



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF
**HEALTH &
SENIOR SERVICES**

Department Overview

We have approximately 1,900 team members responsible for the stewardship of more than \$2 billion in funding.



What we do

Mission: To promote health and safety through prevention, collaboration, education, innovation and response.

Vision: Optimal health and safety for all Missourians, in all communities, for life.

Our core services

- 🛡 Disease and injury prevention
- 🛡 Emergency preparedness and response
- 🛡 Food and nutrition services
- 🛡 Foundational public health services
- 🛡 Health, animal and environmental testing
- 🛡 Maternal and child health services
- 🛡 Regulation enforcement and licensure
- 🛡 Senior and disability support and protection
- 🛡 Vital records and statistics

Strategic Priorities

- 🛡 Invest in innovation to modernize infrastructure
- 🛡 Re-envision and strengthen the workforce
- 🛡 Build new and strengthen existing partnerships
- 🛡 Clearly and consistently communicate to educate and build trust
- 🛡 Resolve access issues for underserved areas and populations

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Who we are

Our team is organized into six divisions in addition to the department Director's Office.

Director's Office

The DHSS Director's Office provides leadership and coordination across the department and articulates the department's vision and goals.



SARAH WILLSON

Director



RICHARD MOORE

Deputy Director and
General Counsel

Specialized Services

In addition to the Director's Office, several teams and individuals provide specialized support to team members across the department.

- Chief Medical Officer
- Communications
- Office of General Counsel
- Office of Governmental Affairs
- Office of Health Transformation



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Division of Administration

Chad Ridder
Division Director

Responsible for budget, accounting, expense control, procurement, grants, contracts human resources and other general services.



Division of Cannabis Regulation

Amy Moore
Division Director

Licenses and inspects comprehensive cannabis facilities for medical and adult-use, and issues patient identification cards.



Division of Community and Public Health

Daniel Bogle
Division Director

Manages vital records, Missouri WIC, maternal-child health, and programs that address chronic and emerging health issues.



Division of Regulation and Licensure

Mindy Laughlin
Division Director

Regulates long-term care and health care, and designates Trauma, Stroke and STEMI centers.



Division of Senior and Disability Services

Melanie Highland
Division Director

Serves seniors and disabled individuals by investigating abuse claims, connecting them to care, and advocating for their needs.



Missouri State Public Health Laboratory

Adam Perkins
Division Director

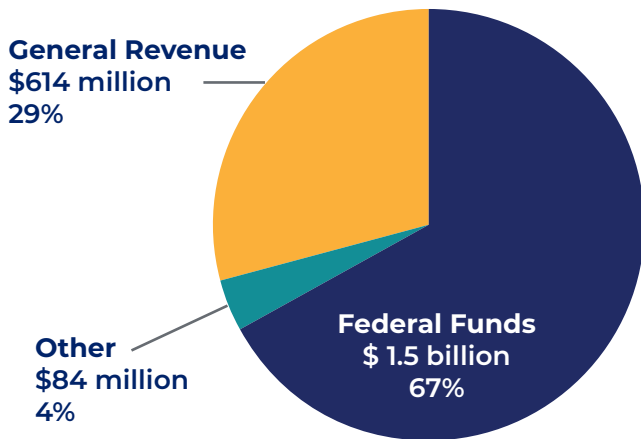
Performs food, environmental and health testing, and protects Missourians from biological and chemical threats.



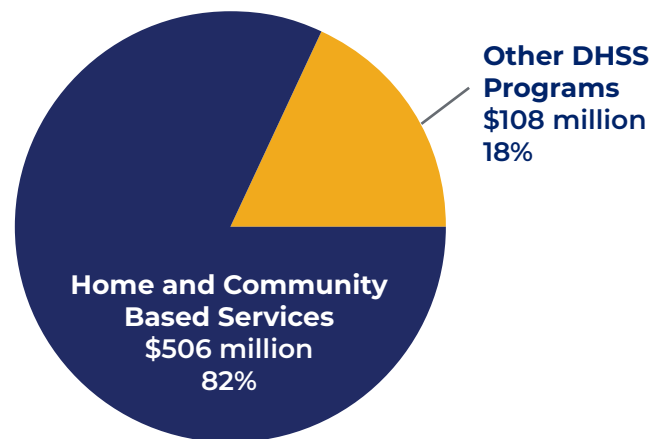
How we deliver services

Funding requests are supportive of the strategic goals that are most impactful to the residents of Missouri.

Total DHSS Funding



General Revenue



The majority of funding comes from federal resources with the largest amount of general revenue for Medicaid Home and Community Based Services. Much of the remaining GR is required for match on the federal funds.

Board of Health and Senior Services (RSMo. Section 192.014)

The Board of Health and Senior Services began operating again in November 2022. State law stipulates the Board advise DHSS on rules & regulations, budget, and planning & operation. The board is comprised of nine members that are Governor appointed and Senate confirmed.

Local Public Health Agencies

DHSS contracts with 115 LPHAs to improve public health.

Missouri's Foundational Public Health Services

Missouri's FPHS model describes a minimum set of measurable capabilities under each area of expertise that are truly essential in every Missouri community. Areas of expertise include disease and injury prevention, environmental health, linkage to care, and maternal, child and family health.

Area Agencies on Aging

DHSS contracts with 10 AAAs to improve the lives of older adults.