

# **CALAVERAS HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY**

## **FUTURE OF PUBLIC HEALTH OVERVIEW**

Through the 2022 Budget Act, California took a transformational step toward rebuilding our state and local public health workforce and infrastructure that was devastated by the COVID-19 pandemic and years of disinvestment. The \$300 million ongoing General Fund investment (\$200 million for local health departments, \$100 million for CDPH), referred to as the Future of Public Health, is a critical investment in our state's public health readiness and response to existing and emerging public health threats.

## **FUTURE OF PUBLIC HEALTH INVESTMENTS REBUILD OUR LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Funded their first ever community health assessment.
- Funds used to hire three positions, including a focus on older adults and healthy aging, policy and procedure development, and data analytics and informatics.
- Developed communication and media capabilities to assist in providing timely, accurate, and actionable information related to communicable disease prevention, community safety, and other mass communication needs.
- Established a new disease surveillance method for a small, rural jurisdiction.
- Enhanced public health mobile programs and services unit to bring public health services to community members where they live; this has been especially important among lower-income residents who experience a greater burden having to travel longer distances within the county.