

# **SOLANO COUNTY HEALTH & SOCIAL 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**

- Hired an infection prevention coordinator to work with long term care facilities, protecting their most vulnerable residents. The team served 190 long term care facilities in the county. This team provides outbreak and prevention guidance, informational resources, and vaccination outreach.
- Expanded Home Visiting programs, including Healthy Families America, Nurse Family Partnership, and IMPACT models. These positions provide services to high-risk perinatal population. These positions can also be flexed to respond to public health emergencies.
- Expanded capacity of Regional Public Health Laboratory, serving Solano, Napa, Yolo, and Marin counties.
- Funded a Health Equity Coordinator to integrate Health Equity into all public health operations and services. For example, their Health's mobile health service brought culturally and linguistically appropriate care directly to vulnerable communities in Fairfield.
- Hired a health education specialist to increase enrollment in WIC and Nutrition services in Vallejo, a city that houses some of their most vulnerable community members.