

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY HEALTH 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

- Funds an Epidemiologist to manage disease occurrences throughout the jurisdiction.
- Supports a Health Improvement Plan manager to partner with community members and community-based organizations to tackle the most challenging health issues, such as housing, access to care, behavioral health.
- Funds Trilingual outreach worker (English, Spanish, Mixteco) to assist low-income, underserved populations with getting public health and human service needs met.
- Funds Communications coordinator to ensure population gets quality informative messages about public health services and general health messaging.