



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 8/12/2025

File #: 25-917

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Public Health

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

California Department of Public Health Future of Public Health Allocation for Fiscal Year 2025-26 in the Amount of \$926,739

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Accept the California Department of Public Health Future of Public Health Allocation for Fiscal Year 2025-26 in the amount of \$926,739; and
2. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services - Public Health Branch Director, or designee thereof, to execute the attached California Department of Public Health Future of Public Health Funding Annual Certification; and
3. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services - Public Health Branch Director, or designee thereof, to execute the attached California Department of Public Health Future of Public Health Funding Acknowledgement of Allocation Letter; and
4. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services - Public Health Branch Director, or designee thereof, to execute any and all subsequent amendments, certifications, attestations, and documents directly associated with the attached California Department of Public Health Future of Public Health Allocation for Fiscal Year 2025-26 after review by Risk Management, County Counsel and the County Administrative Office; and
5. Direct the Clerk of the Board to provide the Department of Health and Human Services - Contract Unit with one Certified Copy of the Board Order pertaining to this item.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Workforce & Operational Excellence

Strategic Plan Category: 3001 - Support a well-trained workforce

DISCUSSION:

Starting in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23, the California Budget Act of 2022 provides \$300 million of state general funds to California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to support the Public Health infrastructure at the State and Local levels. Of the \$300 million annual investment, also known as Future of Public Health funding, \$99.6 million is dedicated for state operations while \$200.4 million is annually allocated to 61 local health jurisdictions (LHJs) for local assistance.

The Future of Public Health Funding offers unique opportunity to strengthen and expand local public health workforce, particularly to fill staffing gaps identified during the COVID-19 pandemic. As CDPH recognizes community needs, challenges, and infrastructure are different for each LHJ, and the intent for Future of Public Health funding is to be used flexibly in ways that are appropriate for each local context and reflect the needs of each LHJ.

As required by statute, at least 70% of the funding must be spent on expanding permanent public health workforce, including supporting recruitment of new permanent city or county staff, including benefits and training. As required by statute, maximum of 30% of the Future of Public Health funding maybe used for equipment, supplies, and other administrative purposes such as facility space, furnishings, travel, and similar activities.

Beginning FY 2022-23, the County of Humboldt Department of Health and Human Services - Public Health Branch (DHHS - Public Health) has been receiving an annual Future of Public Health Funding allocation in the amount of \$938,349.

Beginning FY 2025-26, DHHS - Public Health will receive an annual Future of Public Health Funding allocation in the amount of \$926,739. This 1.24% decrease in allocation is due to funding cuts made by State of California Budget for FY 2025-26.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Public Health Fund (1175) Future of Public Health (400005)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

<i>Expenditures (1175-400005)</i>	FY24-25	FY25-26
<i>Budgeted Expenses</i>	\$938,349	\$926,739
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	\$938,349	\$926,739

<i>Funding Sources (1175-400005)</i>	FY24-25	FY25-26
<i>State/Federal Funds</i>	\$938,349	\$926,739
<i>Total Funding Sources</i>	\$938,349	\$926,739

Narrative Explanation of Financial Impact:

Approval of the CDPH Future of Public Health Funding Allocation for FY 2025-26 will allow DHHS - Public Health to be reimbursed a maximum of \$926,739. This allocation was anticipated and is currently budgeted for in the FY 2025-26 budget in the Public Health Fund (1175) Future of Public Health (400005) Budget Unit.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Acceptance of the Future of Public Health Allocation for FY 2025-26 will assist in maintaining current staffing levels across multiple DHHS - Public Health programs. Activities planned through this funding will complement and expand upon existing initiatives currently funded through other funding sources.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

California Department of Public Health (CDPH)

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Your Board may choose not to accept the recommendations; however, this would result in a loss of funding for staffing, training, and other opportunities for DHHS - Public Health.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. CDPH Future of Public Health FY 2025-2026 Funding Memo
2. CDPH Future of Public Health Funding Annual Certification
3. CDPH Future of Public Health Funding Acknowledgment of Allocation Letter

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: 01/24/23; 04/25/23; 05/16/23; 05/07/24

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