

COLUSA COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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

- FoPH funding has allowed the county to conduct and complete its community health assessment (CHA) which has shaped collective health outcome goals for the next 3-5 years as identified in the county's community health improvement plan (CHIP).
- With FoPH support, the county has expanded its capabilities related to communicable disease control and prevention by expanding immunization clinics, conducting communicable disease and COVID-19 education and outreach, and providing staff training and development.
- Without this funding, the department would not be able to move forward on hiring new positions, clinical services and outreach activities would be reduced, and efforts toward accreditation would be stopped.