

FULLY FUND PUBLIC HEALTH MODERNIZATION 2023

To protect all people in Oregon

In 2015, the Oregon Legislature established a requirement to modernize Oregon's public health system by 2025. After eight years and \$60 million invested, local public health organizations have made major improvements to control communicable disease, achieve equitable health outcomes, expand epidemiology capabilities, detect environmental health threats, and prepare for emergency response. But there is still a lot of work that needs to be done. That's why we're urging significant investment in OHA's Public Health Modernization Policy Option Package #406 at \$150 million.

\$150 Million will send...

\$52.6 million

Local Public Health Authorities

\$52.4 million

Community Based Organizations

\$15.7 million

Tribal Health Authorities

\$22.1 million

Oregon Health Authority

\$5.2 million

Reproductive Health Services

What is Public Health Modernization?

The goal of modernization is to build up the basic public health protections and programs in every community in Oregon so that everyone has access to the critical services and supports no matter where they live, work, or play.



According to the Rede Group's After Action Report on COVID-19 Pandemic Response, Oregon's public health system continues to be "critically under-funded." Its #1 recommendation:

"As the COVID-pandemic is ongoing and additional population-level health emergencies have surfaced, the Oregon State Legislature must fund the public health system at the level requested in 2023-2025 OHA budget request for \$286,000,000 devoted to public health modernization and \$32,000,000 to develop a pandemic response information system."



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2023 Legislative Request

The Oregon Coalition of Local Health Officials requests your support of a **\$150 million investment for the 2023-25 biennium** to support Local Public Health Authorities, the OHA Public Health Division, Tribal Health Authorities, and Community Based Organizations in implementing the Public Health Modernization Framework. This investment will build critical capacity across Oregon to address health disparities and improve the public's health.

Background:

Public Health Modernization means everyone in Oregon can expect basic public protections that are critical to their health and the health of future generations. The first steps toward public health modernization began in 2013, and progress towards these goals continues today.

Task Force on the Future of Public Health is created to assess Oregon's public health system

Initial assessments find that **an investment of \$210 million each biennium is needed** to fully implement the PHM framework

The Oregon Legislature invests \$15 million into PHM

THE TIME IS NOW. CLHO is requesting support of OHA ARB POP #406 to fund PHM at \$150 million.



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