

APPRAISAL OF MONTREAL'S HEALTH SERVICES

	<u>Points</u>		<u>Per cent.</u>
	<u>Total Allocated</u>	<u>Total Scored</u>	
Vital Statistics	60	43	72
Communicable Disease Control	175	95	54
Venereal Disease Control	50	30	60
Tuberculosis Control	100	55	55
Maternity and Ante-Natal Hygiene	75	66	88
Infant Hygiene	75	48	64
Pre-School Hygiene	50	44	88
School Hygiene	150	74	49
Sanitation (Water and Sewerage)	100	94	94
Laboratory	70	24	34
Milk Control	60	34	57
Food Control	15	8	53
Popular Health Instruction	20	9	45
Total	1,000	624	62.4

This means that the combined effort of Montreal's official and voluntary services measures only about two-thirds of the best examples of such services in other cities of comparable size.

A city with reasonably adequate health services will score over 900, or 90 per cent.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE RESPONSIBILITY

The care of the public health is a state responsibility that is generally accepted throughout the civilized world. The public authority may meet its responsibility by purchasing services from a private agency.

It is recommended -

1. That voluntary health organizations be placed on a basis to render the most effective service by payment to them, by the public authority, on an established basis, for service given according to the standard set by the public authority.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, MONTREAL

It is recommended -

1. That, during the next three years, the budget of the Department of Health be increased to \$638,640.00 to permit of the carrying-out of the detailed recommendations of the Survey.

Recommended Budget	-	\$639,640.00	(91 cents per capita)
Expenditure, 1927	-	274,201.58	(39 cents per capita)

Increase	-	<u>364,438.42</u>
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2. That a Board of Health of five members be constituted as follows:- The University of Montreal and McGill University each to nominate two members, who, together with the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the City Council, shall be appointed by the City Council as the Board of Health of Montreal. The Director of the Department of Health to be, ex-officio, the secretary of the Board, and to have the right to enter into all discussions, but not to vote.

This would bring to the aid of the city administration a small group, competent to act as advisors concerning the health work of the city, and to interpret to the public the work of the Department.

3. That the Island of Montreal be organized as a health unit.
4. That the City be divided into Sanitary Districts, with a Health Centre in each district.