), public health nurse supervisor and public health nurses (PHN), certified health education specialist (CHES), board-certified pediatrician (MD), certified municipal registrar (CMR), and animal control officer (ACO). Ringwood utilizes shared services agreements for some of the services provided to keep costs down.



### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

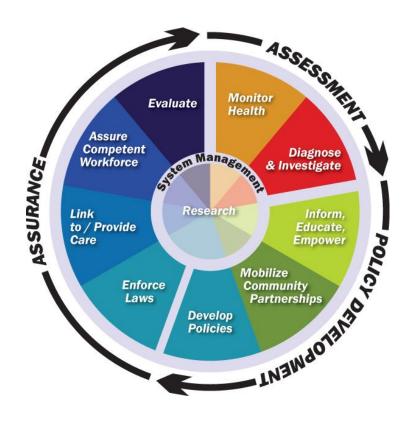
The Ringwood Board of Health (BOH) is comprised of dedicated men and women, often with advanced degrees, that bring their passion and expertise to help steer programs and policies that impact the health of this beautiful community. The BOH reviews public health trends and discusses issues and events that occur on a local, state-wide, and national level, while assessing best practices to guide the health department in meeting the 10 essential public health services.

"Ringwood New Jersey is a town and community that inspires healthy living. It has three lake associations affording socializing to destress, and swimming, sailing, and kayaking for exercise. Ringwood also has two state parks with hiking trails and gardens for enjoying nature. No streetlights or sidewalks, this is a rustic setting for easy living."

Alan Fedeli, Ringwood Board of Health

## THE 10 ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

- 1. Monitor health status to identify and solve community health problems.
- 2. Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community.
- 3. Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues.
- 4. Mobilize community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems.
- 5. Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.
- 6. Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.
- 7. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.
- 8. Assure competent public and personal health care workforce.
- 9. Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services.
- 10. Research new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.



## RINGWOOD AT A GLANCE

Square Miles	25.6
Number of Households	4,138
Population (2020 census)	11,735
Population Density	458 people/square mile
Gender	Male 48.9% Female 51.1%
Age	<18 years 22.2% 18-24 years 8.4% 25-34 years 10.5% 35-64 years 41.9% >65 years 17%
Race	White 90.7% Asian 3.3% Black or African American 1.9% 2 or More Races 1.6% American Indian and Alaska Native 0.8% Other 1.7%

### COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The Ringwood Health Department participated in the Passaic County Community Health Needs Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan for 2021 through the North Jersey Health Collaborative. The top 6 health issues identified are:

- Access to Healthy Foods and Physical Activity
- ♣ Access to Healthcare
- Chronic Disease

- ♣ End-of-Life Care
- Maternal and Child Health
- ♣ Mental Health and Substance Misuse

A complete report can be found at:

http://www.nihealthmatters.org/tiles/index/display?alias=passaicabout

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# RINGWOOD BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS

MEMBER	TERM EXPIRATION
Donna Kirby, Chairperson	12/31/2023
Verne Taukus, Vice Chairperson	12/31/2024
Alan Fedeli	12/31/2023
Melinda Leone	12/31/2022
Sarah Lenington	12/31/2023
Kimberly Maher	12/31/2023
Dr. Melissa Scollan-Koliopoulos	12/31/2024

### 2022 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

BOARD OF HEALTH
HEALTH OFFICER

#### Registered Environmental Health Specialist

- Food Surveillance
- Sewage Disposal
- Potable Water Supply
- Site Plan Review
- •Insect & Rodent Control
- Lake & Stream Pollution Control
- Camp Inspections
- Public Bathing
- •Nuisance Investigations
- •Solid Waste Investigations
- •Air Pollution Control
- Noise Control
- •Ragweed & Poison Ivv
- School Inspections
- •Food Handlers' Course

#### Public Health Nurse Supervisor & Public Health Nurses

- Child Health Clinic
- •Maternal & Child Health
- •Hypertension Screenings
- •TB Control
- •Communicable Disease Investigations
- Lead Screening
- Vaccinations
- SMAC Clinic
- Health Education
- •Stroke Screening
- Hearing/Vision Screening
- Home Visits
- Cancer Screenings
- WellnessChallenge

# Registrar of Vital Statistics

- Vital Statistics
- Birth Certificates
- Death Certificates
- Marriage Licenses
- Certified Copies

#### Health Department Administrative Assistant

- OPRA Requests
- •Document Scanning
- Dog/Cat Licenses
- Collect and Process Fees
- Permit Applications
- Dog/Cat Bite Notifications
- Septic Logs
- •Schedule Test Holes
- Answer Phones
- •File

### SHARED SERVICES

Health Education	Animal Control
Wellness Challenge	Rabies Control
Cardiovascular	Rabies Clinics
Cancer	Dog/Cat Licensing
Diabetes	Dog/Cat Canvassing
Vaping	Animal Shelter
Stigma-Free	Wildlife Management
School Programs	Quarantine

# **SARS-CoV-2 Pandemic and Mitigation Efforts**

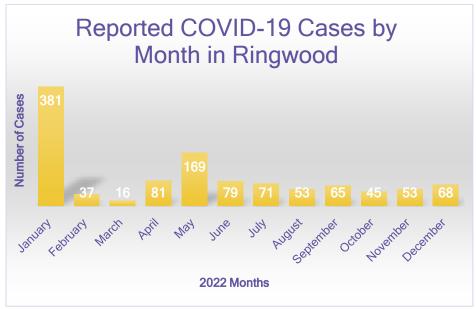


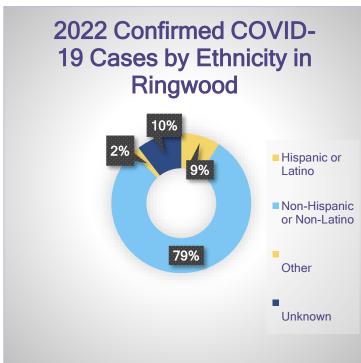
As the COVID-19 Pandemic is still a topic of conversation with new variants of interest on the rise, the Ringwood Health Department is actively working towards mitigation efforts. The Health Department has been diligently keeping up on new COVID-19 cases through an electronic reporting system called CommCare. This system allows for new cases to be populated specifically for the jurisdiction necessary; and ability to contact the positive case immediately to complete a case investigation.

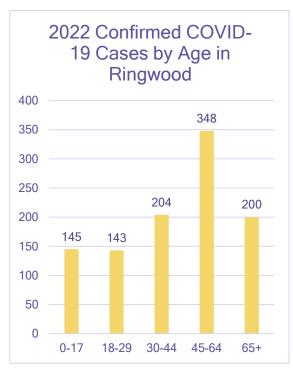
The Ringwood School District along with the local facility for developmentally disabled adults, Spectrum for Living, continued to update the Health Department regularly with any infectious disease outbreaks and sought out for guidance on isolation and quarantine. This open communication allowed for healthy relationships to build throughout the pandemic which helped to ensure a safer community.

Throughout the year, many efforts had been made on a global level to ease the spread of COVID-19. Two COVID-19 vaccine manufacturers, Pfizer and Moderna, had developed an updated bivalent booster. The updated boosters were called "bivalent" because they are created to protect against both the original SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19 and the Omicron variants: BA.4 & BA.5. Research suggests that the updated bivalent booster provided more protection against the Omicron variant compared to the monovalent vaccination.

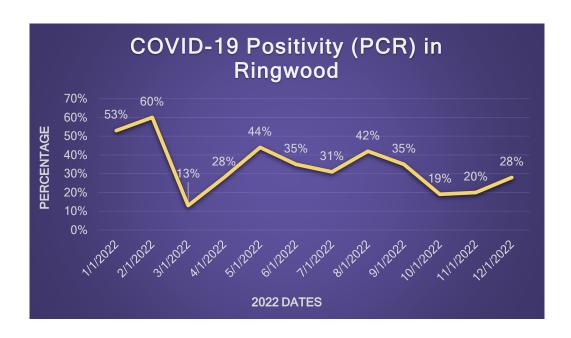
## 2022 COVID-19 DATA

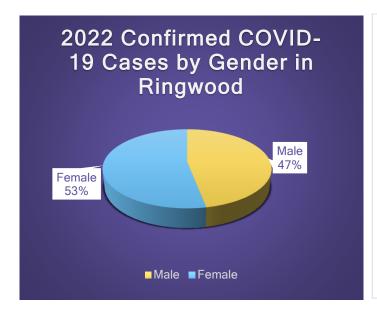


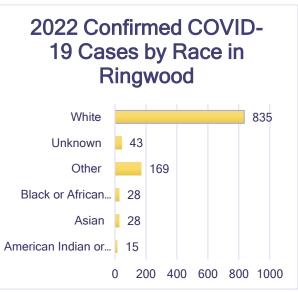




## 2022 Covid-19 Data Continued







COVID-19 Related Deaths Reported in 2022	7
Average Age of Death in 2022	75.1

#### **GRANTS:** Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity

A new grant was awarded to the Ringwood Health Department in June of 2022. The grant, Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity, is funded by the New Jersey Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This grant allowed for the health department to onboard a new position for a year, an Infectious Disease Preparedness Generalist, IDPG. The Ringwood Health Department made a professional agreement with the Centers for Family Resources; this agreement granted access to work with a full time and part time person from the Highlands Success Center. This job title is known as Local Health Outreach Coordinator, LHOC. The LHOC and IDPG duties began with conducting interviews with members of the community referred to as 'key informants' to complete a health risk needs assessment. This health risk needs assessment was an evaluation of the community and seeking out residents who were disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, influenza or Lyme Disease. The IDPG & LHOC reviewed the information found in the assessment and planned programs to mend the gaps within the community. In the fall, the Ringwood Health Department presented the first annual 'Say Boo to the Flu' hike at a local trail. Community members gathered on a beautiful fall day and hiked while receiving educational information about influenza. Prior to Thanksgiving, the IDPG & LHOC's collaborated with the Passaic County Health Department and presented a 'Turkey Stroll' for residents to walk off their future Thanksgiving Day meals at the new Hewitt Walking Path. In December, the Local Health Outreach Coordinators ran a 'Pop-Up Coat Boutique.' Community members came to the local church and dropped off new or lightly used coats and then the next day the Coat Boutique was open! The donations were overwhelming. Those in need were able to come to the church and pick out any coats needed for themselves or their families. The remainder of the coats were donated to Ukraine. These programs are just a few of the beneficial ways to incorporate education on these prominent health topics while allowing the community members to learn about the new roles granted to the Health Department. Keep checking the Ringwood Health Department and Highlands Success Center Facebook page for new programs!

## STIGMA-FREE INITIATIVE

The Borough of Ringwood was awarded a grant in 2019 from Chilton Medical Center to raise awareness and advertise valuable resources about Stigma-Free. The Stigma-Free initiative aims to reduce the stigma associated with mental health conditions and substance use disorders. Individuals who are struggling with these disorders often do not seek treatment because of the shame they feel from themselves and others. By educating our community, people will seek the treatment they deserve. We hope to mobilize family, friends, and neighbors to offer compassion and support.



In April of 2022, the Ringwood Health Department, in collaboration with Caldwell University Community Nursing Students, provided a program to the fifth-grade students in Ringwood called "Flying Back to Normal," explaining the importance of mental health and well-being. The program was created to teach about different methods of coping and finding a safe space to fly away from different stigmas toward mental health. According to the Mental Health Association, the monarch butterfly represents mental health. The development of the butterfly was used to demonstrate the steps of flying away from stigma. The egg represents isolation and withdrawal from others; a caterpillar represents inching towards positivity and developing new coping techniques such as speaking with family and friends; a cocoon represents self-growth and harvesting, working to become the best version of oneself. The students enjoyed this program and learned different ways to cope with different stressors in a healthier way.



#### **HEALTH EDUCATION AND PROMOTION**

Health Education is provided under the guidance of the Public Health Nurse Supervisor. Programs and screenings are provided by the Ringwood Health Department, Atlantic Health System's Corporate Health, and in collaboration with partners such as the Ringwood Public Library, William Paterson University, and Montclair State University.

Activity	# of Sessions	# of Participants	Location(s)
Dental Health Lesson	4	65	Christ The King Kradle 2 Kindergarten
Handwashing Lesson	4	55	Christ The King Kradle 2 Kindergarten
Heart Health Day	1	7	Ambulance Corps
Heart Health Day: Blood Pressure Screening	1	5	Ambulance Corps
Heart Health Day: Yoga	1	7	Ambulance Corps
Heart Health Lesson	1	25	Christ The King
Hearing Screening	1	23	Ringwood Clinic
Oral Cancer Screening	1	13	Ringwood Clinic
Safe Sitter	2	16	Little Beach Clubhouse
Skin Cancer Screening	1	27	Ringwood Clinic
Vision & Glaucoma Test	1	16	Ringwood Clinic

Activity	# of Sessions	# of Participants	Location(s)
Webinar: Aerodynamics of Viral Transmission	1	268	Virtual Zoom
Wellness Challenge (WC): Kick-Off	1	22	Ringwood Skate Park
Wellness Challenge Finale	1	26	Ringwood Public Library
WC: Fuel for Exercise & Recovery	1	15	Ringwood Public Library
WC: Healthy Breakfast Ideas	1	20	Ringwood Public Library
WC: Healthy Desserts	1	10	Ringwood Public Library
WC: Healthy Hydration	1	10	Ringwood Public Library
WC: Hiking	6	83	Cooper Yellow Union Trail Puppy Rock Trail
WC: Mindful Meditation	7	64	Ringwood Skate Park
WC: Plant-based Meals	1	17	Ringwood Public Library
WC: Yoga	5	74	Ringwood Skate Park
WC: Zumba	6	112	Ambulance Corps

# Health Education Services in Chronological Order

Date	Event	Type of Event	Participants	Location
February 11, 2022	Handwashing Lesson: 3 sessions	Program	40	Kradle 2 Kindergarten
February 11, 2022	Dental Lesson: 3 sessions	Program	40	Kradle 2 Kindergarten
February 12, 2022	Heart Health Day	Program	7	Ambulance Corps
February 12, 2022	Heart Health Day- Blood Pressure Screening	Program	5	Ambulance Corps
February 12, 2022	Heart Health Day- Yoga	Program	7	Ambulance Corps
February 17, 2022	Handwashing Lesson	Program	15	Christ The King
February 18, 2022	Heart Health Lesson	Program	25	Christ The King
March 2, 2022	Dental Health Lesson	Program	25	Christ The King
March 24, 2022	Webinar: Aerodynamics of Viral Transmission	Program	268	Virtual/Zoom
April 21, 2022	Safe Sitter Course	Program	8	Ringwood Public Library
June 20, 2022	Wellness Challenge (WC): Kick-Off	Program	22	Ringwood Skate Park

Date	Event	Type of Event	Participants	Location
June 20, 2022	WC: Mindful Walk	Program	12	Ringwood Skate Park
June 21, 2022	WC: Zumba	Program	20	Ambulance Corps
June 23, 2022	WC: Mindful Meditation	Program	3	Ringwood Skate Park
June 25, 2022	WC: Hiking	Program	13	Cooper Yellow Union Trail
June 27, 2022	WC: Healthy Breakfast Ideas	Program	20	Ringwood Public Library
June 28, 2022	WC: Zumba	Program	21	Ambulance Corps
June 29, 2022	WC: Yoga	Program	16	Ringwood Skate Park
June 30, 2022	WC: Mindful Meditation	Program	11	Ringwood Skate Park
June 30, 2022	Skin Cancer Screening (Free)	Screening	27	Ringwood Clinic
July 2, 2022	Wellness Challenge (WC): Hiking	Program	13	Cooper Yellow Union Trail
July 5, 2022	WC: Zumba	Program	19	Ambulance Corps
July 6, 2022	WC: Yoga	Program	15	Ringwood Skate Park

Date	Event	Type of Event	Participants	Location
July 7, 2022	WC: Mindful Meditation	Program	8	Ringwood Skate Park
July 7, 2022	WC: Fuel for Exercise & Recovery	Program	15	Ringwood Public Library
July 9, 2022	WC: Hiking	Program	15	Puppy Rock Trail
July 12, 2022	WC: Zumba	Program	16	Ambulance Corps
July 13, 2022	WC: Yoga	Program	12	Ringwood Skate Park
July 14, 2022	WC: Mindful Meditation	Program	10	Ringwood Skate Park
July 14, 2022	WC: Healthy Hydration	Program	10	Ringwood Public Library
July 16, 2022	WC: Hiking	Program	12	Puppy Rock Trail
July 18, 2022	Safe Sitter	Program	8	Little Beach Clubhouse
July 18, 2022	WC: Plant-based Meals	Program	17	Ringwood Public Library
July 19, 2022	WC: Zumba	Program	20	Ambulance Corps
July 20, 2022	WC: Yoga	Program	16	Ringwood Skate Park

Date	Event	Type of Event	Participants	Location
July 21, 2022	WC: Mindful Meditation	Program	9	Ringwood Skate Park
July 21, 2022	Vision & Glaucoma Test (Free)	Screening	16	Ringwood Clinic
July 23, 2022	WC: Hiking	Program	13	Cooper Yellow Union Trail
July 25, 2022	WC: Healthy Desserts	Program	10	Ringwood Public Library
July 26, 2022	WC: Zumba	Program	16	Ambulance Corps
July 27, 2022	WC: Yoga	Program	15	Ringwood Skate Park
July 28, 2022	WC: Mindful Meditation	Program	11	Ringwood Skate Park
July 30, 2022	WC: Hiking	Program	17	Puppy Rock Trail
August 1, 2022	Oral Cancer Screening (Free)	Screening	13	Ringwood Clinic
August 2, 2022	Hearing Screening (Free)	Screening	23	Ringwood Clinic
August 4, 2022	Wellness Challenge Finale	Program	26	Ringwood Public Library

#### PHOTOS FROM HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS



Summer Wellness Challenge: Yoga



Summer Wellness Challenge: Hike



"Say Boo to the Flu" Hike



Coat Drive: Community Presbyterian Church



"Say Boo to the Flu Hike"



Summer Wellness Challenge: Zumba

### **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING**

Public Health Nursing is the practice of promoting and protecting the health of populations using knowledge from nursing, social, and public health sciences. The Public Health Nurse Supervisor coordinates and provides services for all age groups in Ringwood. These services include health screenings, well-child check-ups, pediatric and adult immunizations, school immunization audits, communicable disease investigations, home visits to vulnerable individuals, and emergency preparedness. A board-certified Pediatrician provides services for the Child Health Clinic, and per diem public health nurses and other health professionals aid the Public Health Supervisor in many screenings and clinics. This year we were excited to move into a new space for our clinics, as seen in the photo below.







After 27 years of operation out of the Center for Family Resources (CFFR), the Child Health Clinic has been relocated to an office in the Ringwood Commons, 55 Skyline Drive Suite 203.

The Ringwood Health Department wants to thank the CFFR for giving their clinic a home and the many years of partnership. The Ringwood Health Department looks forward to increasing their program offerings in the new location.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE**

	20	019	20	20	2	021		2022
Program	Sessions	Participants	Sessions	Participants	Sessions	Participants	Sessions	Participants
Child Health Clinic	8	39	6	21	7	33	7	18
Pediatric Immunizations	8	49	-	73	-	57	1	48
Blood Pressure Screening	7	25	2	20	2	12	6	22
Heart Health Screening	1	13	1	25	-	-	1	5
Know Your Numbers	4	137	1	39	-	-	1	-
Stroke Screening	1	12	1	17	-	-	1	5
Skin Cancer Screening	1	25	-	-	-	-	1	18
TB Screening	-	25	-	19	-	26	-	28
Adult Immunizations	-	178	1	175	-	251	1	148
School Immunization Audits	11	-	11	-	6	-	-	6
Blood-Borne Pathogen Training	2	77	1	-	1	26	1	12
Home Visits	-	8	-	18	-	115	-	17
Communicable Disease Investigations	ı	145	ı	960	-	2133	-	2732
Referrals for Medical	-	7	-	4	-	2	-	3

	20	019	20	20	2	021		2022
Program	Sessions	Participants	Sessions	Participants	Sessions	Participants	Sessions	Participants
Anti-Vaping Counseling	-	4	- 1	-	-	-	-	1
Anti-Vaping Education	-	1	1	-	1	160	1	26
Stress Management with WPU Peer Health Advocates	-	ı	ı	-	1	4	-	-
Injury Prevention: Bike Safety Sammy's Law Safe Sitter	-	1	1	-	3	82	1	16
Art Program with WPU Peer Health Advocates & IDPG	-	ı	-	-	-	-	5	300
Sugar freed Campaign	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	300
Vision Screening	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	17
Hearing Screening	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	23
Oral Cancer Screening	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	12

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

Environmental health is the branch of public health concerned with monitoring or mitigating those factors in the environment that affect human health and disease. All aspects of the natural and built environment are monitored by a Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) that has gone through extensive training and licensure. Timely inspections of retail food establishments, septic systems, lakes, camps, and public health nuisances are conducted. Local and state regulations, such as Chapter 24 (N.J.A.C. 8:24) "Sanitation in Retail Food Establishments and Food and Beverage Vending Machines" are enforced. Environmental stewardship through education and grant activities help to maintain the pristine beauty of the New Jersey Highlands Region.

#### Retail Food Establishments

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of Licensed Food Establishments	48	51	51	62
# of Retail Food Establishment Plans Reviewed	1	1	1	3
# of Pre-Operational Inspections	1	1	1	3
# of Routine Inspections	96	67	67	81
# of Establishments Requiring Enforcement	0	0	0	0

# Youth Camps

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of Pre-Operational Inspections	2	2	2	2
# of Routine Inspections	1	1	2	1
# of Emergency and Complaint-Related Inspections	0	0	0	0

# Recreational Bathing

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of Licensed Seasonal Facilities	8	8	8	8
# of Pre-Operational Inspections	8	8	8	6
# of Routine Inspections	8	8	8	8

# Onsite Wastewater Disposal Systems

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of New System Permits Issued	1	1	5	1
# of Repair Permits Issued	73	94	71	57
# of Alteration Permits Issued	66	48	65	42
# of Systems in Ringwood	4200 (approx.)	4200 (approx.)	4200 (approx.)	4200 (approx.)
# of Pumping Permits	-	707	715	752
# of Realty Transfer System Reports Reviewed	225	234	160	115

# Public Health Nuisance Complaints

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of Complaints Received	50	22	18	23
# of Complaints Investigated	50	22	18	23
# of Complaints that Required Enforcement	30	14	16	9

# Other Inspections

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of Beauty Salons Inspected	7	7	7	7
Kennels/Shelters	-	2	3	2

# Registered Environmental Health Specialist: Zachary Faiola



# **Healthy Lakes Campaign**



One of the many great things Ringwood has to offer is our beautiful lakes. To ensure our lakes stay healthy for our residents, visitors, and wildlife the health department began an awareness campaign. We began with launching a website where residents can find resources on how they can protect our waterbodies with proper septic and lawn maintenance. To help find the website we sent out postcards directing residents to the website and reminding them to pump their septic tanks.

Ads were placed on Facebook and Instagram from July through August. We were able to reach 80% of the audience targeted in our social media efforts.

At the end of the campaign in August we saw a 54% increase in pumping compared to the year prior. We look forward to continuing and expanding the campaign on 2023.





learn more at ringwoodhealthylakes.net.

### ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control Services are provided through a shared services agreement with the Borough of Bloomingdale. With the oversight of the Animal Control Officer (ACO), Lisa Perry, and her staff, they provide compassionate and competent services for domestic pets and wildlife. Services include support with animal licensing, canvassing and enforcement; rabies control through rabies vaccine clinics, enforcement of state and local laws, and investigation of suspected cases of rabies; responding to calls about strays or animals in distress; and all other requests related to animals. An annual free rabies clinic is held each year in November to vaccinate dogs and cats. Annual licensure of dogs/cats is required each year by January 31st.



Borough of Bloomingdale Animal Control serving North Jersey Communities 101 Hamburg Tpke Bloomingdale, NJ 07403 P. 973 838-8959 F. 973 838-7548

2022/ 2023 RABIES CLINIC SCHEDULE

RINGWOOD

NOV 5TH 9AM - 11AM

DPW GARAGE (Margaret King Ave)

## **ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES**

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of Dogs Licensed	1692	1611	1577	1504
# of Cats Licensed	404	379	369	345
# of Rabies Vaccines Given at Clinic	250	225	198	220
# of Incidents Where an Animal Bit a Human	20	7	16	11
# of Incidents Where a Rabid or Suspected Rabid Animal Bit a Human	1	0	0	2
# of Incidents Where a Rabid or Suspected Rabid Animal Bit a Domestic Animal	0	1	0	0
# of Unimmunized Domestic Animals Confined for Rabies Observation After Biting a Person or Animal	0	0	0	0



### **Vital Statistics**

Vital statistics pertain to the record keeping of births, deaths and marriages that occur in Ringwood. They are provided through the services of a Certified Municipal Registrar, Deputy Registrar and Alternate Registrar. Services encompass marriage and civil union licenses, birth certificates and death certificates. Certified copies of the above are obtained at the Health Department.

Key Facts & Activities	2019 Data	2020 Data	2021 Data	2022 Data
# of Marriage or Civil Union Licenses Application	59	54	69	52
# of Certified Copies Issued for Marriage	172	234	209	213
# of Ringwood Home Birth Certificates	1	0	1	1
# of Certificates Certified Copies Issued for Birth	11	5	4	4
# of Certificate Certified Copies Issued for Death	36	6	8	21
Total # of Certified Copies Issued	219	245	221	238

#### **FUN FACT:**

The estimate median age to marry for the first time in 2022 was 30.1 for men and 28.2 for women, up from 23.7 for men and 20.5 women respectively, in 1947.

### **2023 GOALS**

The Ringwood Health Department strives to maintain the highest level of service to our community. We will continue to provide robust health programs and oversight of the environment. While maintaining current services, we will also set goals for the upcoming year that positively impact the health of our residents and the environment.

#### **GOALS**

Expand Summer Wellness Challenge into Other Seasons.

Create Programs to Foster Resiliency in Youth.

Provide Stigma Free Education on Suicide Prevention.

Educate and Empower Residents to Protect Healthy Lakes.

Increase the Number of Septic Systems Pumped.



**Ringwood Health Department Staff**