

Outreach Report  
**Community Connections**  
**(Brought to you by First Lutheran Church, Galion Outreach)**  
**May 31, 2025 from 1:00pm-4:00pm**

**Division:**  
Nursing  
Sexual Health

**Participating Staff:**  
Brandi Riddlebaugh, BSN, RN, DON  
Abby Volk, Disease Intervention Specialist









**Anticipated Outcome:**

To provide the Galion community information on the services provided at the Galion City Health Department not only to our area children and families but also to those seeking certain medical assistance including services provided by our sexual health clinic.

**Description of Event:**

The Galion City Health Department was invited to attend this event and set up two separate tables with one focusing on services offered by the nursing division including car seat inspections and giveaways and another table highlighting the sexual health clinic. A variety of organizations hosted booths ranging from entertainment for children such as face painting and balloon animals to informational booths such as drug prevention services and the Red Cross. There were also food trucks outside of the school and a car show.

**Location:**

Galion Middle School, 474 Portland Way N, Galion, OH 44833

**Audience:**

Free to anyone in the community

**# of Community Members Impacted:**

Approximately 400 community members participated.

**Outcomes of Event:**

Close to 100 community members interacted with Abby at the sexual health clinic booth asking about our services while perusing our giveaways of a cinch bag, bubbles, notepads or candy. Our plush microbes are always a conversation starter as they look adorable, but they can be described as “germs” to children with further explanation provided by their parents



Brandi interacted with the same number of folks and passed out informational flyers along the way. She was able to distribute two car seats to community members and offered car seat checks throughout the day. A punch card was given to community members encouraging them to interact with certain tables at the event, and GCHD was one of the stops. Brandi punched approximately 50 cards. Once the participating individuals received all their punches, they were entered into the bicycle giveaway.

**In what ways can outreach be improved?**

This event was well attended but they waited until the day of the event to display yard signs around town which may have reached more community members if placed earlier. Additionally, we only saw 1-2 social media posts referencing the event from personal friends. More formalized posts on our community pages such as Talk About Galion could have been beneficial to increase attendance. Overall, this is a successful and positive event for our community with lots of room for growth. The cinch bags, bubbles, notepads and candy were a huge hit at the sexual health table. If we could brainstorm some more GCHD branded swag to keep on hand for events like this, that would be extremely beneficial to those working the booths giving them items to draw people in for more discussions.