

# YOLO 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

- Hired outreach staff and data scientists to work with the community to identify needs and collaborate with community partners to address them.
- Hired a farmworker health program coordinator to survey and meet the health and social services needs of Yolo's large migrant farmworker population.
- Hired personnel to administer their innovative wellness vending machine program, offering free supplies like COVID-19 tests, mosquito repellent, condoms, emergency contraception, fentanyl test kits, and soon, naloxone to people who otherwise could not access them.
- Funds created better health outcomes for those most impacted by racial, ethnic and economic disparities by slowing the spread of disease and working with communities to plan programs providing opportunities for the community to be healthy.
- Increased capacity to provide communicable disease services by supporting one full time Education Specialist position.
- Supported a position to advance contracts and provide analyst oversight.
- Supported contract with Sacramento County Public Health to provide clinical and case management for suspect and confirmed active TB cases and electronic DOT case management.
- Increased capacity and to focus more intentionally on the three priorities in our Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP).