

ANNUAL REPORT

Wallingford Health Department

2025



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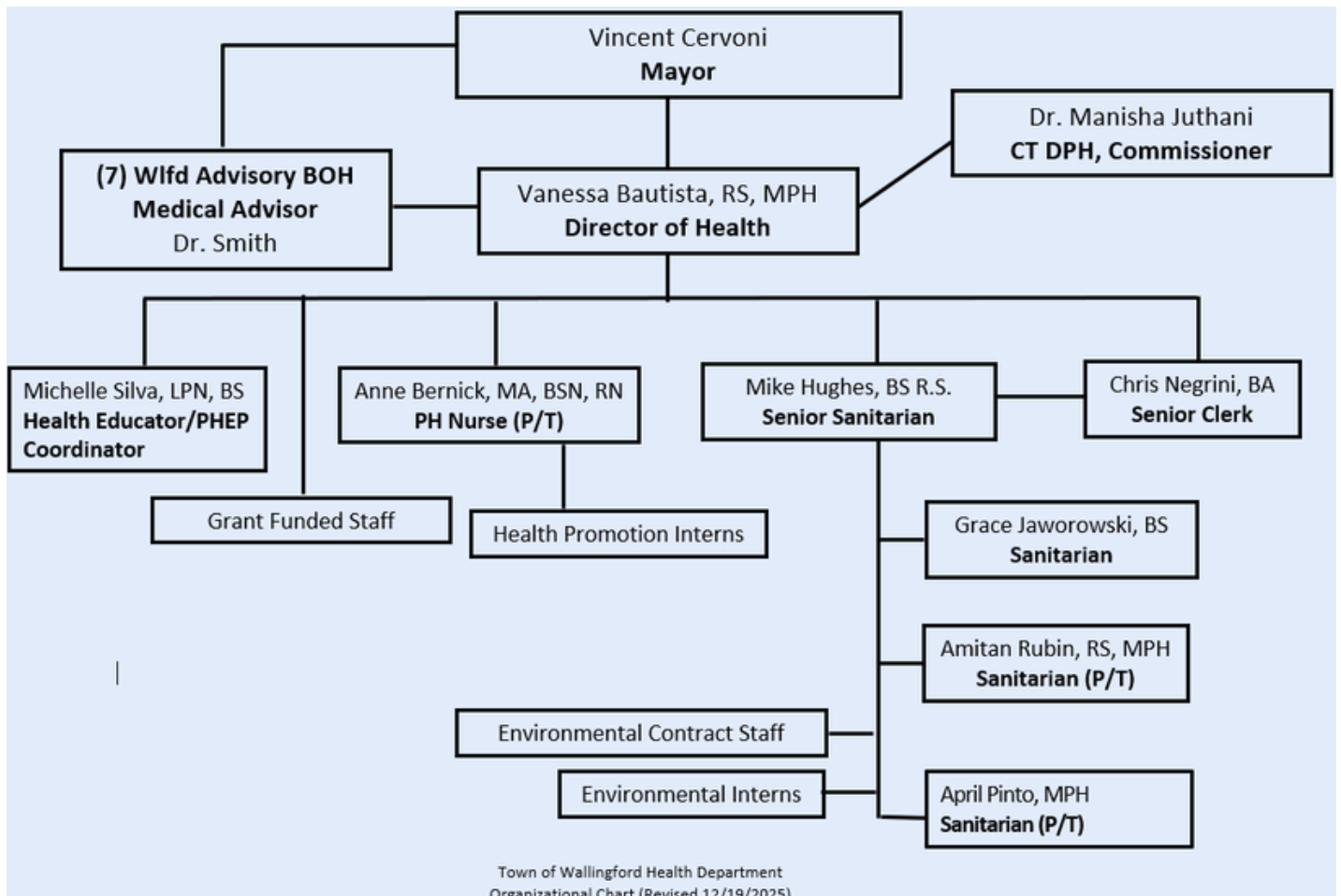
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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



Mission, Vision, and Values



Mission

The mission of the Wallingford Health Department is to work in partnership with the community to protect, promote, and improve the health of all people in Wallingford while utilizing a dynamic and responsive systematic process respecting the diversity of the community and challenging us to provide for present and future generations.

Vision

We strive for equality throughout the community, regardless of financial status, race, sexual orientation, gender, or age. Wallingford actively advocates for public health through promotion and prevention to help lead a healthy, fulfilling, and productive lifestyle. We are here for support, education, and community.

Values:

Willingness and Well-being

Health and Humility

Diversity and Determination

2025 Year in Review

The Wallingford Health Department (WHD) is proud to present the 2025 Annual Report, highlighting the public health services provided to the Wallingford community throughout the year. As the town's local public health authority, WHD remains committed to protecting, promoting, and improving the health of all residents through prevention, education, and responsive service delivery.

Operating under the authority of the Connecticut General Statutes, Title 19, Chapter 368a, Section 19a 2a, WHD enforces public health laws and the Connecticut Public Health Code. Departmental data is reported quarterly to the Board of Health, and meeting minutes are posted on the Town website in accordance with public access requirements. Services provided by the department are outlined in CGS Section 19a 207 and reflect the Ten Essential Public Health Services, with a strong focus on prevention, education, and informed policy development.

The year 2025 marked a period of continued progress and strengthened implementation for the Wallingford Health Department. Building upon prior planning efforts, the department focused on enhancing core services, strengthening emergency preparedness, and expanding community focused programs. In an evolving public health environment shaped by regulatory changes, workforce challenges, and emerging health concerns, WHD emphasized adaptability, coordination, and preparedness to ensure uninterrupted service delivery.

Throughout the year, WHD invested in workforce development, modernized internal processes, and strengthened partnerships with municipal departments, regional agencies, and community organizations. These efforts supported improvements in environmental health services, health education and outreach, and emergency preparedness and response.

Environmental health continued to be a foundational function of the department, impacting residents in many aspects of daily life. Services included food safety inspections, oversight of private drinking water wells and subsurface sewage systems, public swimming pool and daycare inspections, childhood lead poisoning prevention, and the investigation of public health nuisance complaints. As compliance matters became more complex, coordinated efforts with Town leadership, the States Attorney's Office, the Housing Prosecutor, and other partners were essential to protecting community health.

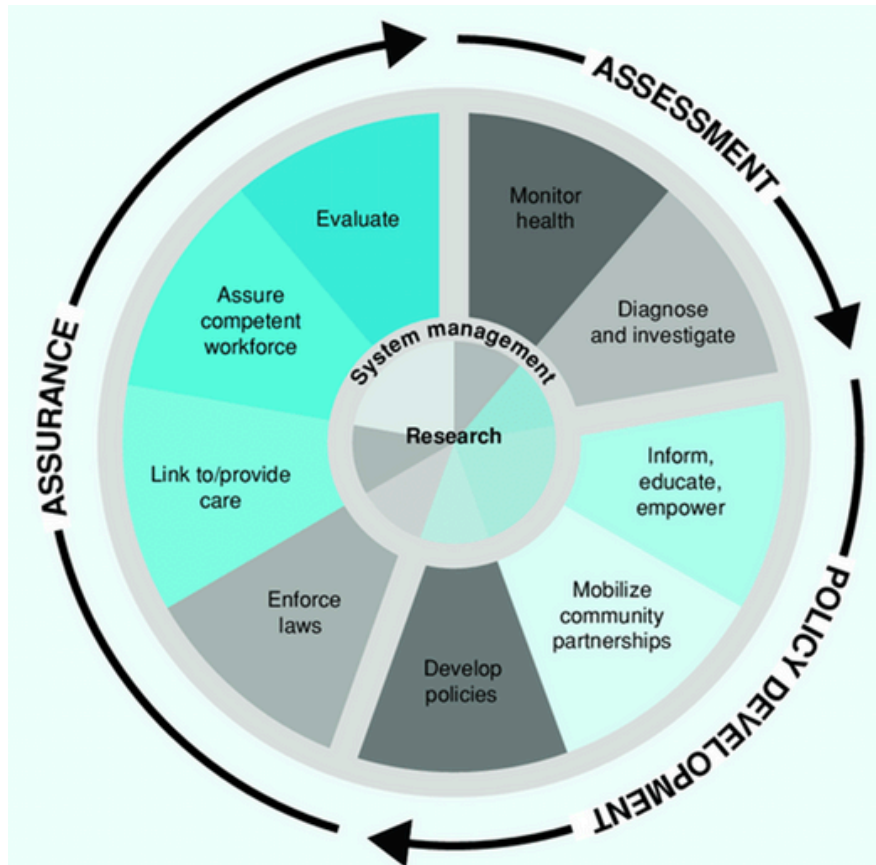
Investigations and enforcement activities continued throughout the year with a focus on education, early intervention, and collaborative problem solving to support long term compliance and reduce the need for legal action. Code enforcement remained a vital tool for addressing health risks and promoting lasting public health awareness.

The Wallingford Health Department thanks its dedicated staff, community partners, elected and appointed officials, and the residents of Wallingford for their continued support and shared commitment to community health.

The following section highlights the Ten Essential Public Health Services and demonstrates how these principles guide the work of the Wallingford Health Department in protecting and promoting the health and well-being of the community.



10 Essential Public Health Services



1. ASSESS AND MONITOR COMMUNITY HEALTH

The Wallingford Health Department monitors community health trends through inspections, surveillance, complaint investigations, and data review to identify health risks and emerging concerns affecting residents.

2. INVESTIGATE HEALTH PROBLEMS AND HAZARDS

Health concerns such as foodborne illness complaints, environmental hazards, lead exposure, and public health nuisances are investigated promptly to reduce risk and protect the community.

3. COMMUNICATE HEALTH INFORMATION

Health information is shared with residents and community partners through education programs, public notifications, trainings, and outreach efforts focused on disease prevention, environmental health, and emergency preparedness.

4. STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The department works closely with municipal departments, schools, healthcare providers, community organizations, and regional partners to coordinate services, share information, and address community health priorities.

5. DEVELOP AND SUPPORT HEALTH POLICIES

Public health policies and recommendations are informed by data, community needs, and public health best practices, supporting safe housing conditions, food safety standards, and protective health measures.

6. USE LAWS AND REGULATIONS TO PROTECT HEALTH

Health and safety regulations are enforced through routine inspections, permitting, and compliance activities involving food establishments, housing conditions, water quality, childcare facilities, and other regulated environments.

7. LINK PEOPLE TO NEEDED HEALTH SERVICES

Residents are connected to health services and resources through vaccination clinics, referrals, community outreach, and coordination with local and regional service providers.

8. BUILD A SKILLED PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE

Ongoing training, professional development, and preparedness activities support staff capacity to deliver essential services and respond effectively to routine and emergency public health needs.

9. IMPROVE AND EVALUATE PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS

Programs and services are reviewed throughout the year to assess effectiveness, respond to community feedback, and improve service delivery across environmental health, education, and preparedness activities.

10. ADVANCE PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE

Public health practice is strengthened by improving internal processes, adapting to changing community needs, and applying lessons learned to enhance future planning and service delivery.

Community Health, Outreach & Health Education



The Wallingford Health Department delivers community health outreach and education to support prevention, wellness, and access to health services. Activities include vaccination clinics, community events, and educational programs designed to meet residents where they are.

VACCINATION CLINICS

DATE	LOCATION
9/25/2025	Wallingford Public Library
10/14/2025	Wallingford Senior Center
10/22/2025	Wallingford Town Hall

FLU CLINIC



Wallingford Senior Center
238 Washington Avenue - Wallingford
Tuesday – October 14, 2025
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



- Bring your insurance card or a copy of the front of the card
- Wear short sleeves
- We use preservative free vaccine
- If this is your first flu shot, please arrive 1/2 hour before the end of the clinic and be prepared to wait 15 minutes following the injection
- "Senior Strength" vaccine for those 65+ will be available while supplies last

Vaccines are administered by licensed and experienced nurses from the East Shore District Health Department

For more information about the flu and a list of our public flu clinics visit: www.esdhd.org

Participating Insurances:

- 65 years or older
 - Medicare Part B
 - Aetna Medicare
 - Anthem BCBS Medicare
 - ConnectCare
 - United Healthcare Managed Medicare Plans

All others:

- Aetna
- Anthem BCBS
- CIGNA
- ConnectCare
- Husky
- Medicaid
- United Healthcare



FLU CLINIC



Wallingford Public Library
200 North Main Street - Wallingford
Thursday – September 25, 2025
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.



- Bring your insurance card or a copy of the front of the card
 - Wear short sleeves
 - If this is your first flu shot, please arrive 1/2 hour before the end of the clinic and be prepared to wait 15 minutes after vaccination
 - "Senior Strength" vaccine for those 65+
 - Children 6-17 are welcome for nasal vaccine ONLY (must qualify)
 - Nasal vaccine will be available to those 4-49 years who qualify
- ***All vaccine while supplies last*****

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Community Health, Outreach & Health Education



EVENT	DATE	ACTIVITY
Hands-only CPR	4/15/25 11/25/25	Students participating in the YSS babysitter course received hands-only CPR training to build basic emergency response skills.
Celebrate Wallingford	10/4/25 10/5/25	Food trucks and booths were inspected by sanitarians. WHD provided youth-focused health education activities, including handwashing education, nutrition messaging, and interactive displays. Breast cancer awareness materials and Medical Reserve Corps recruitment information were distributed to attendees.
Coalition-Tree Festival	12/5/2025	WHD donated a wellness-themed Christmas tree and promoted community mental health resources, including the CredibleMind online platform.

Community Health, Outreach & Health Education



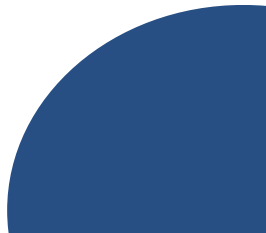
EVENT	DATE	ACTIVITY
CPR/AED/First Aid	1/8/25 2/18/25 2/25/25 3/31/25 4/24/25 5/12/25 5/20/25 5/22/25 6/16/25 6/26/25 7/24/25 8/27/25 8/28/25 9/25/25 10/2/25 10/23/25 12/4/25 12/9/25 12/18/25	<p>CPR, AED, and First Aid trainings were offered throughout the year to community members, Town Hall employees, adults, high school students, school staff, and YMCA participants.</p>
Steps To Safety/Fall presentations at Housing Authority Locations	11/18/25 11/20/25	<p>The Health Educator and Public Health Nurse delivered fall prevention and fire safety presentations at Housing Authority locations in collaboration with the Fire Marshal.</p>



Community Health, Outreach & Health Education



EVENT	DATE	ACTIVITY
Garden Market Tabling	6/21/25 7/26/25 8/23/25 9/20/25	The Health Educator distributed health information, engaged community members, shared upcoming events, and provided health promotion materials.
CERT/HAM Radio Santa Event	12/14/2025	The Health Educator assisted families with crafts and provided information on upcoming community events.
Narcan Training	4/9/2025	Training was provided on the use of Narcan, and overdose response kits were distributed to participants.



Community Health, Outreach & Health Education



EVENT	DATE	ACTIVITY
Health Fairs	5/14/25 6/14/25 6/21/25 6/26/25 7/19/25 8/9/25 8/20/25 11/4/25 11/8/25 11/18/25	<p>Health information was distributed on vaccines, COVID-19, nutrition, tick prevention, and upcoming community events. First aid kits, hand sanitizer, tick removal kits, and medication organizers were provided, and engagement occurred with community partners including SCOW, YMCA, and Masonicare.</p>
Community Health Day	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; border-radius: 15px; padding: 2px 10px; display: inline-block;">7/19/2025</div>	<p>WHD hosted a Community Health Day at Community Lake Park where community partners shared resources and engaged with residents. Family-friendly activities, including games, music, and crafts, were offered to encourage participation among youth and families.</p>



Community Health, Outreach & Health Education



EVENT	DATE	ACTIVITY
Red Ribbon Week	10/30/2025	An informational table with prevention resources was provided at the Red Ribbon Week finale held at the Senior Center, and the Public Health Nurse delivered an educational presentation.
Bingocize	9/3/25-11/19/25	A 10-week evidence-based falls prevention program was offered at the Senior Center, combining education and physical activity to promote safe movement and healthy aging.
Contraception Talks At Sheehan High School	Dec 2025	The Public Health Nurse delivered age-appropriate health education presentations to high school students during health classes.



Community Health, Outreach & Health Education



American Heart Month!

CPR TRAINING WITH WHD

Town Hall Rm. 315
Wallingford, CT 06492

5:30 ON THE 25TH OF February

RSVP to (203) 294-2065

Spring into health and

LEARN ADULT CPR

With the Wallingford Health Department

RSVP at (203) 294-2065

Monday, March 31st, 5:30 PM	143 Hope Hill Road, Wallingford, CT 06492
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Adult CPR Training
With The Wallingford Health Department

Monday May 12th, 2025 5:30 PM

143 Hope Hill Rd
Wallingford, CT 06492
RSVP at (203) 294-2065

Learn Adult CPR with the Wallingford Health Department

Thursday May 22, 2025 5:30 PM

143 Hope Hill Rd
Wallingford, CT 06492
RSVP at (203) 294-2065

BEE SAFE THIS SUMMER LEARN CPR

With The Wallingford Health Department

When Thursday July 24th 5:30 PM	Where 143 Hope Hill Road Wallingford
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Call Us To Reserve A Spot!
Phone: 203-294-2065
Course will review Adult CPR/First Aid

LEARN CPR WITH THE WALLINGFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEN
Thursday August 28th, 2025 5:30 PM

WHERE
143 Hope Hill Road Wallingford

TO RSVP CALL:
Limited Spaces Available
The Wallingford Health Department at 203-294-2065

Learn CPR With The Wallingford Health Department

Thursday September 25th 5:30 PM

Where: 143 Hope Hill Rd Wallingford

To RSVP Call: 203-294-2065

Let's Talk About:

NARCAN

With the Wallingford Health Department

April 9th at 5:30 PM
143 Hope Hill Road, Wallingford, CT 06492

Call: (203) 294-2065 to RSVP

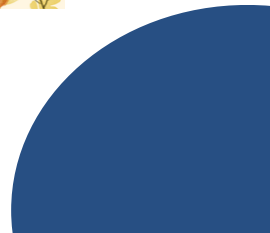
Save a Life with Local Health Naloxone Training Day

Learn CPR WITH THE WALLINGFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEN: OCTOBER 23RD 5:30 PM

LOCATION: 143 HOPE HILL RD WALLINGFORD

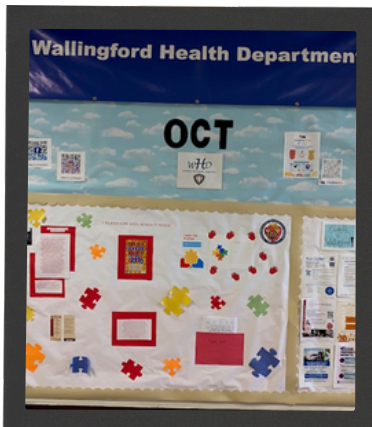
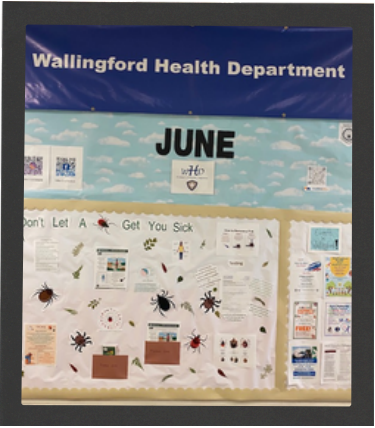
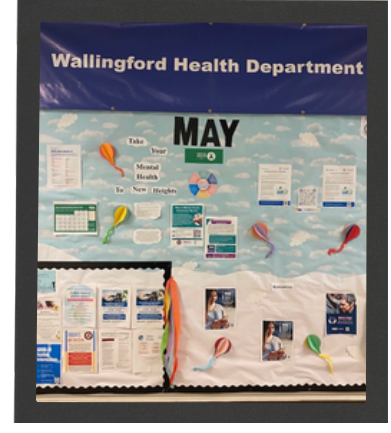
CALL 203-294-2065 TO RESERVE A SPOT



Community Outreach



Monthly Health and Wellness



CredibleMind

CredibleMind is a free, online mental health and wellness resource that provides Wallingford residents with easy access to trusted tools, information, and self-care support.



CredibleMind



SPONSORED CONTENT

Town of Wallingford launches app focused on accessible mental health resources for all

By Susan Shultz

(Ad) The Town of Wallingford has launched an online campaign to combat the causes that could lead to opioid addiction and other harmful behaviors by bringing stigma-free attention to mental health. The website, <https://wallingfordhealth.crediblemind.com/>, is a step in the right direction for Wallingford's collective wellbeing.

According to Wallingford Health Director Vanessa Bautista, the app is free and confidential to all residents. It provides a questionnaire to allow the Wallingford community to assess their mental health and what might be impacting it.

"The program was developed by CredibleMind in partnership with NACCHO (National Association of County and City Health Officials) and funded by opioid settlement funds," she said.

Bautista said the town has found that there was a growing need for accessible, stigma-free mental resources in the community.

"These needs intensified in the wake of the of the opioid crisis and the pandemic. We noted that many residents were struggling and didn't know where to turn," she said.

In addition, research found that it is difficult to access help because local resources are overwhelmed.

"Our health educators did research and studied each organization in town and what resource they offered, and they were posted on our website," she said.

About CredibleMind

CredibleMind provides a localized, wellness-oriented digital platform that

Community Resources – Once residents have gone through the previous steps, they may opt to seek further support for themselves or a family member. CredibleMind offers curated and vetted local to Wallingford mental health and addiction treatment resources for all ages with helpful descriptions that help narrow down the search.

How it can help

Bautista said she hopes all residents become aware of the platform and spread the word. She added the program not only offers resources but encourages residents to seek support without fear of stigma.

"This tool is about early prevention...helping residents better understand their mental health without fear or stigma," -Vanessa Bautista, Wallingford Health Director

enables employers, insurers, healthcare providers, and community organizations to support consumer-centric engagement.

It offers a variety of categories for Wallingford residents and other communities who participate.

Topics – It has several sections with informative articles about ways to cope and lessen factors that impact resident's mental health, including anxiety, stress, burnout, depression, happiness, self-care, addiction and more.

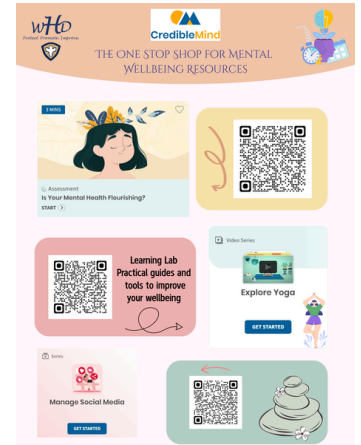
Assessments – This section offers helpful quizzes to zero in on aspects of resident's emotional and mental health. Assessments allow all to discern whether they are dealing with past trauma, have sleep issues, are suffering job stress, dealing with loneliness, or depressed.

The Learning Lab – This is an audio series that offers self-help programs to deal with burnout, relieve stress or anxiety, as well as resources for coping with stress, anxiety, and substance misuse.

"We are a tight knit and diverse family-oriented community who take pride in where we live. This program means that many who are quietly struggling will be able to access safe, stigma-free mental health support without asking out loud," Bautista said.

Visit <https://wallingfordhealth.crediblemind.com> to access free, confidential mental health resources and assessments designed for Wallingford residents.

The previous content is a paid advertisement for the Town of Wallingford.



Mind Your Mind: How to Stay Sharp Well into Your Retirement Years

Are Your "Worry Days" a Sign of Anxiety?

The One Stop Shop for Mental Wellbeing Resources

Harvest Your Health

Take a your session designed to help reduce stress and anxiety.

20 min Full Body Stretch/Flow for Stress & Anxiety Relief

Mental Health Check-In

Healthy Holiday Steps – How to Get Good Sleep During the Season

CredibleMind

Goal Setting

Exercise Your Way to Better Mental Health

Relieve Anxiety

FEELING OVERWHELMED? THIS SERIES OFFERS PRACTICAL TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES TO HELP YOU MANAGE AND REDUCE ANXIETY.

CredibleMind is a one-stop shop for personalized mental wellbeing resources.

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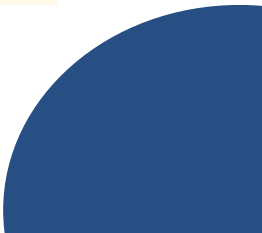
This video underscores the importance of exercise in preventing cognitive decline and chronic diseases while improving overall wellbeing.

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Are the Holidays Causing You Stress?

TAKE THIS SHORT ASSESSMENT TO DETERMINE YOUR HOLIDAY STRESS LEVEL AFTERWARD, FIND RESOURCES TO LEARN HOW TO THRIVE INTO THE NEW YEAR AND BEYOND.

Stress-Free Holidays: Find Financial Wellness Resources Here:

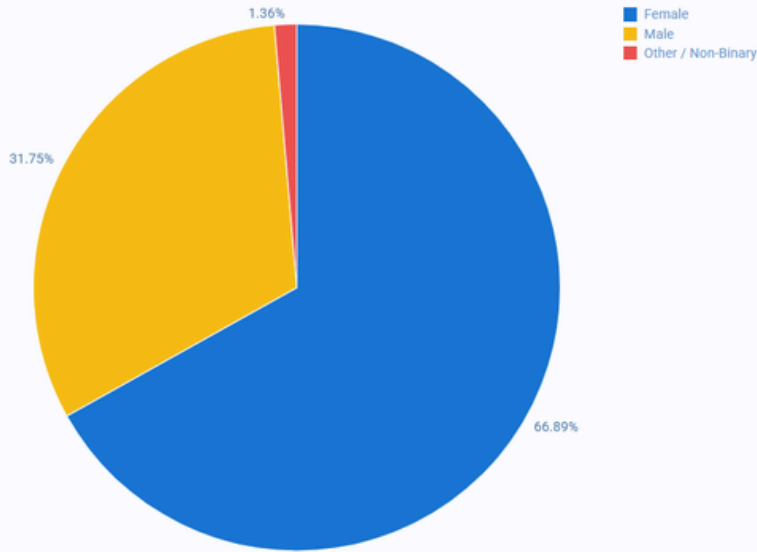


CredibleMind

Demographics Overview: Since Launch

Since launch, demographic data has been provided by 17.76% of users.

Gender



Age (5 or more)

Age Range	Users
<13	30
13-17	493
18-24	255
25-34	124
35-44	76
45-54	50
55-64	34
65-74	28
75+	23

Language

Language	Users	% of Total
English	6,066	97.65%
Spanish	155	2.50%

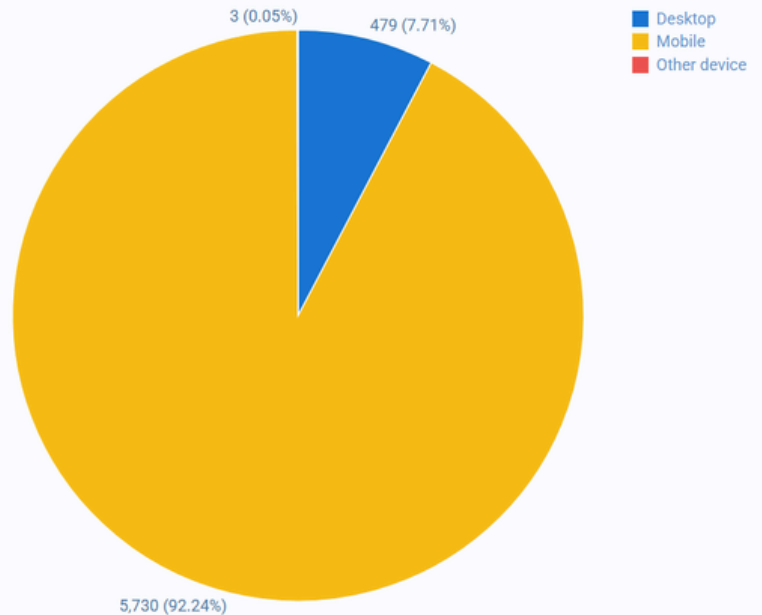
Traffic Source: Since Launch

Traffic Type	Users
Social Media	3,322
Google Paid	2,457
Direct/Email	371
Search Engine	48
Links/Referrals	22

Traffic Source Details: Since Launch (Min 5 Users)

Link/Referral Details	Users
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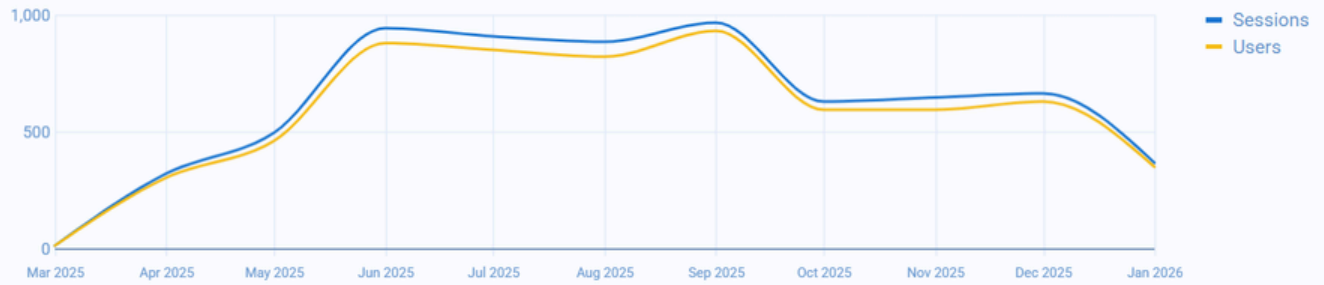
Device Type: Since Launch



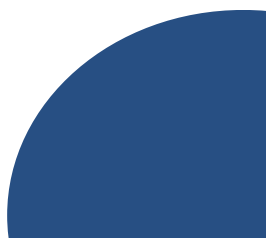
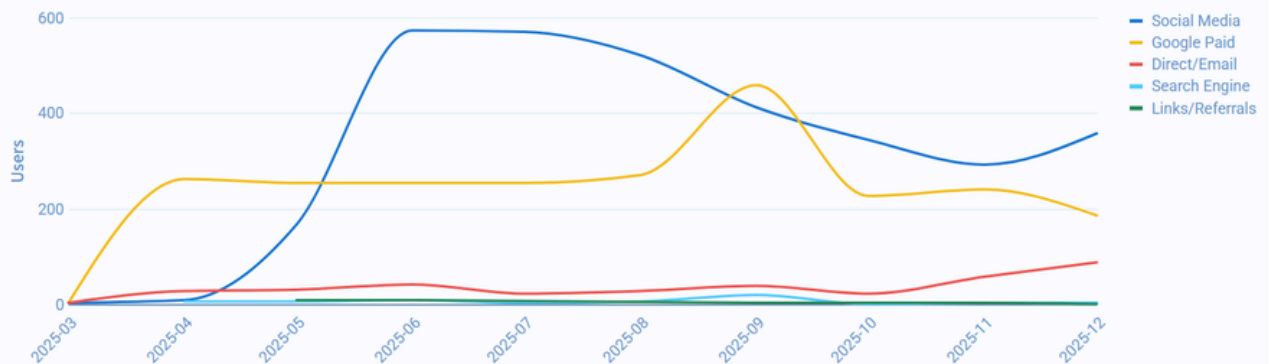
Among users who chose to share age information, engagement was highest among adolescents ages 13-17, with additional use observed across young adult and adult age groups. This trend suggests CredibleMind is resonating with younger residents while remaining accessible to the broader community.

CredibleMind

Traffic by Month: All Time

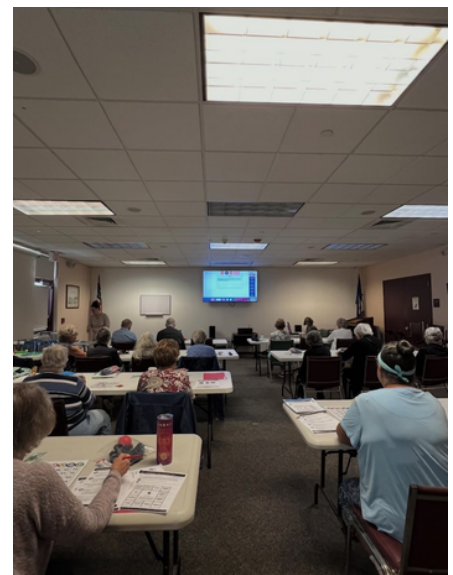
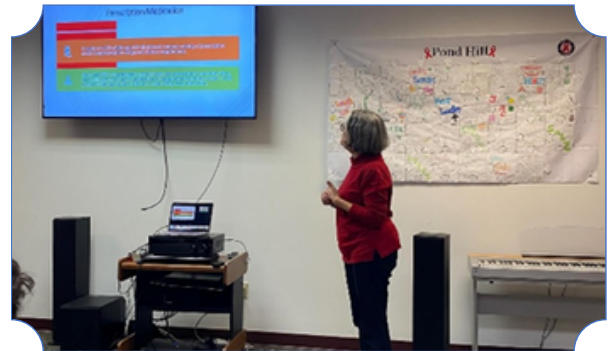


Traffic by Source Category: Report Date Range by Month



Public Health Nursing

- Awarded Public Health Nurse of the Year by the Connecticut Association of Public Health Nurses
- Facilitates a monthly Parkinson's Support Group at the Wallingford Senior Center
- Serves as a member of the Wallingford Committee on Aging, including participation in the personnel subcommittee involved in the search and hiring of the Senior Center Director
- Served as an Air Force flag bearer during the Senior Center's Veterans Program
- Provides health education presentations to Memory Lane program participants at the Senior Center
- Provides CPR training and assists with community education as a certified CPR instructor
- Monitors infectious diseases and provides public health education to residents
- Serves as a master trainer, training three individuals to become instructors for the A Matter of Balance falls prevention program
- Provides the Bingocize falls prevention program to senior community members in collaboration with the Health Educator



STAFF TRAININGS

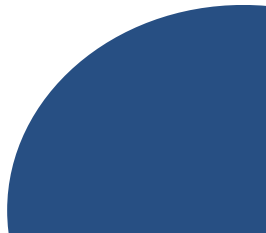
- Avian Flu Tabletop Training Exercise
- Narcan Training/Instructor Certificate
- Stop The Bleed Training/Instructor Certificate
- Adult Mental Health First Aid
- CT HCC Conference
- TEEX PER-406 Mass Care-Shelter and Relocation Capacity Building Training
- CT Suicide Prevention Conference
- NACCHO Preparedness Summit
- Matter of Balance Instructor Training
- CT DPH Lead Refresher Course
- CT Association of Public Health Nurses Annual Conference
- New England Tuberculosis Clinician's Conference
- MGT-319 Medical Countermeasures POD Planning and Response
- N95 Fit Test Trainer
- CT Trails Symposium
- Bingocize
- Immunization update training
- Parkinson Symposium
- QPR Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Instructor
- Yankee Conference
- Region 2 Mass Care and Sheltering Tabletop
- OPTICS Training in incident command system
- CPR/BLS/First Aid Instructor Training
- MRC mission sets workshop
- Crisis Communications Training
- CT Emergency Management Symposium
- Public Health Response-Hanover Pond Dam Failure Exercise
- 2025 Governor's emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative Tabletop
- Web EOC Training
- FDA 2022 Food Code Training with a Risk-Based Approach
- TEEX PER-233 Medical Preparedness and Response for Bombing Incidents Course
- Fall Risk Screening Trainer
- Connect Suicide Post-Vention Training
- CAHCEO Seminar
- DPH LPPP Training (Info Session)
- REHS Training
- NLPPW Lead Webinar
- CEHA Annual Meeting
- State of CT Phase II Training
- Silver Hills Hospital virtual grand rounds-The Brain Gut Interface
- Silver Hills Hospital virtual grand rounds-substance use disorders
- Steps to Safety Training



EMERGENCY RESPONSE

During 2025, the Wallingford Health Department participated in emergency preparedness trainings and tabletop exercises focused on avian influenza, point of dispensing operations, sheltering, and emergency response planning.

The department also supported emergency response efforts during a condominium structure fire by assisting with the activation of the Emergency Operations Center and coordinating with the American Red Cross, which provided sheltering assistance to displaced residents, while WHD distributed hygiene supplies, resources, and support to affected families.



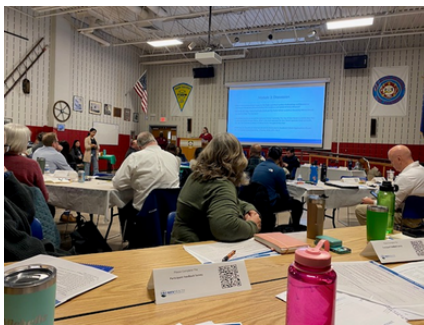
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

EVENT

- Region 2 PHEP Monthly
- Region 2 ESF-8 Monthly
- CT HCC Bimonthly
- MRC Monthly
- Region 2 Capability 13 PHEP Bimonthly

DISCUSSION

- Federal and local updates regarding grants, capabilities and trainings.
- Region 2: Public Health Emergency Response - Emergency Support Function 8 Plan. CT DEMHS, CT HCC, Hospitals and Local Health Updates.
- Hospital systems and Regional Local Health updates, trainings and education.
- Activation and deployment of MRC volunteers throughout the region. The implementation of the recruitment process for new MRC members.
- Use of public health surveillance and monitoring tools to support disease awareness and emergency preparedness planning.



Environmental Health

Environmental Inspections	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Food (302 Establishments, 24 Temp Events)	279	361	528	900	882
Cosmetology (106 Establishments)	36	53	90	90	78
Day Care (31 Establishments)	17	12	13	14	15
Pool (19 Public Pools)	24	31	10	27	38
Soil Testing	8	2	11	10	21
Septic	28	29	23	23	16
Well Review	7	5	3	1	6
B-100A Review	22	21	30	35	12
Total Inspections	421	480	656	1100	1068

Types of Inspections

Food Service

Permitting and inspection of brick and mortar, itinerant, and temporary food establishments in accordance with the Connecticut Public Health Code.

Personal Services

Permitting and routine inspections of Barber Shops, Hair Salons, Nail Salons, Tattoo Parlors

Public Pools

Annual registration and inspection of public swimming pools to ensure compliance with the Connecticut Public Health Code.

Day Cares

Childcare facility inspections conducted in coordination with the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood to assess compliance with applicable public health requirements.

Septic / Soil Testing

Approval of septic installation plans to ensure safe separating distances from structures and drinking water wells. Prevents the transmission of disease caused by exposure to sewage and contaminated drinking water.

Environmental Health

Public health nuisances are environmental situations that have the potential to cause the spread of disease. To prevent this, the health department investigates and can issue orders when nuisance conditions are found. Public health nuisance abatement aims to eliminate unsanitary conditions in the community that pose potential hazards.

Nuisance Complaints	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Air Quality / Odor	10	9	17	13	6
Animal / Animal Feces	0	2	5	2	2
Cosmetology / Personal Services	3	3	0	2	3
COVID-19	0	0	0	0	30
Food Service	18	21	30	44	17
Garbage / Bulky Waste	15	13	16	34	29
Hoarding	1	9	7	N/T	N/T
Lead	2	2	0	1	1
Mold / Leaks / Flooding	1	2	7	6	4
Overgrown Grass / Tick Concerns	2	2	1	N/T	N/T
Pests – Insects / Rodents	16	23	21	21	12
Pools	1	1	2	1	0
Sewage	10	8	8	3	4
Unsanitary Living Conditions*	5	12	19	30	35
Welfare Check on Resident	5	4	5	N/T	N/T
Other	9	1	5	25	25
Total	98	112	143	182	168
Health Orders Issued	5	7	5	4	7
Tick Submissions	37	29	39	8	35

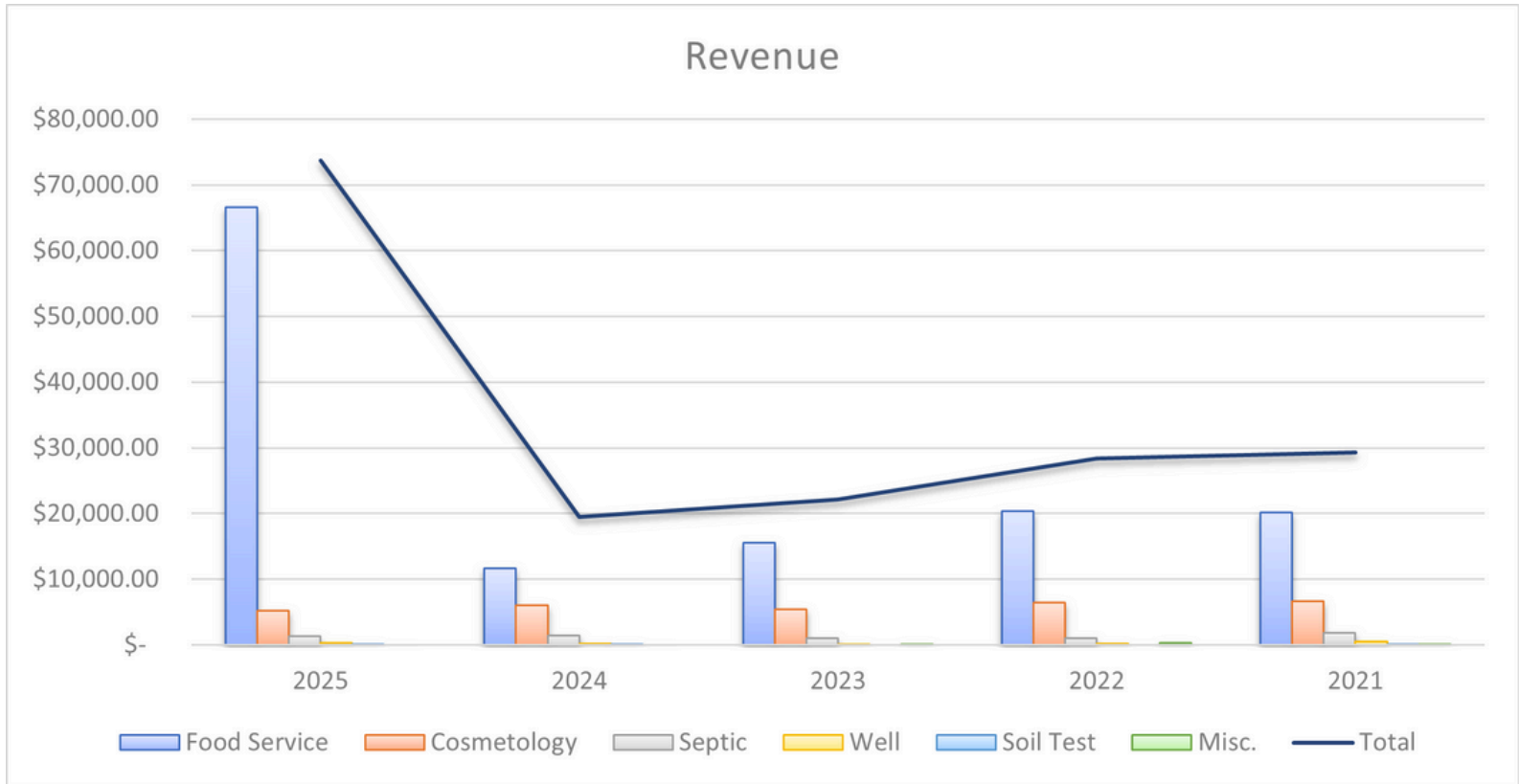
N/A = Not Applicable

N/T = Not Tracked at the time

* Encompasses multiple nuisance complaint categories

Health Department Revenue

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Food Service	\$66,640.00	\$11,660.00	\$15,515.00	\$20,320.00	\$20,115.00
Cosmetology	\$5,275.00	\$6,050.00	\$5,450.00	\$6,450.00	\$6,700.00
Septic	\$1,300.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,850.00
Well	\$350.00	\$250.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$550.00
Soil Test	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$50.00
Misc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$74.50	\$339.50	\$51.50
Total	\$73,665.00	\$19,510.00	\$22,139.50	\$28,359.50	\$29,316.50



2025 Highlights

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION

Anne Bernick, Public Health Nurse with the Wallingford Health Department, was recognized as the 2025 Public Health Nurse of the Year for excellence in public health nursing and meaningful community impact.



AEDS INSTALLED ON EVERY FLOOR OF TOWN HALL

Automated External Defibrillators were installed on every floor of Town Hall through a donation from the In A Heartbeat Foundation, strengthening emergency cardiac response readiness in a central municipal facility.



HEART SAFE COMMUNITY SIGNAGE INSTALLED

Heart Safe Community signage was placed at key locations to increase visibility of cardiac emergency preparedness and reinforce Wallingford’s commitment to life-saving response.



COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS SUPPORT

In 2025, the Wallingford Health Department launched CredibleMind, a free, online community resource that provides residents with accessible tools and information to support mental health, stress management, and overall well-being.



STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR FUTURE WELLNESS INITIATIVES

Strategic planning and groundwork were completed for several community wellness programs and projects scheduled for implementation in 2026, aligning long-term prevention efforts with community needs and available resources.



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2026

The Wallingford Health Department enters 2026 with strong momentum and several priority initiatives moving from planning into implementation. The year ahead will focus on expanding community wellness, strengthening emergency preparedness, modernizing operations, and advancing partnerships that support long-term public health and safety.



Community Fitness Court Launch

The National Fitness Campaign Fitness Court is anticipated to be installed and launched in July 2026, expanding free access to outdoor physical activity and wellness opportunities for residents.

Modernization of Environmental Health Operations

The department anticipates advancing digital inspection and reporting tools to improve efficiency, consistency, and service delivery in environmental health programs.

Emergency Support Function Preparedness

WHD will continue leading Emergency Support Function (ESF) 8 for public health and medical services and supporting ESF 6 for sheltering through ongoing planning, coordination, and preparedness activities.

Community Wellness and Sustainability Partnerships

WHD will continue collaborating with Town partners on community wellness initiatives, including active transportation efforts and support for Sustainable CT goals, pending Town approval.