

**Beaufort County Health Department
Board of Health**

January 18, 2022 Meeting

☒ Regular Meeting ☐ Special Meeting

1) Call to Order:

The Beaufort County Board of Health (BOH) meeting was called to order at 5:59 PM by Chair, Chris Padgett.

Members Present:

- Chris Padgett, OD and Chair
- David Howdy, DDS and Vice-chair
- Robert Belcher, Member-at-large
- Hood Richardson, County Commissioner
- Shelia Slade, RN
- Jessica Triche, MD, Physician
- Angela Biggs, PharmD
- Mark Roy, Engineer
- Marty Poffenberger, DVM

Members Absent:

- Stewart Ham, Member-at-large
- Joe Hooker, General Public

Quorum present - yes

Staff present:

- James Madson, Health Director
- JaNell Octigan, Human Services Planner IV/Preparedness Coordinator

2) Public Comment:

No public comment

3) Training/Board Education:

None

4) Old Business:

Approval of November 16, 2021 meeting minutes:

Chris Padgett asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2021 meeting. Motion made by Dr. Triche to approve the minutes as written David

Howdy provided a second to the motion. The motion passed with all in favor and none opposed.

5) New Business:

Board of Health Operating Procedures Review and Conflict of Interest Policy:

Board members were emailed a copy of the Operating Procedures prior to the meeting for their annual review. Mr. Madson also provided the Board with a draft Conflict of Interest Policy. No revisions or edits were requested. A motion to accept the policies as written was made by Dr. Jessica Triche, Angela Biggs provided a second to the motion which passed with all in favor.

Board of Health Handbook Updates:

Board members were provided 2022 updates for their Board of Health handbooks.

Health Director Job Assessment:

Mr. Madson provided the Board Health with his job description, as well as with instructions to provide all feedback, bullet points, etc. to Dr. Padgett. Dr. Padgett will combine all comments into the assessment. The time frame of the assessment will be January 2021 – December 2021. Robert Belcher asked if COVID-19 emergency response should be added. Mr. Madson explained that emergency response is included in the preparedness duties that is in his job assessment.

Additional Discussion:

Dr. Padgett asked the board, in reference to emergency response and the great work of the health department, for the Board's thoughts of motioning for Mr. Madson to take to County Commissioners the option of bonus pay for staff at the February County Commissioners meeting. The motion to provide staff a \$100 bonus per month employed between July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022, was provided by David Howdy. Dr. Jessica Triche provided a second motion which passed with all in favor.

FY 22 Budget Amendments:

Budget amendments submitted at the January Board of Commissioners meeting:

- \$69,861 Communicable Disease State Funding

Budget amendments to be submitted at the February Board of Commissioners meeting:

- \$188,996 COVID-19 Vaccination State Funding
- \$76,742 NC Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Grant (MAT)

A motion was made by Mark Roy to accept the budget amendments as presented and a second to the motion was provided by Angela Biggs. The motion passed with all in favor and none opposed.

6) Health Director's update:

Mr. Madson expressed gratitude for staff and all that staff has done to step up and do whatever is needed to help with the call of duty. Not only have they responded, but they have done so with good attitudes.

Mr. Madson provided an update for COVID-19 (Slides 6-14). Information reviewed and discussed included:

- Beaufort County Statistics as of 01/18/2022

Tuesday, January 18, 2022		
Tests conducted on Beaufort county residents (to date)	68,356	
Total cases (tested positive)	10,276	
Total hospitalizations that have occurred	388	3.8%
Total Deaths*	141	1.4%
Average age of deaths (years)	75.1	
Known active cases currently in the county	1,551	
Currently hospitalized	24	1.5%
Currently on a ventilator	-	
Total cases recovered	8,584	83.5%
Seven (7) day average case rate	167.0	
Positive cases June 1 to Dec 31 (2021)**	3,447	
Breakthrough (positive after completing vaccination)**	663	19%
Positive cases since Jan 1, 2022 (Omicron influence)***	2,165	
Breakthrough (this data lags behind case count)	294	14%
Deaths* from long term care facilities	55	39%
*Deaths reported through this website have been confirmed through a review of the death certificates. This validation process can sometimes take a long time when a resident passes in another County or State. Other sources may report presumptive totals and therefore will vary with those reported here.		
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- Beaufort County Daily Case Count Timeline and 7-day average (Slide 7)
- Beaufort County Vaccination Statistics
 - Mr. Madson stated Beaufort is one of only about 3 counties in NC that the black population vaccination rate is higher than the white population vaccination rate. Vaccination by ethnicity data on slide 14

Tuesday, January 18, 2022		Total
Beaufort County Population (NCSCHS)	47,079	
Residents that are partially vaccinated against COVID-19	26,445	56.2%
Completed COVID-19 vaccine series (all vaccines)	24,856	52.8%
Received extra dose or has been given a booster	11,005	
Population over 65 years of age (NCSCHS)	11,281	
Over 65 that have received first dose of COVID-19 vaccine	10,606	94.0%
Over 65 that have completed series	10,245	90.8%
Adult Population (18 and older)	37,758	
Partially vaccinated	25,153	66.6%
Fully vaccinated	23,798	63.0%
12-17 year olds vaccinated	3,295	
Partially vaccinated	994	30.2%
Fully vaccinated	866	26.3%
5-11 year olds vaccinated	3,604	
Partially vaccinated	298	8.3%
Fully vaccinated	197	5.5%

- Vidant Medical Center Weekly Influenza Numbers
- Beaufort County number of tests conducted by week
- Beaufort County percent of tests positive by week
- Mr. Madson discussed the trends we were seeing with Omicron (high spread, lots of cases, low deaths)
- Mr. Madson reviewed the changes to contact tracing and how BCHD has revised procedures to only calling those 65 and older. Due to tremendous increase in cases, it became impossible for staff to contact all, so BCHD has prioritized to calling those most at risk.

Robert Belcher asked if Mr. Madson had heard anything about a 4th booster. Mr. Madson stated that he has not heard anything but feels at some point there will be a 4th shot, similar to an annual flu shot. Dr. Howdy asked about herd immunity. Mr. Madson explained how our herd immunity at this time is not high enough to stop the community spread as of now. He gave a detailed explanation of herd immunity and how it helps.

Two financial reports for FY 2021-2022 (as of 12/31/21) were shared and discussed with the Board:

1. Budget \$5,542,698. Expenditures 42% to budget (\$2,350,701.50)
2. Revenue:
 - State 38.6%, Medicaid 32.7%, Fees/Insurance/Other 80.8%

Mr. Madson provided updates on the following:

- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program

- Received MAT grant
 - MAT has been proven to help people with treatment and recovery
- Healthy Beginnings
 - Grant submitted to continue program for another 3-year grant cycle. We are waiting for award notification
- Community Health Work Program
 - Zaere Godley hired as the Community Health Outreach Program Coordinator
 - Intentions to expand Community Health Worker infrastructure in Beaufort County
 - Developing the Beaufort County Community College Community Health Program from a certificate to a certification
 - Mr. Madson reviewed how intricate CHW's could be to bettering the health and wellness of Beaufort County residents
- County Budget
 - Mr. Madson reiterated that COVID funding has helped supplement a lot of county funding and that it won't always be that way
- Staff
 - Mr. Madson expressed his sincere gratitude for BCHD staff. He stated that the past couple of years have weighed a lot on staff and staff have persevered and have gone above and beyond to do whatever is needed to see to it that the job was completed. Mr. Madson expressed his gratitude to the BOH for their appreciation and recognition of staff as well.

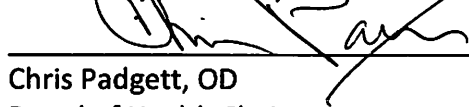
7) Adjournment of meeting:

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM with Angela Biggs motioning for the meeting to be adjourned and David Howdy providing the second to the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2022 at 6:00pm.

Minutes recorded by:


 JaNell Octigan, Human Services Planner IV
 Beaufort County Health Department

Minutes approved by the Board of Health on March 15, 2022:


 Chris Padgett, OD
 Board of Health Chair

Beaufort County Board of Health

18 January 2022



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Agenda

- ❖ Call to Order
- ❖ Public Comment
- ❖ Old Business
- ❖ New Business
- ❖ Communicable Disease (COVID-19)
- ❖ Financial Reports
- ❖ Health Director's update



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Old Business

- ❖ Approve minutes of November 16, 2021



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New Business

- ❖ Operating procedures
- ❖ Conflict of Interest Policy
- ❖ Documents
- ❖ Health Director Job Assessment
- ❖ Budget Amendments



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Budget Amendments FY 22

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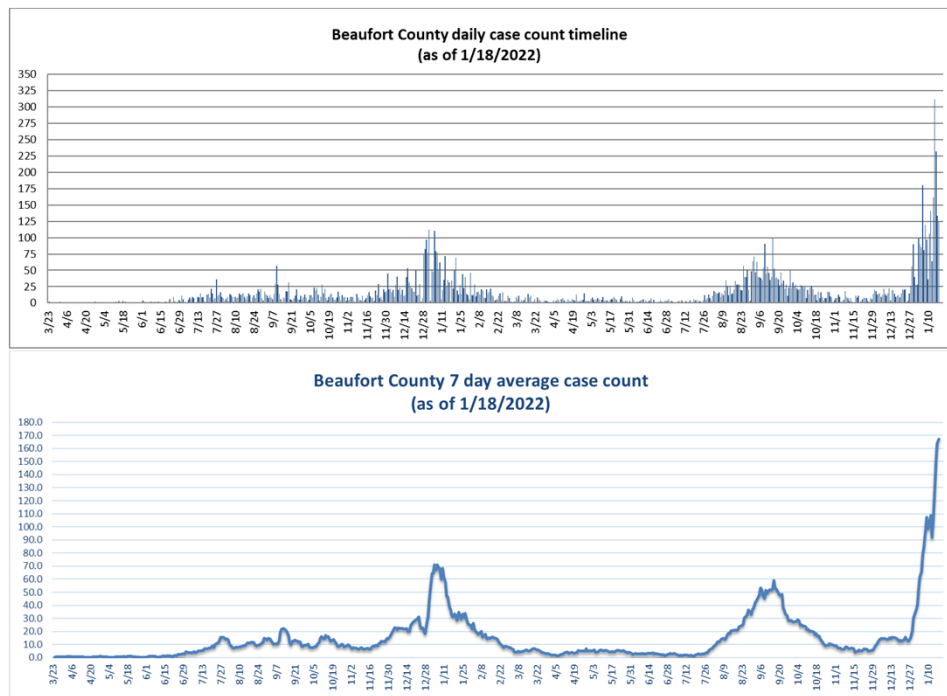
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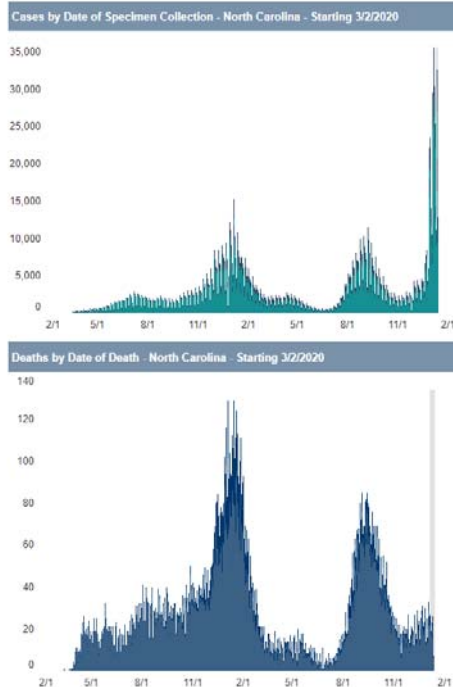
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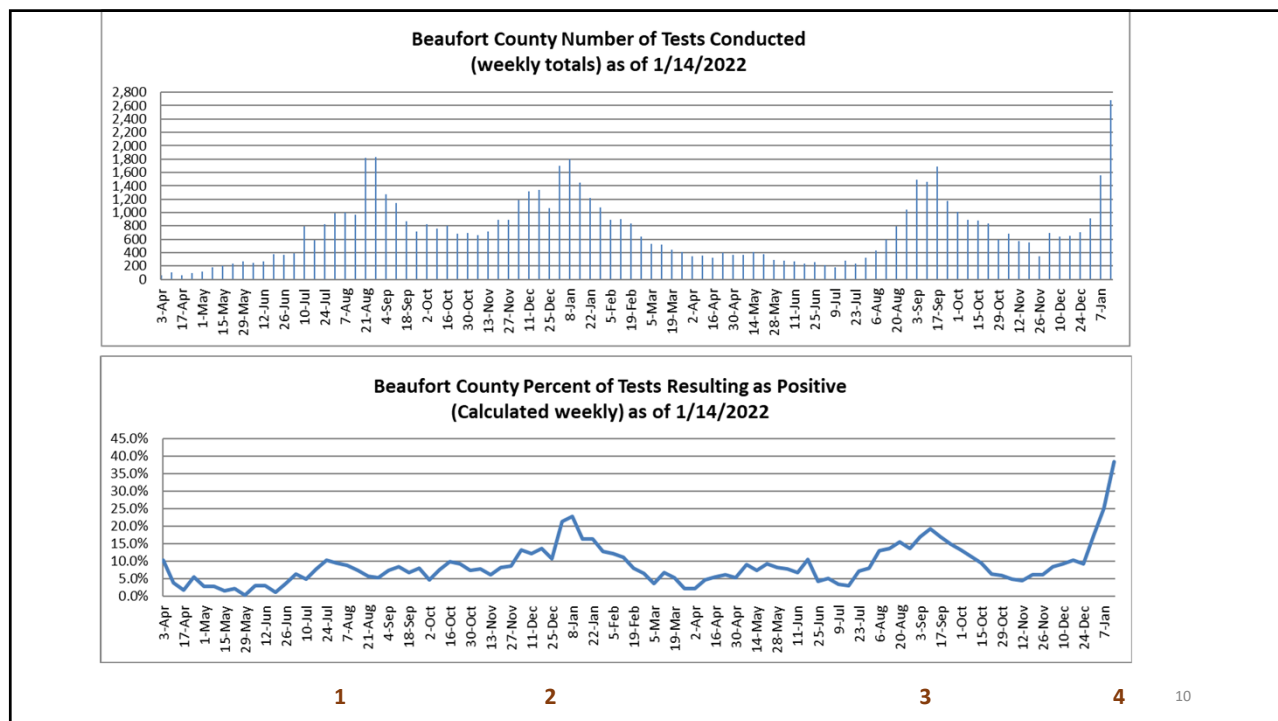
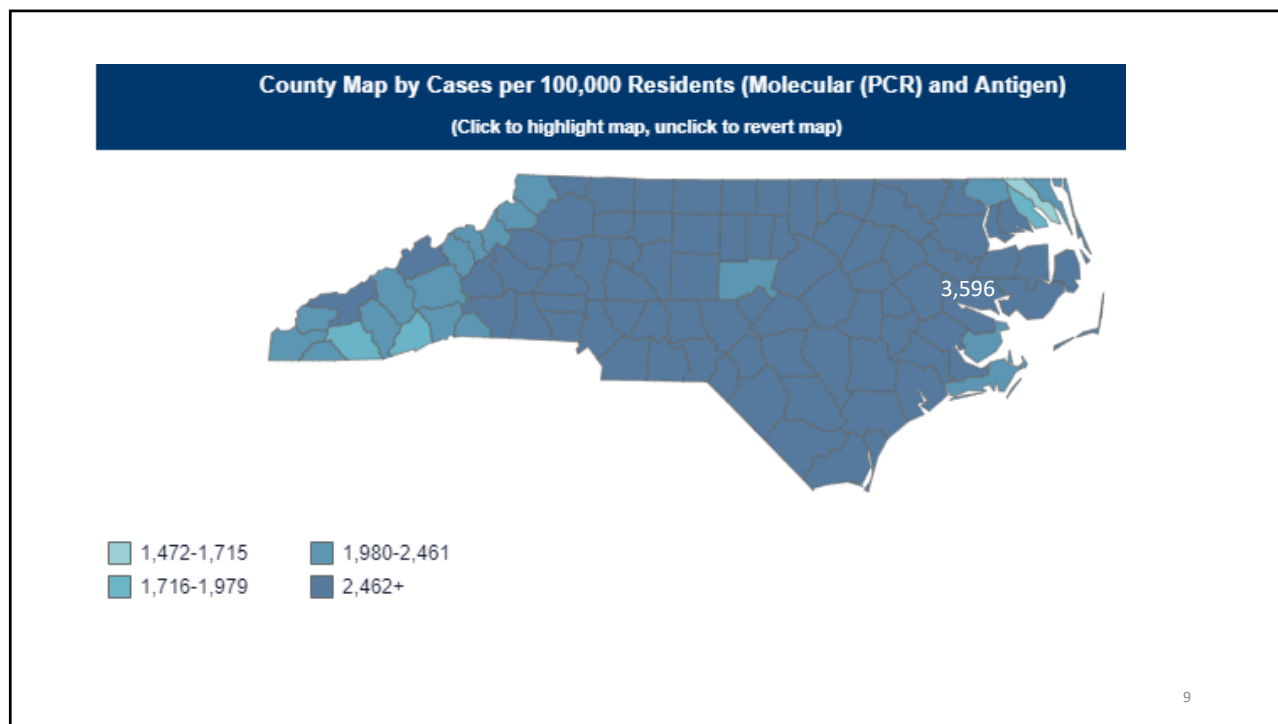
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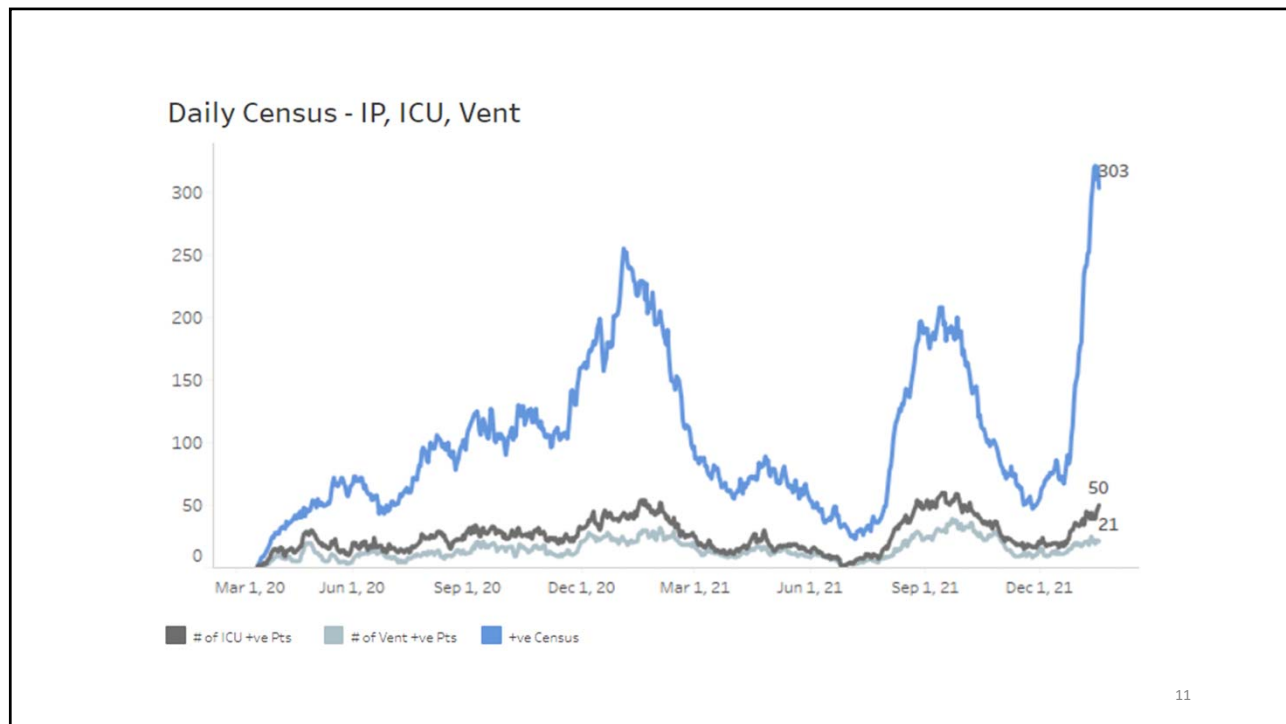


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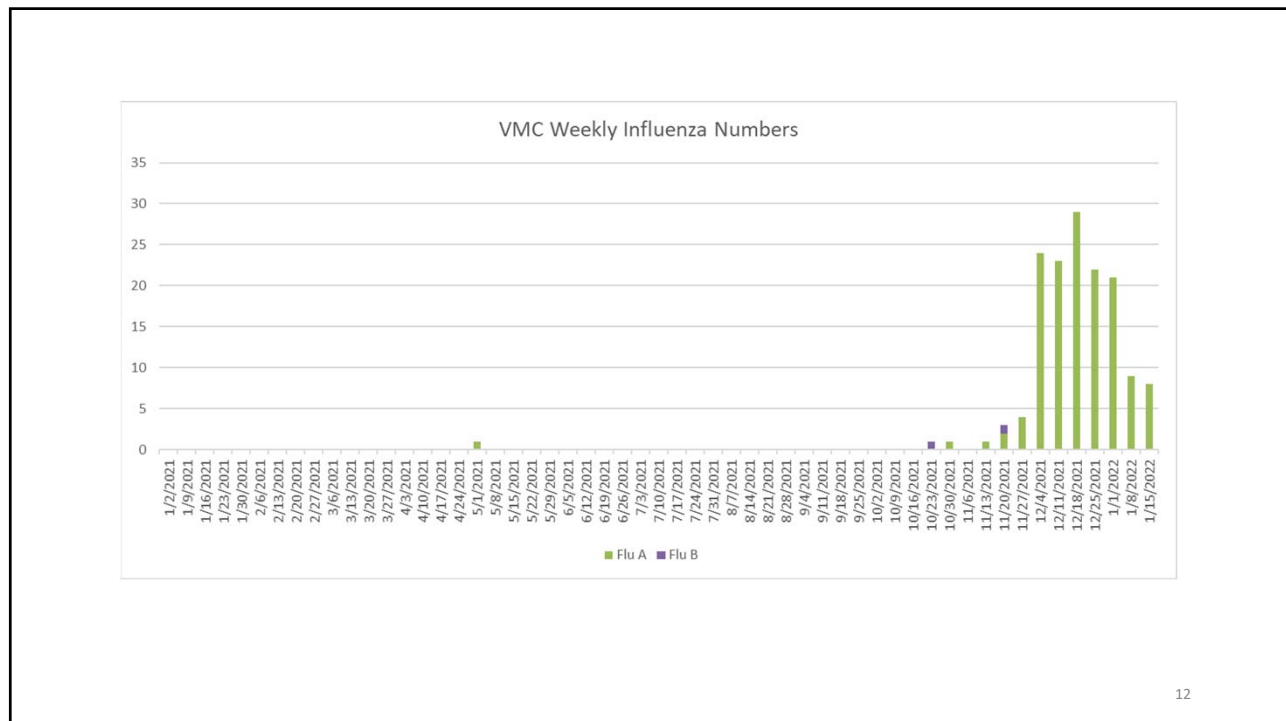


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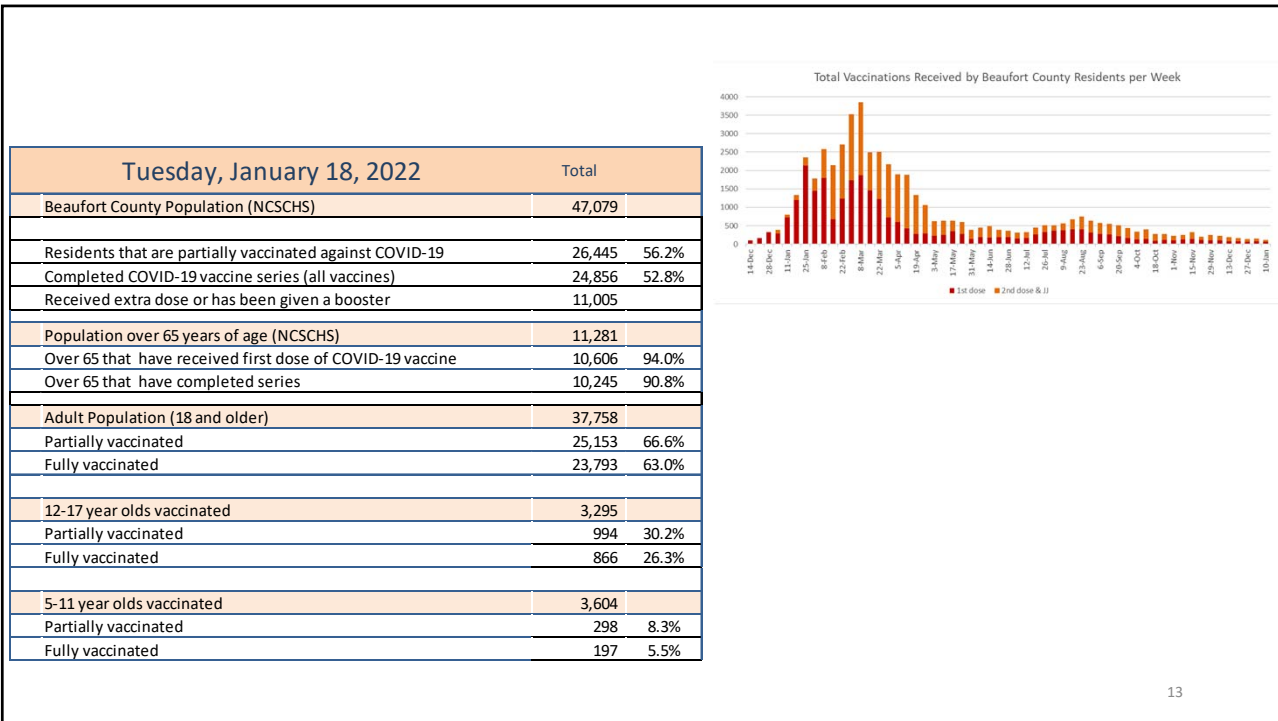




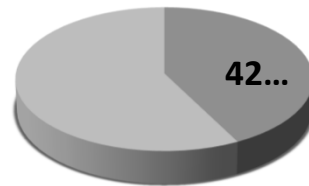
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FY 2022 Expenditures
(as of 12/31/21)



■ Expenses
\$2,350,701.50
■ Budget
\$5,542,698

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FY 2022
Revenue
(as of 12/31/21)



Revenue Source	YTD	Budget	% to Budget
State (includes WIC)	\$738,473.11	\$1,910,806	38.6%
Medicaid	\$219,593.97	\$671,269	32.7%
Fees/Insurance/ Other	\$731,100.97	\$904,590	80.8%

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Updates



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