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Over the past year, we have protected the public's health in many ways. Here are a few examples:

We prevented the spread of disease by quickly responding to outbreaks. For example, last June we responded to a food borne illness outbreak caused by a frozen berry product contaminated with Hepatitis A. We provided nearly 1,000 individuals with preventive treatment to protect them and head off any spread of illness.

Through our Community Resiliency Project we have strengthened the capacity of our communities to both prepare for, and be able to quickly respond to emergencies;

We launched several new campaigns to help you and your family get the benefits of healthy living, eating and safety.

Examples include:

The Choose Health LA Restaurant recognition program, which celebrates local restaurants offering healthier options to their patrons;

The LA Reducing Obesity in Child Care Settings project (LA ROCCS), which deliver the building blocks for healthy living to our youngest community members; and

The Break Up with Tobacco campaign, which encourages current smokers to re-examine their toxic relationship with tobacco.

These are only a small example of what we have accomplished on your behalf in the past year.

Our 39 programs work in close collaboration with many key city, County and community partners. Those partnerships are vital to improving health and preventing illness and injury.

Our job #1 is to protect and improve the health of all Los Angeles County residents, and we thank you for putting your trust in the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

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