





GLENN COUNTY 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 decades of disinvestment. The \$276 million ongoing General Fund investment (roughly \$188 million for local health departments, \$98 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 protect local communities from existing and emerging public health threats.

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

- Established the Community Assessment, Planning and Evaluation (CAPE) Unit: FoPH funds facilitated the creation of the CAPE Unit, a key component of the public health system. The CAPE Unit delivered critical health information, evaluation, planning, and technical assistance to various stakeholders, included public health programs, community partners, decision-makers, and residents. This initiative aimed to enhance community health and tackle underlying causes of health inequities.
- Comprehensive Community Health Assessment (CHA): With FoPH support, Glenn County conducted its first-ever CHA, including the development of an engaging website, informative video, and interactive Geographic Information Systems (GIS) dashboard. This comprehensive assessment has provided valuable insights into the community's health needs and resident priorities, enabling the county to become more informed and knowledgeable about local public health challenges.
- Implemented the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP): FoPH Funds enabled dedicated staff to implement the county's inaugural CHIP efforts, which included the formation of the Public Health CHIP Implementation Team. The newly developed CHIP Subcommittees focused on addressing critical health and safety disparities, included access to resources, shortages of medical providers, transportation, and behavioral health. The CHIP Implementation Team facilitated and guided CHIP Subcommittee efforts, helping to move the work forward.

-  Supported Integration with Local Managed Care Plan: FoPH funds allowed Public Health to collaborate with Partnership HealthPlan (PHP) to host community town halls as well as a provider roundtable. The town halls for residents offered practical tips for maintaining good health and highlighted the benefits available to PHP members. During the provider roundtable, local healthcare providers were presented with valuable insights on mortality and morbidity trends, as well as detailed information regarding specialty care referrals and transportation benefits available through PHP. In addition, Public Health successfully integrated PHP into the Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) processes, ensuring that PHP's participation was both meaningful and responsive to the needs of residents.
-  Hospital/EMS System Support: FoPH funding allowed Public Health Staff to actively engage with Glenn Medical Center (GMC) regarding the hospital's closure to support residents' access to health care services. This included Public Health's participation in a local workgroup to evaluate the local EMS system in partnership with Glenn County LEMSA.
-  FoPH funding supported Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) awareness among medical providers and community groups and maintained a countywide Fatality Review Team to analyze the underlying causes of death, ultimately enhancing community safety.
-  FoPH funding supported staff efforts to address the needs of the aging population by combating social isolation and raised awareness about the dangers of fentanyl and opioids through town hall events.