

# Mosquito-Borne Disease Control Program



## Blair County Emergency Management Agency

- Complaints and Concerns

Please call Blair County Emergency Management at (814)-940-5901 or email [EMA@blairco.org](mailto:EMA@blairco.org). Or visit PA DEP's website to file a complaint.

- Stay Up to Date

Visit PA DEP's website to stay up to date on current West Nile Virus information.

## REDUCE THE RISK AT HOME

Mosquitoes need water to breed, and stagnant water is the perfect breeding ground. They are able to breed in as little as a tablespoon of water and prefer stagnant, organic sources of water. Residents can help reduce the risk of West Nile Virus transmission by eliminating standing water around their homes.

In 2023-2024, the following species were found within the county, *Aedes albopictus*, *Aedes cinereus*, *Aedes atropalpus*, *Aedes canadensis*, *Aedes japonicus*, *Aedes triseriatus*, *Aedes trivittatus*, *Aedes vexans*, *Anopheles barberi*, *Anopheles punctipennis*, *Coquillettidia perturbans*, *Culex erraticus*, *Culex pipiens*, *Culex restuans*, *Culex salinarius*, *Culex territans*, *Psorophora ferox*, *Psorophora columbiae*, *Toxorhynchites rutilus septentrionalis*, and *Uranotaenia sapphirina*.

### Get rid of items that collect water

- Old tires, tin cans, buckets, and flower pots
- Corrugated downspout extensions

### Keep puddles from forming

- Fill in ruts in low-lying areas
- Repair leaky pipes or outdoor faucets
- Clear drains and gutter of debris
- Eliminate low spots that may collect water on pool covers, grill covers, and tarps

### Stop stagnant water

- Change or empty the water in bird baths and kiddie pools
- Cover trash containers and recycling bins
- Empty drip trays for planters
- Fill in tree holes/stumps

### In addition, do not forget to

- Keep grass cut short and bushes trimmed, reducing daytime resting areas