

Public Health

Our Commitment to Lubbock

Our mission is to improve and protect the health of our community by providing holistic services founded on evidence-based practices. We strive to bridge the gap in assistance for the underserved, facilitate community partnerships, and advocate physical and social wellness.

Our vision is to be the catalyst of a citywide collaboration that empowers citizens to prioritize, achieve, and maintain optimal health.



What is Public Health?

Public health is the work of protecting and improving the health of people in communities. While hospitals and clinics treat people who are sick, public health works to keep people from getting sick in the first place. It's the work that often happens in the background such as tracking disease outbreaks, making sure restaurants are safe, connecting people to services, and preparing our community to respond when emergencies arise. When public health is working well, most people never notice it.

Think about it this way: when you get a flu shot, drink clean water, or eat at a restaurant with a clean inspection score, public health made that possible. When a disease outbreak is caught early and contained before it spreads, that's public health. When someone who doesn't know where to turn finds their way to care, that's public health too. Public health also complements the health care system by addressing gaps in care when private care is unavailable or financially out of reach.

At Lubbock Public Health, that work looks like immunizations, STI testing and treatment, HIV services, behavioral health support and disease surveillance — among others. We serve people across the full spectrum of need, and our clinical services are a core part of how we do that.

Lubbock Public Health is a city-county department funded through a combination of local tax dollars, state funding, and federal grants that support programs across all of these service areas. Local investment is the foundation that holds everything together — it gives us the flexibility to respond to the unexpected, fill gaps that grant funding doesn't cover, and keep our doors open for everyone in this community regardless of their ability to pay.

Public health infrastructure isn't visible the way a road or a fire station is, but it is just as essential. The team at Lubbock Public Health is here every day — ready to serve, ready to respond, and committed to keeping our community healthy.

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