

Galion City Board of Health Environmental Division Monthly Report for February 2019

Accreditation

I have been spending time on Domain 1 when I am able to.

Food Safety

All required food inspections for the 2018 licensing year are complete. I licensed a new micro market at Galion LLC on 2-28-19. New food rule updates go into effect 3-1-19, and we have notified the licensed operators of this in the newsletter by mail and email. I have been very busy updating food files and processing licenses.

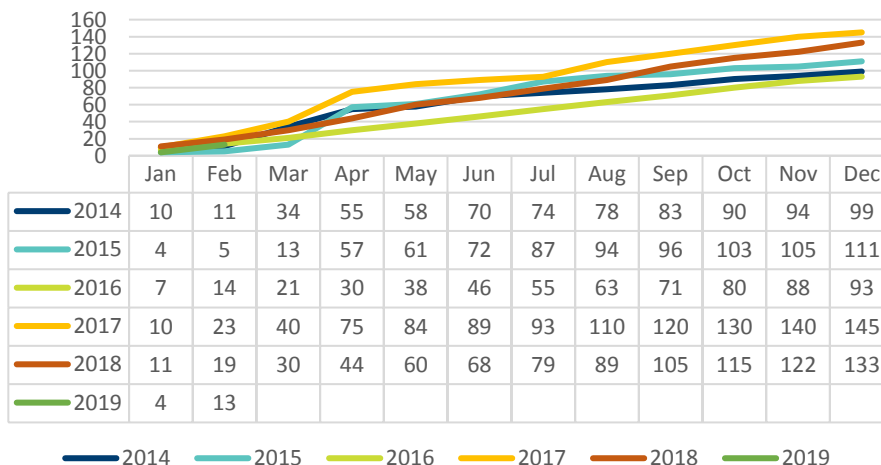
General Environmental Health

The mosquito control grant was submitted to the Ohio EPA on February 15, 2019. We should hear from them sometime in March as to whether or not we receive this funding. We requested \$14,550.

Public Health Nuisances

There were 9 new nuisance complaints in February. I am trying to use the HealthSpace tracking system for nuisances this year. I think after this year, we will decide if HDIS or HealthSpace is the better system for nuisances.

Public Health Nuisances, Cumulative Total

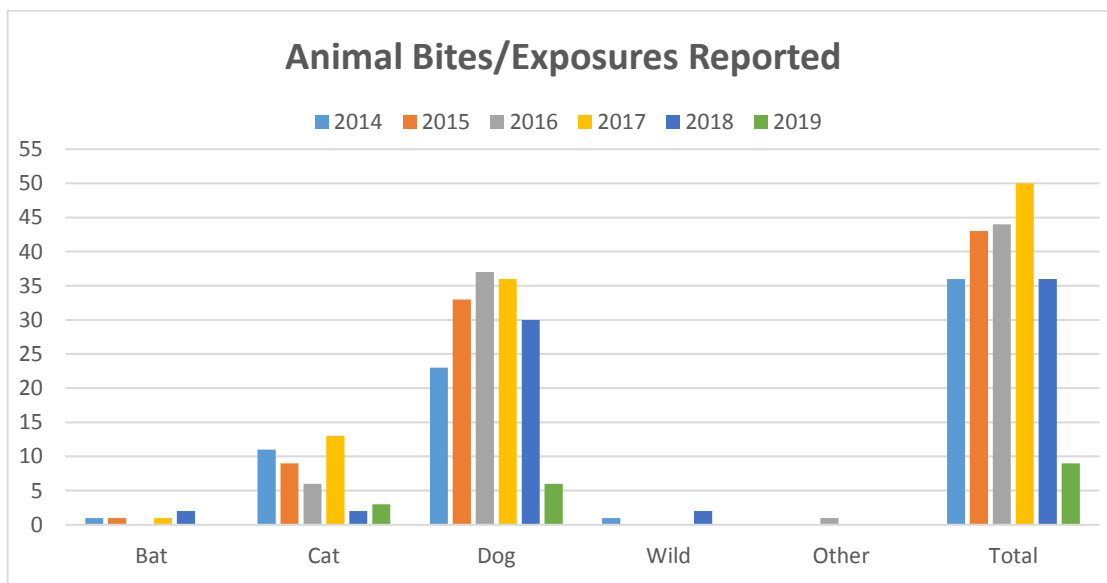


Healthy Homes/Lead

GCHD has received the confirmed funding for healthy homes and lead education for April-June 2019. We received \$8,000 to purchase lead cleaning supplies and to provide lead education to 3 pediatricians' offices as well as to the public. 30% of this funding may be used toward my time in this promotion/education.

Rabies Prevention

GCHD received 3 new animal bite/exposure reports in February. There were 2 dogs and 1 cat. Quarantine notices are sent out and pet owners must comply with pet vaccination requirements except in the case of wild animals or strays which are tested when the animal is available otherwise victims are then referred to their physician and/or ER for follow-up. Our recommendation in the case of a stray or wild animal is post exposure prophylaxis with the rabies immune globulin because of the unknown risk.



Respectfully Submitted,

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