



LEWIS COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

The Shelter's goal is to attract responsible pet owners who will provide adopted animals a permanent, loving home. The shelter houses stray, homeless, and unwanted animals. The Lewis County Animal Shelter is open to the public 10am-4pm Tuesday through Saturday. Lost or Found pets please contact the Lewis County Animal Shelter at (360) 740-1290.

CODE COMPLIANCE

Our Code Compliance Division receives, investigates, tracks, and coordinates code violation complaints for Lewis County Environmental Health, Community Development, and Public Works. Code Compliance can also assist property owners with the removal of Hulk vehicles from their property by doing inspections and issuing appropriate forms.



Public Health & Social Services

Need more information or to contact a
specific program/division:

(360) 740-1223

[www.lewiscountywa.gov/departments/
public-health/](http://www.lewiscountywa.gov/departments/public-health/)
360 NW North Street,
Chehalis, WA 98532



WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH?

Health is the foundation of a thriving community. Public Health works with others to build a solid foundation that supports good health for all by making sure everyone has clean air and water, healthy food, and access to healthcare and safe neighborhoods. Within are descriptions of programs and services provided to you by Lewis County Public Health and Social Services.

OUR MISSION

Lewis County Public Health & Social Services strives to encourage local, regional, state and national relationships and opportunities to protect, promote and improve the health of our community.

OUR VISION

A Safe, Healthy and Thriving Lewis County.



COMMUNITY SERVICES

Our Community Services Division promotes healthy communities, disease/injury prevention, and maternal, child, and family health. Services include communicable disease and notifiable condition reporting and follow-up, a tuberculosis program, immunization information, maternity/child health support, and services and referrals to help people get the services they need to stay healthy. We also conduct community assessments and improvement plans, community outreach, and collaboration with individuals and organizations to develop and maintain strategies for addressing public health issues.

SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS

Social Services coordinates funding and leads projects that address:

- Behavioral health, substance use disorder treatment, and substance abuse prevention
- Employment programs for adults with Developmental Disabilities
- Recreation Programs for adults with Developmental Disabilities
- Housing Programs

SNAP-ED

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – Education (SNAP-Ed) supports evidence-based nutrition education and obesity prevention interventions and projects. We work with community partners to ensure consistent and equitable access to healthy, safe, affordable foods essential to optimal health and well-being.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Our Environmental Health Division includes several programs that promote and protect the health of our community.

- The Onsite Septic System Program helps ensure safe septic systems, protecting public health, the environment, and ground water.
- The Food Safety Program promotes health and disease prevention through education, trainings, and regulation of food services establishments.
- The Drinking Water Program reviews water system plans for small water systems, site inspections for proposed drinking water wells, ensures building sites have an approved source of drinking water prior to building site approvals, and reviews water quality monitoring data.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Emergencies and disasters can impact the public's health in many ways. We are working to enhance our department's internal readiness, in addition to our ability to work more collaboratively with community partners, emergency responders, and elected officials.

WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN (WIC)

WIC services assure healthy pregnancies, birth outcomes, and growth and development for women, infants, and children up to age five. WIC supports health screenings, breastfeeding, and nutrition and health education. WIC is available at the Public Health Building in Chehalis. WIC staff also make monthly visits to Randle, Mossyrock, and Winlock. Families of all sizes and types may qualify for WIC. Call 360-740-1255 or 1-800-562-6130 ext. 1255.

VITAL RECORDS (BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATES)

You may order Vital Records (Birth and Death Certificates) in person from Lewis County Public Health & Social Services Department or online through [VitalCheck](#). If you have any questions about the ordering process, please give us a call at (360) 740-1223.

VETERAN'S SERVICES

The Lewis County Veteran's Assistance Program helps eligible veterans or family members with one-time, emergent financial assistance for basic living expenses such as rent/housing, utilities, and funeral expenses.

