

# Public Health

Saves Lives & Money



# Life expectancy in the USA hits a record high

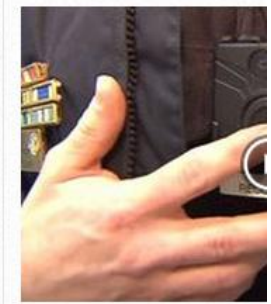
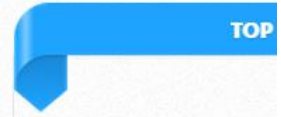
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According to a new government report, Americans are living longer as death rates fall. Rates also dropped for nearly all the leading causes of death. However, the suicide rate reached its highest point in 25 years and it's not clear as to why. Newslook

1900: 47 Years

2014: 78.8  
Years



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## Health

# Life expectancy around world shows dramatic rise, study finds

Men are living 11 years longer and women 12 years compared with 40 years ago, although health problems are also rising

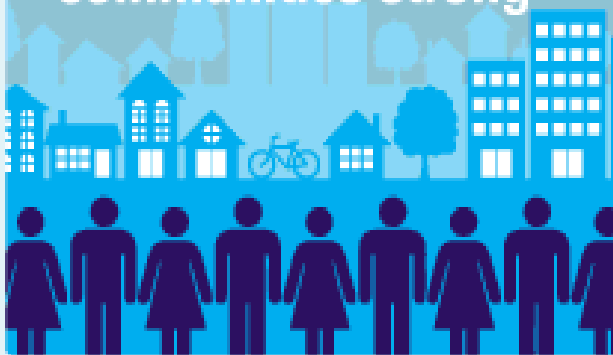


📷 People exercise during a Respect-for-the-Aged event in Tokyo. Japanese women have the world's longest life expectancy at 86. Photograph: Franck Robichon/EPA

# Funding public health protects our communities and kids, saves lives ... and saves money

## Prevention and public health programs:

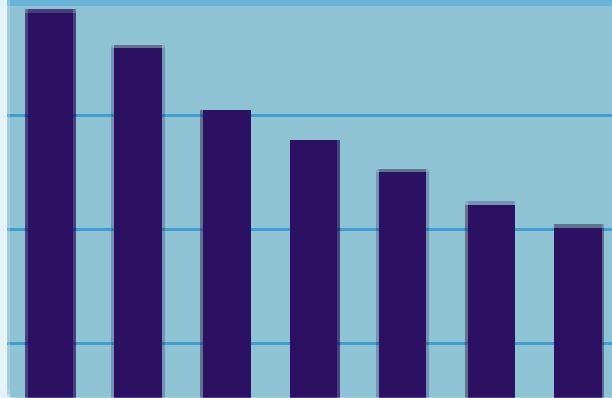
Keep our kids  
healthy and  
communities strong



Save lives

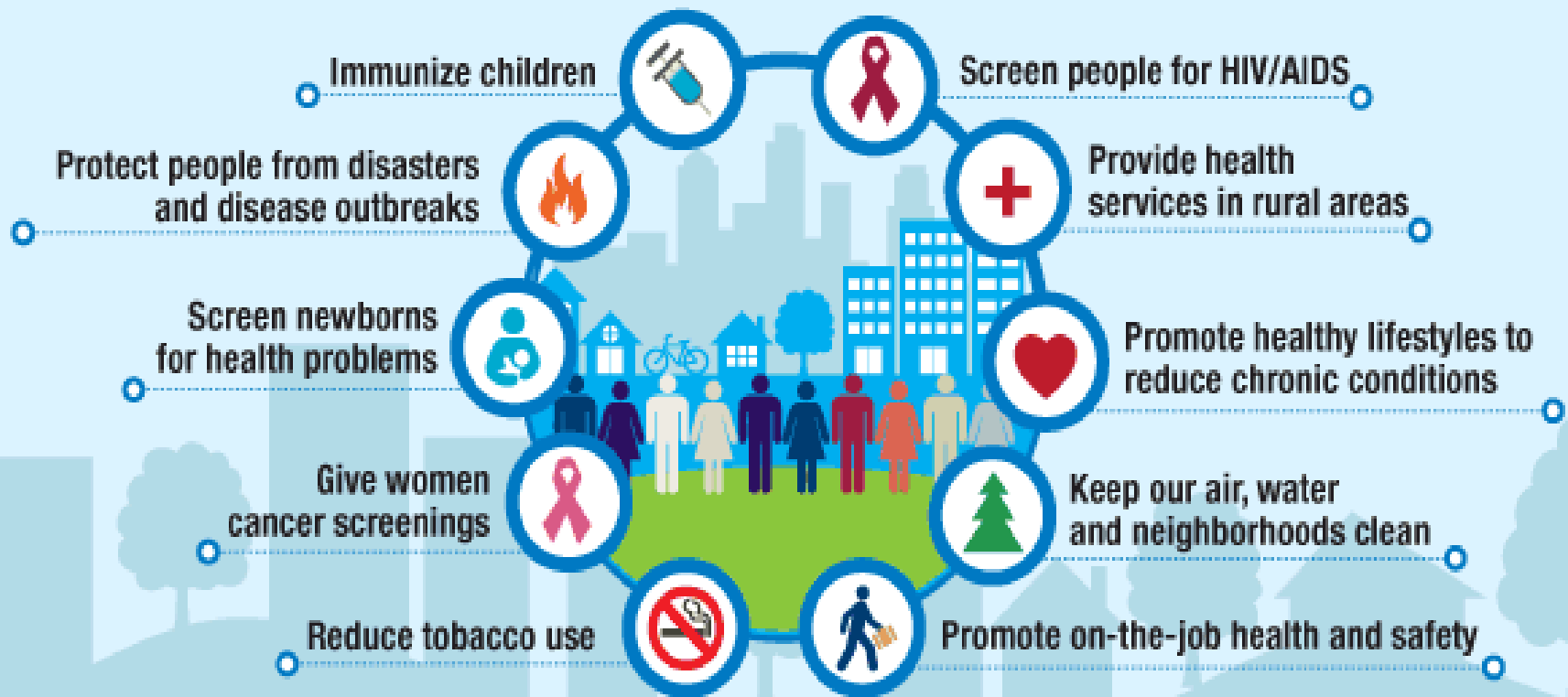


Save money



# Public health keeps kids healthy and communities strong

## Public health and prevention programs in your community:



**We all benefit**

# Public health saves lives

For each 10 percent increase in local public health spending:

Infant deaths decrease

6.9%

Cardiovascular deaths decrease

3.2%

Diabetes deaths decrease

1.4%

Cancer deaths decrease

1.1%



Seatbelt use reduces serious injuries and death in car crashes by

**50%**

In the 20th century, the U.S. reduced the rate of adults who smoke from 42% in 1965 to 25% in 1997.

42%



1965

Rates continue to drop — in 2010, 19% of adults smoked.

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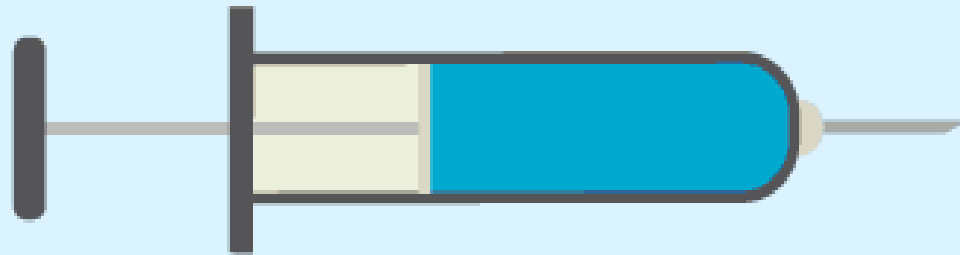
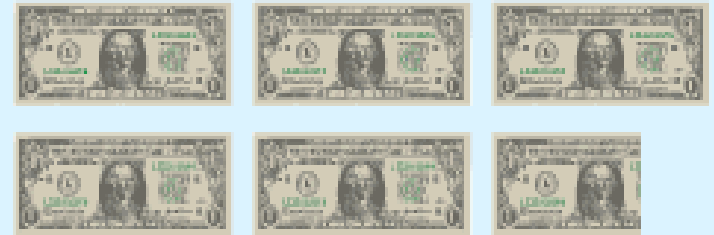


2010

# Public health saves money



Every \$1 spent on prevention saves \$5.60 in health spending.



Every \$1 spent on childhood vaccines saves \$16.50 in future health care costs.

~~75%~~  
75%

of U.S. health spending is on preventable chronic conditions such as obesity, heart disease and diabetes, but only **3 cents of every \$1 spent** on health care goes toward public health and prevention.



*“An ounce of prevention is  
worth a pound of cure.”*  
– Benjamin Franklin



**We must protect and increase funding  
for public health programs at all levels**