



**City of Bridgeport
Department of Health
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Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

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A Message from the Director
Dr. Marian A. Evans

Greetings from the

**City of Bridgeport
Department of Health and
Social Services!**

Our mission is to promote and protect the health of the residents of Bridgeport through the provision of essential and mandated health services, monitoring of programs, enforcement of laws and ordinances, and collection of health information.

Our objectives are to provide a stable and trusted vehicle of communication, education, training, and collaboration between all Health and Social Services departments, and programs. We strive to incorporate technology in order to provide a more efficient and effective Health Department, and to support and encourage community health care planning as well as providing an array of effective social services.

We take special pride in the great work we do for the underserved and uninsured in our city. Let me take this time to extend a warm invitation to all to join me in our citywide health promotion activities and cultural health initiatives throughout the City of Bridgeport as we strive to become a healthier community.

Administration

203-576-7680

Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

- Provides brochures, films, health promotion and disease prevention initiatives, and information on major health concerns and issues.
- Bi-lingual, bi-cultural outreach to the community at large.

Communicable Disease

203-576-7468

HIV/AIDS Program--576-7679

- HIV Counseling and Testing.
- Needle Exchange Program.
- Outreach and Education.
- All services are free and confidential.

Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Clinic

Monday 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Wed. Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Friday 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Must register half-hour before end of clinic

- Provides diagnosis and treatment for all sexually transmitted diseases.
- 13 years and over, parental consent not required.
- \$10 fee and photo I.D required.

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East Side Clinic-576-7468

- Pediatric Immunization and Physicals for all school. (No infants)
- College immunizations for residents of Bridgeport and/or if they attend a college/university in Bridgeport.

Please call for an appointment.

Tuberculosis Services

- Testing and treatment for tuberculosis.
- Contact investigation and follow-up.
- \$10 fee and photo I.D required.

East Side Clinic-576-7468

- Pediatric Immunization and Physicals for all school children.
- College immunizations for residents of Bridgeport and/or if they attend a college/university in Bridgeport.

East Side Senior Center **1057 East Main Street**

Provides daily activities for Bridgeport senior citizens including:

- Nutrition Program
- Line dancing, yoga and other forms of exercise
- Pool table, dominoes, bingo, and other games
- Weekly health screening, blood pressure, and glucose monitoring
- Sewing, arts and crafts
- Special event parties and celebrations
- Trips

Environmental Health

203-576-7474

- Enforces local and State Health Code to maintain the health of the public.
- Provides restaurant and food service inspections.
- Investigates general environmental health problems i.e. refuse, litter and rodent complaints.
- Provides beach and water quality monitoring.
- Inspects daycare and nursery school facilities.
- Monitor air quality.

Housing & Commercial Code Enforcement

203-576-7072

- Enforces local and state ordinances that pertain to residential structures in Bridgeport.
- Inspects and licenses Rooming Houses and Hotels.
- Provides inspections and issues Certificates of Apartment Occupancy.
- Inspects for general Housing Code violations, upon request of tenants or other agencies.
- Maintains records of housing code complaints for all apartments in Bridgeport.

Human Services

203-576-7110

- Oversees departments under Human Services umbrella including Office For Persons with Disabilities, Veterans Affairs, East Side Senior Center and the City's Youth Service Bureau.
- Manages human services grants through sub-contract with non-profit agencies.
- Facilitates the State DRS Neighborhood Assistance Act Program.
- Coordinates Dial-A-Ride Transportation Program for Seniors and People with Disabilities.

Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

203-576-8419

- Provides lead screening to children under the age of six.
- Provides counseling and relocation of families with lead poisoned children.
- Identifies sources of lead and ensures elimination or reduction of lead hazards in structures built prior to 1978.
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Persons with Disabilities

203-576-8301

- Information and Referral
- Handicapped Parking Permit Applications
- Portable Ramp
- Food Vouchers
- Para-Transit/Transportation
- Home Repairs & Personal Assistant Program

Public Health Emergency Preparedness

203-576-7024

- Plans and coordinates the City of Bridgeport Health & Social Services Department's response to all public health emergencies.
- Recruitment of lay and medical volunteers who will assist with local and regional responses to public health emergencies.
- Provides emergency preparedness training and education to employees and community.
- Plan and implement drills and exercises for Health Department and community.

Public Health Nursing

203-576-7464

- Provides health screenings and immunization programs, intervention for physical illness and accidents, health education, psychosocial counseling and home visits.
- Flu Clinic
- “Bridgeport Airs” program.

Social Services Department

203-576-7472

- The City of Bridgeport Social Services Department is responsible for assisting our city in meeting the human services of its residents. The following services are available:
- Provides training services to the State Administered General Assistance (SAGA) and Food Stamps recipients who are Able-Bodied adults without children and former TFA recipients.

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- **Elderly Hispanic Outreach & Referral Services** Provide outreach & referral benefits counseling to the elderly Hispanic population in the greater Bridgeport area.
 - **Community Department Block Grant Program (CDBG)** Provides services to residents primarily through case-management, information/referral and relocation services.
 - **Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)** Provide information and referral services, emergency services and case management services to residents.
 - **Healthy Start** provides outreach services to promote the Husky Plan. A comprehensive health insurance program to help Connecticut families obtain and afford health insurance for their children.
 - **Women, Infants & Children Supplement Nutrition Program (WIC)-576-7575**
 - o Provides at no cost, specific nutritious foods to pregnant, post-partum and breast-feeding women, infants and children less than five year of age.
 - o Group and one-on one nutrition counseling.

Veterans Affairs

203-576-8348

- Provides information and referral on entitlements for:
 - o Military Benefits
 - o Medical Benefits
 - o Death Benefits
 - o Addiction Services
 - o Education
 - o Employment
 - o Requests for records, medals and awards
- Food pantry for all veterans in need and their families.
- Daily transportation to the VA Hospital in West Haven.

Vital Records

203-576-7477

- The mission of the Vital Records Department is to receive all records for occurrences that happen in Bridgeport.
- Records adoptions, affidavits of parentage, legal name changes, corrections and amendments.
- Certified copies of birth, and marriage licenses.
- Issue burial; cremation and disinterment permits to funeral directors.
- Civil unions and marriages.