

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE REPORT

Essential Service #2

[Protect people from health problems and health hazards](#)



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Diabetes Alert Day March 22

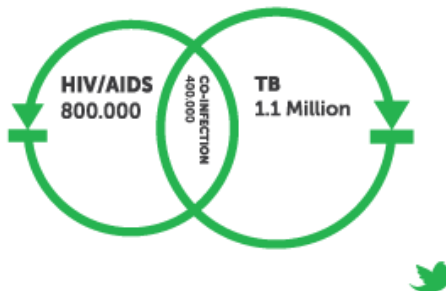
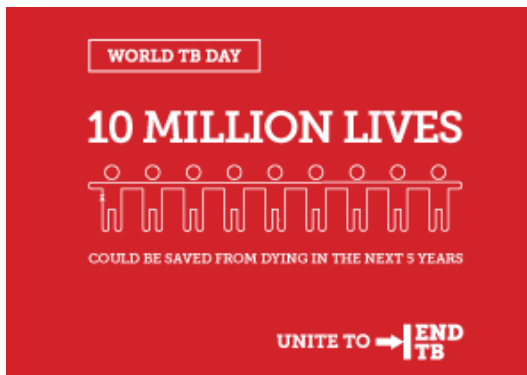
Through our 2014 Community Health Assessment, we know that 9.4% of Kane County adults report having been diagnosed with diabetes. That equates to almost 50,000 of our residents. In response to similar numbers nationwide, the American Diabetes Association has proclaimed Tuesday, March 22, as Diabetes Alert Day and we are encouraging everyone to follow the Association's recommendation to take the Type 2 Diabetes risk test to find out their risk of developing diabetes. Access to fresh fruits and vegetables, such as those grown in community gardens, is one way to help prevent chronic disease, such as diabetes and obesity, which are identified as initiatives in our Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). To learn more about the spread of diabetes in Kane County please visit KaneHealthCounts.org. To learn more about diabetes and what our partners are doing to address the issue, please visit our Web page by clicking [here](#).

Ten essential services of Public Health

1. Monitor health status and understand health issues facing the community
2. Protect people from health problems and health hazards
3. Give people the information they need to make healthy choices
4. Engage the community to identify and solve health problems
5. Develop public health policies and plans
6. Enforce public health laws and regulations
7. Help people receive health services
8. Maintain a competent public health workforce
9. Evaluate and improve programs and interventions
10. Contribute to and apply the evidence base of public health

Essential Service #4

[Engage the community to identify and solve health problems](#)



What is World TB Day?

World TB Day is held each year on March 24 and aims to build public awareness for tuberculosis. A disease which despite being curable, remains a destructive epidemic in much of the world. On this day, we commemorate Dr. Robert Koch's announcement in 1882 of his discovery of the TB bacillus, the cause of tuberculosis. His groundbreaking research opened the way toward diagnosing and curing TB.

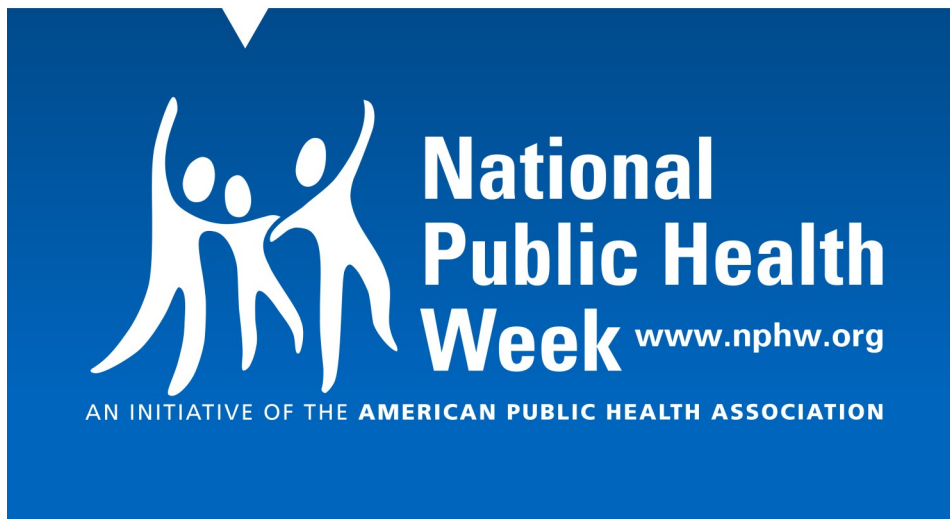
World TB Day

Tuberculosis kills more people annually than AIDS or malaria - Join the Unite to End TB Campaign

Essential Service #3

[Give people the information they need to make healthy choices](#)

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Celebrating public health

For the past 20 years, the American Public Health Association (APHA) has observed National Public Health Week (NPHW) during the first full week of April as a time to recognize the contributions of public health. Every year, the Association develops a national campaign to educate the public, policymakers and practitioners about issues related to each year's theme. The promotion is intended to raise awareness about public health and prevention during [NPHW](#) and all the weeks of the year.