



RAPPAHANNOCK- RAPIDAN HEALTH DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT



Warrenton, VA

VDH VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH
*To protect the health and promote the
well-being of all people in Virginia.*

FISCAL YEAR 2022

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***Unless otherwise noted, all data provided is from Fiscal Year (FY) 2022: July 1, 2021 - June 30,2022**

ABOUT RRHD

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Who We Are

The Rappahannock-Rapidan Health District (RRHD) is one of 35 health districts within The Virginia Department of Health (VDH). We encompass 5 localities- Culpeper, Fauquier, Madison, Orange, and Rappahannock- and serve over 179, 000 people.

Our Mission

Our mission is to attain optimal health for the people of our community through disease prevention, environmental safeguards and health promotion.

Our Locations

Culpeper County Health Department

640 Laurel St.
Culpeper, VA 22701
540-829-7350

Fauquier County Health Department

330 Hospital Dr.
Warrenton, VA 20186
540-347-6400

Madison County Health Department

1480 N. Main St.
Suite A
Madison, VA 22727
540-948-5481

Orange County Health Department

450 N. Madison Rd.
Orange, VA 22960
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Orange County Environmental Health

128 W. Main St.
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Orange, VA 22960
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Rappahannock County Health Department

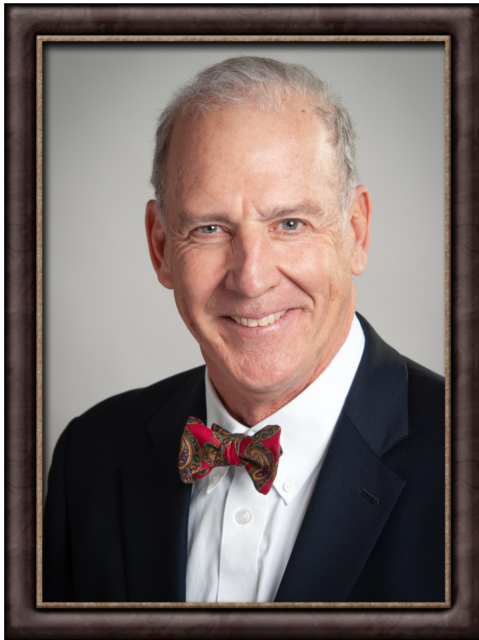
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A LETTER FROM OUR DIRECTOR

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Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 presented many new opportunities and challenges for the Rappahannock-Rapidan Health District (RRHD). While the early part of our year was spent in the COVID-19 response efforts, we reopened many clinical services and added a new campaign on Mpox (formerly known as monkeypox). Our environmental health program also grew compared to the prior year. During the FY 2022, RRHD had 94 dedicated team members whose numbers included 64 wage and classified employees and 30 contractors.

We started out FY 2022 with a surge in COVID-19 cases and provided a series of booster vaccines for all ages. Our community health, nursing, environmental health, and emergency response teams all joined to host community-based vaccine clinics. We also provided the community with COVID-19 test kits and partnered with pharmacies to provide vaccinations throughout the health district.

We increased other outreach efforts, including community presentations and events where staff provided free trigger locks and Narcan. We worked to address social determinants of health by placing community health workers in each of our county's free clinics. Our commitment to serve all was enhanced by Spanish speakers at our outreach events and translators in our offices. We also provided Rabies support to our hospitals, animal control, farmers, and citizens.

In January 2022, the district experienced a change in leadership when Dr. Colin Greene was called to Richmond to serve as the Commissioner of Health for the Virginia Department of Health. We greatly appreciate the service Dr. Greene provided to our district. He continues to lead us from Richmond.

Learn more about our past year accomplishments in this 2022 Annual Report.

L. Trice Gravatte, IV MD
Health Director, Rappahannock-Rapidan Health District
Virginia Department of Health

COVID-19 RESPONSE

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This year brought our small but mighty team to more outreach and community-based events to help ensure access to all residents, with a special focus on children and those with individualized care needs.

**> 10,000
COVID-19 AT-HOME
TEST KITS
DISTRIBUTED**

**11,072
VACCINES
ADMINISTERED BY
RRHD STAFF**

COVID-19 RESPONSE

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On July 15, 2021, the delta variant was declared a variant of concern due to increased transmissibility, and quickly became dominate throughout the world. Locally, case counts began to rise in September 2021 with 75-100 new cases reported daily. Cases peaked in January 2022 with approximately 7,700 cases reported in a single month. COVID containment staff also investigated a total of 263 COVID-19 related deaths and 47 COVID-19 outbreaks.

**Total COVID-19 Test Results
Reported (does not include
at-home tests that were
not proctored):**

241,475

**24,604
REPORTED COVID-19 CASES**

Culpeper: 7,392

Fauquier: 9,266

Madison: 1,912

Orange: 5,272

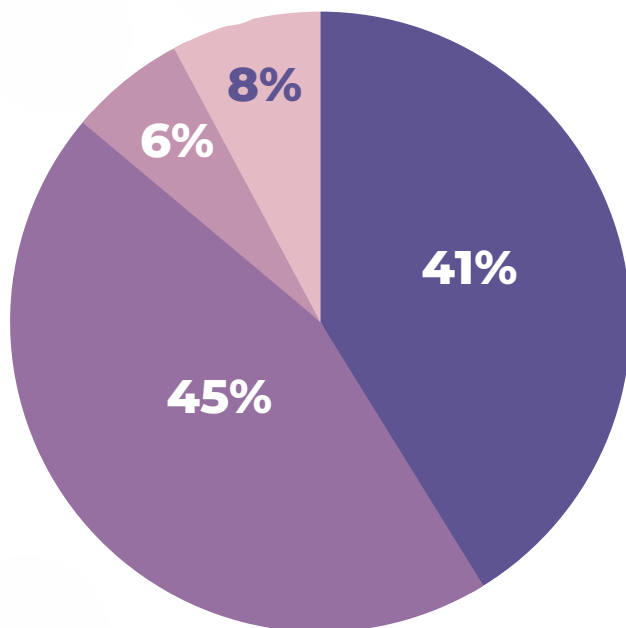
Rappahannock: 762

CLINICAL SERVICES

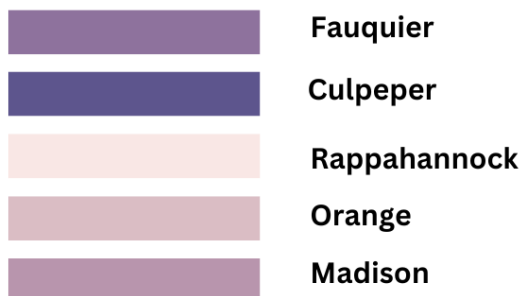
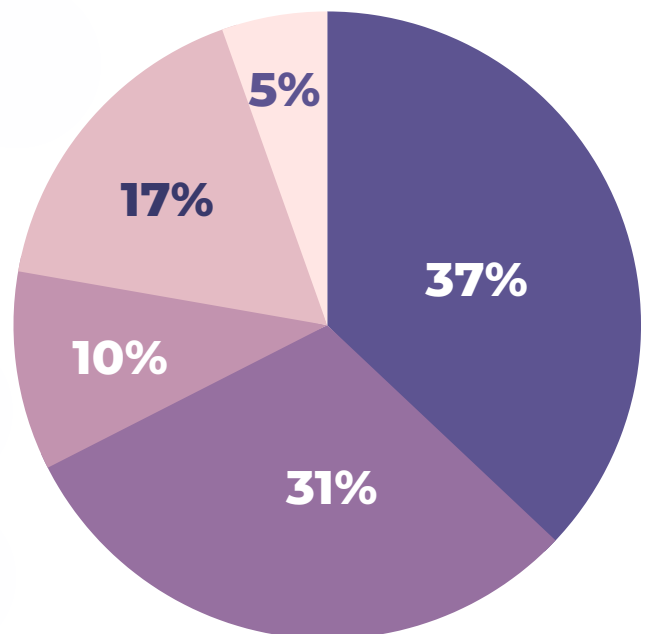
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Clinical Services are available to all RRHD residents, including teens, regardless of insurance status. Services include but are not limited to family planning, immunizations, evaluations for tuberculosis and sexually transmitted infections. Staff offer screenings for residents eligible and approved for Medicaid who are requesting at-home care or care in licensed facility.

**Family Planning Visits
(1,202 Total)**



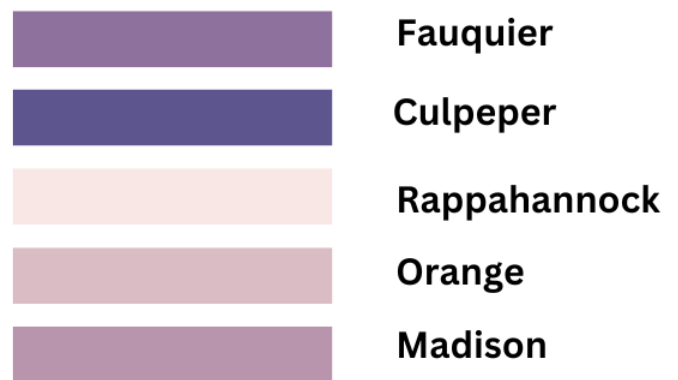
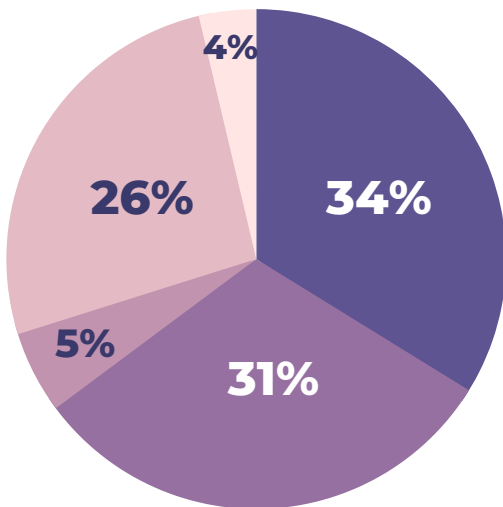
**Immunizations
(2,409 Total)**



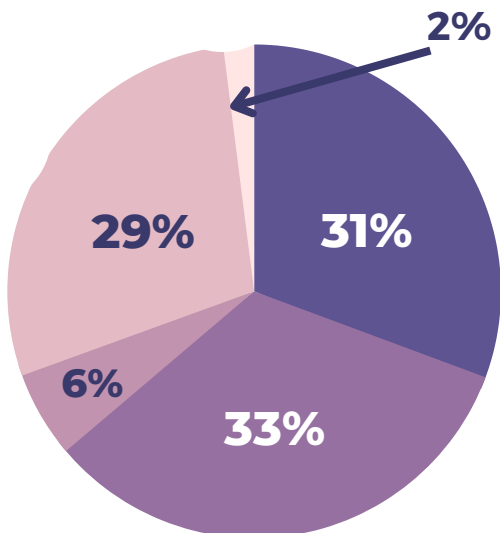
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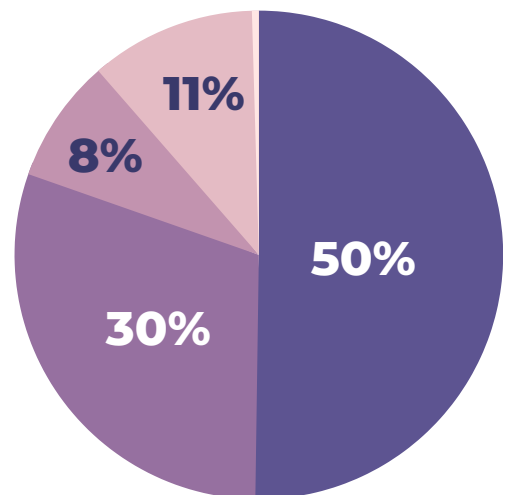
Long-term Services & Support (Pre-nursing home) Screenings (432 Total)



TB Visits/Screenings (848 Total)



Sexual Health Visits (219 Total)



Rappahannock: 0.5%

EPIDEMIOLOGY

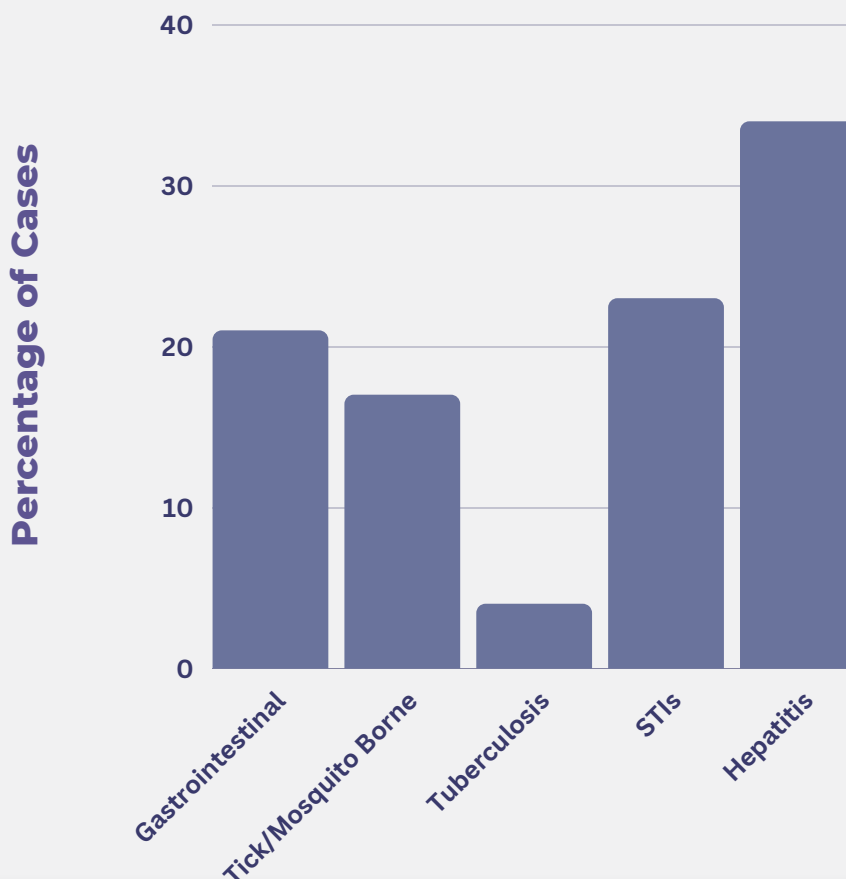
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The Epidemiology Team works to prevent and control the spread of illness by investigating reportable diseases, suspected foodborne illnesses, and outbreaks. Staff interview patients to help determine possible sources or exposures, and provide education to reduce further transmission.

There were 52 total outbreaks recorded in the Virginia Outbreak Surveillance System.

- 49 respiratory
- 3 gastrointestinal

The 49 respiratory outbreaks were caused by SARS-CoV-2 (47), Influenza (1), Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) (1). 2 gastrointestinal outbreaks were caused by Norovirus and 1 outbreak for which the agent could not be identified.



605
Reportable
Disease Cases
Investigated

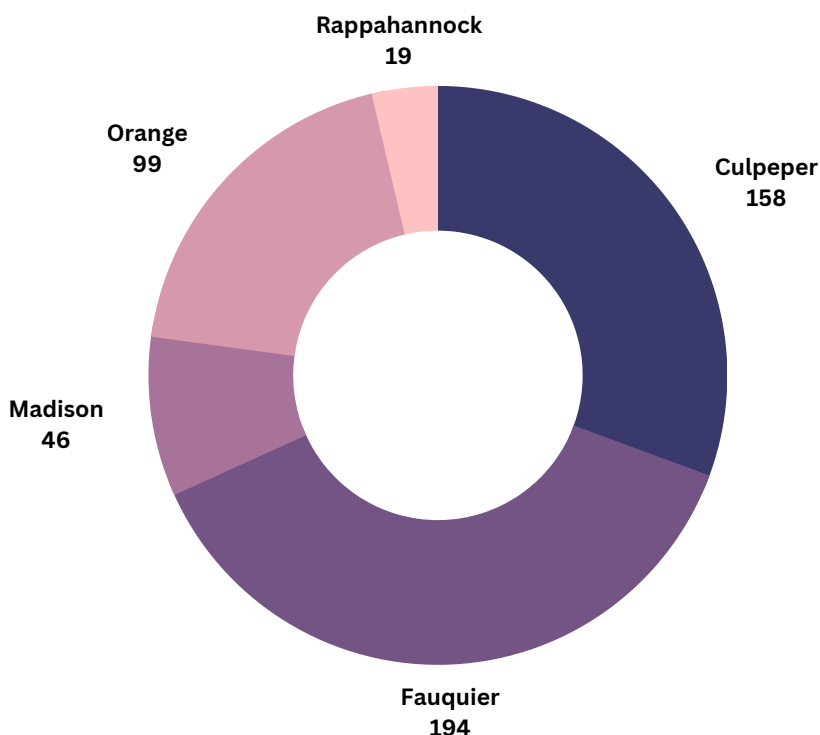
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

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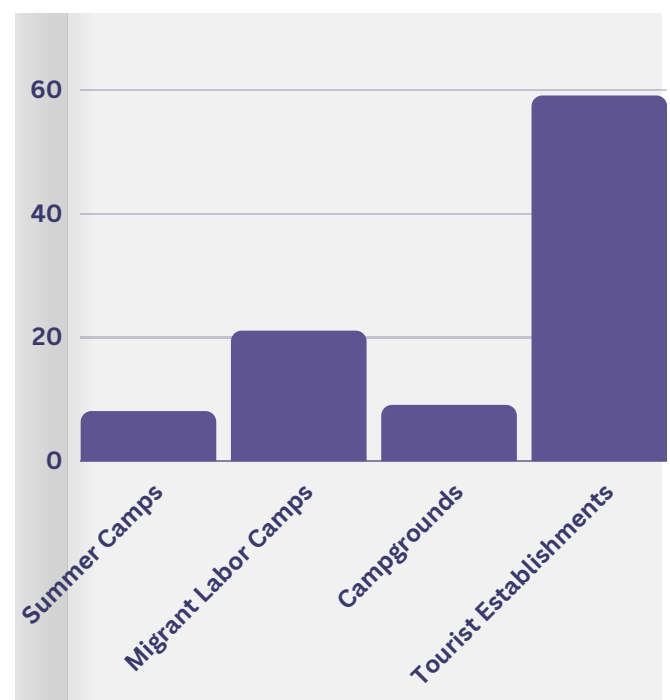
The RRHD Environmental Health Division includes a wide range of programs that include food safety, consumer services, land divisions, onsite sewage and water, and rabies prevention. Our team of 13 staff consists of 8 Environmental Health Specialists, 2 Environmental Health Technical Specialists, 2 Environmental Health Supervisors, and 1 Environmental Health Manager.

While much of our daily work includes regulatory permitting, inspections, and compliance monitoring, we also strive to provide educational outreach to our community and to be a trusted source of information.

Food Establishment Permits as of 12/22



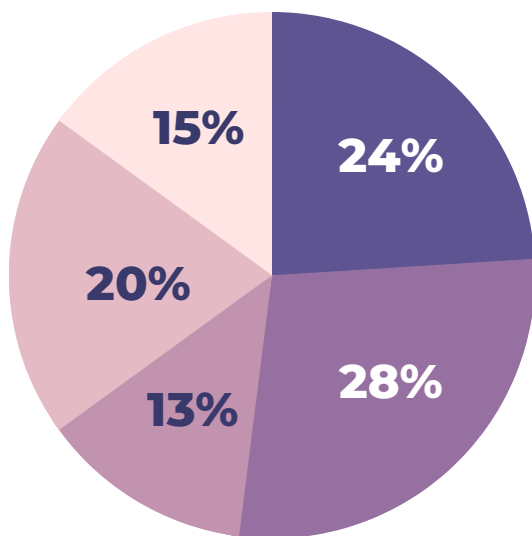
Permitted Businesses as of 12/22



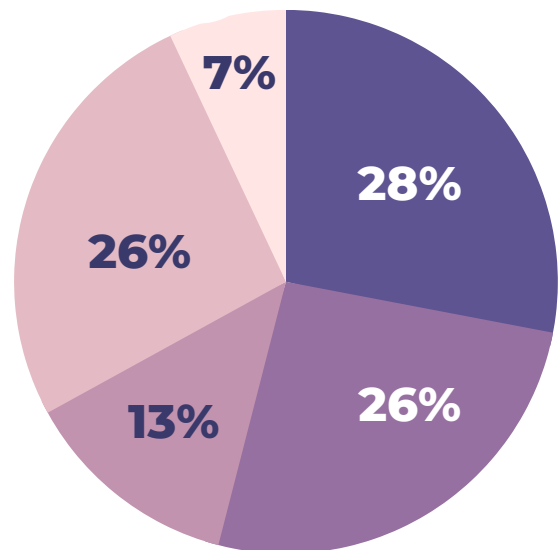
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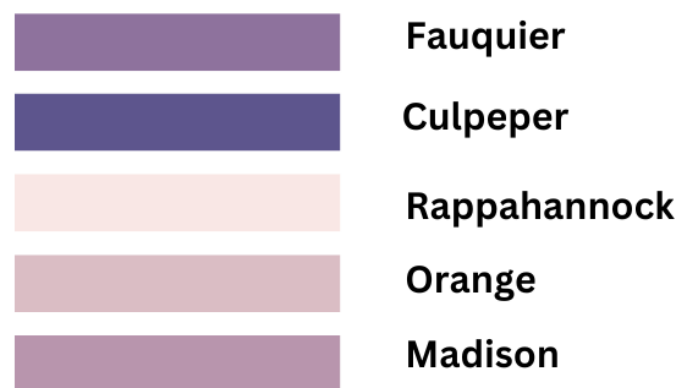
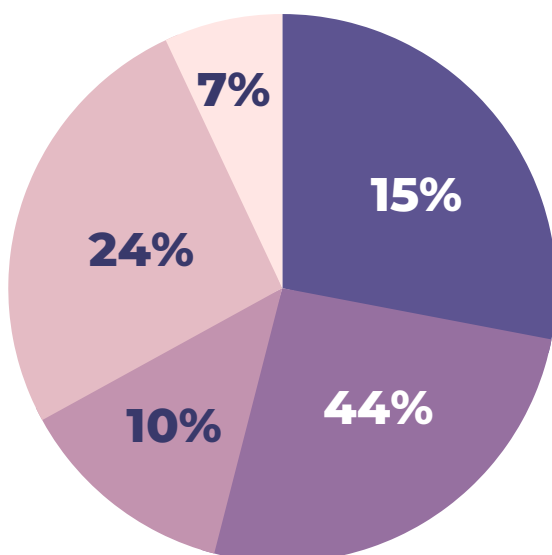
**Onsite Sewage Applications
(1,135 Total)**



**Private Well Applications
(787 Total)**



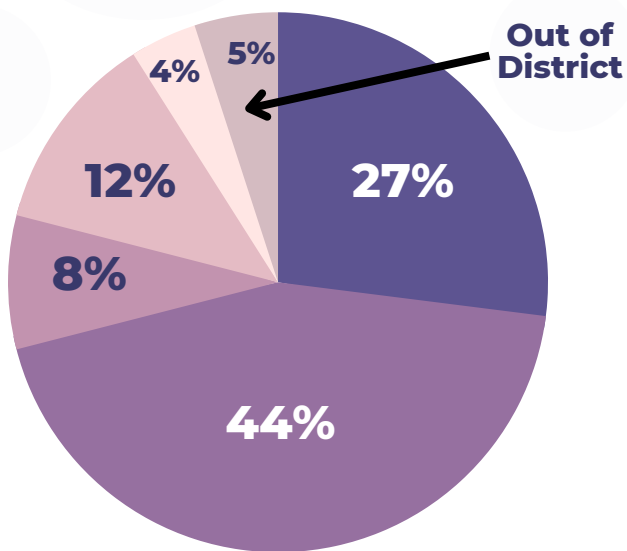
Lot Reviews (127 Total)



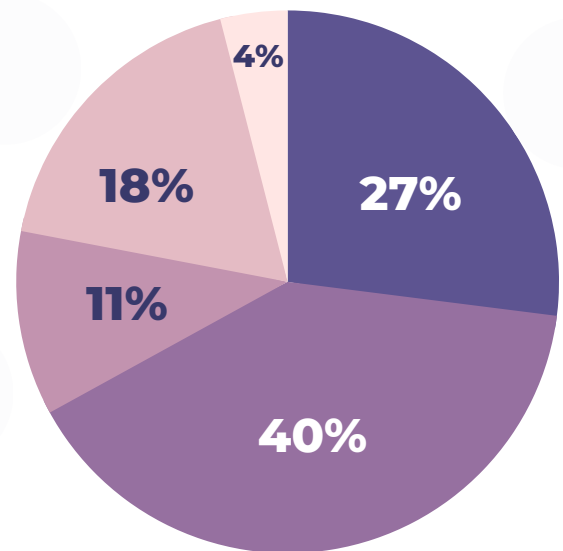
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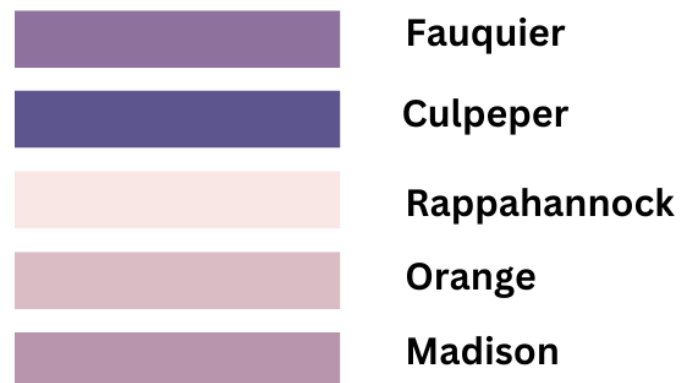
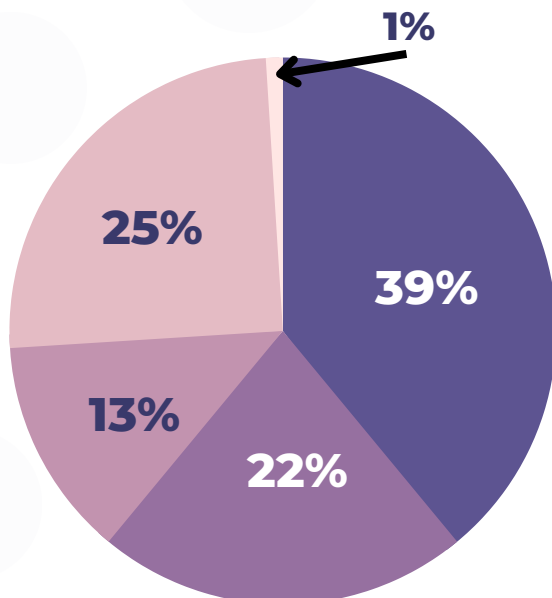
**Rabies Investigations
(586 Total)**



**Food Establishment
Inspections (648 Total)**



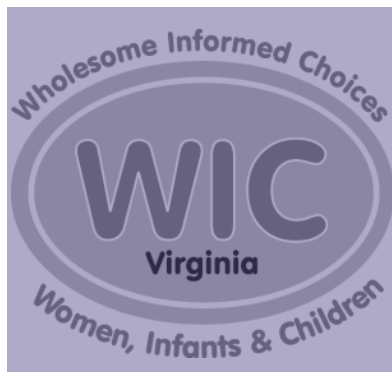
**Environmental Complaint
Investigations (98 Total)**



MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH AND WIC

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The Women, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Program provides high quality nutrition care and food to participants, as well as breastfeeding support. Services are provided to pregnant, post-partum or breastfeeding women, infants under one year of age, and children under five years of age. Additionally, we provide car seat safety and safe sleep education to our clients with car seat and cribette distribution (must apply and meet income restrictions).



**Women, Infants, and
Children (WIC) Monthly
Caseload:
2,137**

**Car Seat
Distribution
Total: 47**

**Safe Sleep Crib
Distribution
Total: 22**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & HARM REDUCTION

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community Health Workers (CHWs) help our residents receive the services they need. They meet people where they live, learn, work, play and pray. CHWs assist residents with many things that affect their physical and mental well-being.

70
**Community Events
Attended**

Number of CHWs:
Free Clinics: **4**
Hero's Bridge: **1**
Health Departments: **2**

464
**Trigger
Locks
Distributed**

Narcan Distributed: 202

Culpeper: **127**
Fauquier: **35**
Madison: **2**
Orange: **35**
Rappahannock: **3**

Harm Reduction programs aim to reduce negative impacts associated with drug use through public health intervention. RRHD provides Naloxone (Narcan) free of charge to prevent fatal opioid overdoses.

medical
reserve
corps

MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS

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The Rappahannock-Rapidan Medical Reserve Corps (RRMRC) was established in 2003 and is one of 22 units across Virginia. The RRMRC is a force of dedicated volunteers who are prepared to support our community in the event of a public health emergency. Their contribution was instrumental in our local response to COVID-19. In non-emergent times RRMRC volunteers complete training, promote preparedness, attend community events, and support public health initiatives in our community.

101

Deployed Volunteers

518

Active Members

- **64 Support Volunteers**
- **37 Medical Volunteers**
- **8 Volunteer Vaccinators**

1,047 HOURS

**Training &
Deployment**

\$32,248
**Workforce
Savings**

211

Deployments

95 EVENTS

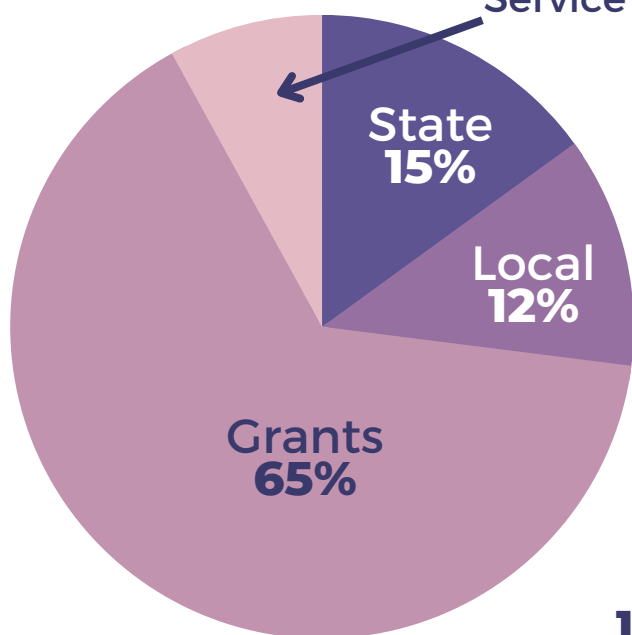
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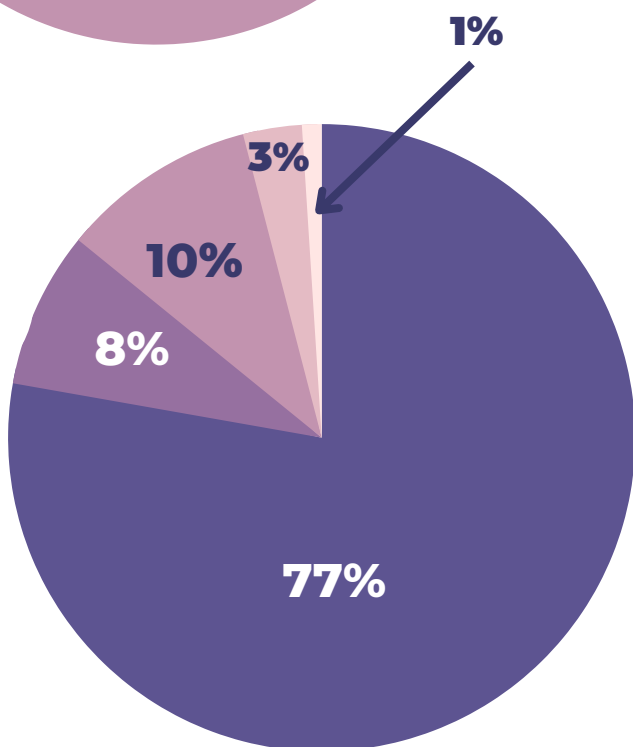
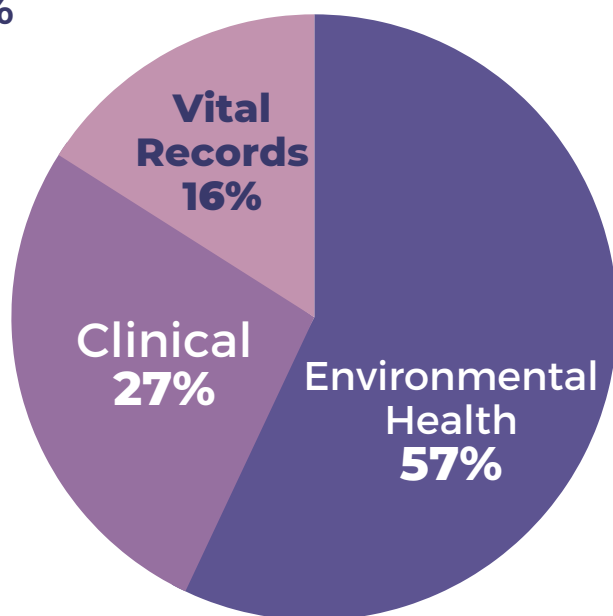
\$14,075,836

Service Revenue: 8%



Service Revenue

\$1,173,533



Expenditures

\$7,848,156

