

Park County Coroners Office Update

The Park County Coroners Office consists of the full time coroner, full time chief deputy coroner and three deputy coroners. We respond 24 hours a day 7 days a week to all deaths and we also do all death notifications in the county. We are the smallest fully accredited coroners office in the world. To further support our community we created the Coroner CARE Team in 2016. This team currently consists of 15 volunteers. These volunteers also respond 24/7 to support families and friends. This team is the heart and sole of our office.

2022 was the busiest year in the Park County Coroners Office. The rise in deaths is not easily explained. We have seen a rise in alcohol associated deaths but also suicides and motor vehicle crashes in recent years. Heart disease and cancer go back and forth as the leading causes of death here in Park County. Our annual reports that list out these deaths back to 2014 are online on our web-site for the public to view anytime.

There has been a buzz lately about fentanyl. We have seen an uptick in fentanyl deaths since early 2023 however we have also seen an uptick in methamphetamine deaths equal to fentanyl. In addition to these deaths the overall rise in deaths have nearly doubled in the last 14 years. We are currently working closely with the commissioners to expand our facility we have outgrown to continue to serve our citizens on their worst days. We are always happy to answer any of your questions by calling or emailing us. 719-836-4340.

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