

# TRINITY 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

- Built a skilled public health workforce by supporting key roles such as a data analyst, community health nurse, health equity coordinator, and two community health workers.
- Developed data systems to address health issues present in the county, including opioid use and communicable disease surveillance.
- Expanded prevention services to remote communities of the county that are significantly medically underserved, including providing vaccinations, sexually transmitted infection testing resources and information, and education on healthy infant development among new mothers.
- Enhanced workforce development efforts, including providing training on basic core competencies for all public health staff around equity, ethics, cultural competency, and health literacy.
- Increased community engagement to promote health equity, access to health care services, promotion of healthy lifestyles, harm reduction and prevention, and addressing wildfire- and climate-related health risks present in the county.