Health and Human Services Department FY 26 Proposed Budget Overview

Budget Hearing

August 19, 2025

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Key Services

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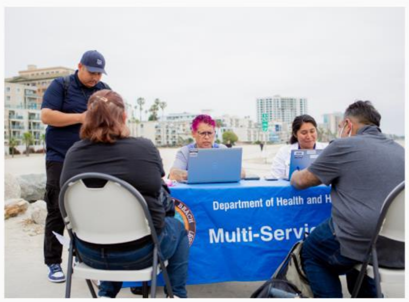


Key Services

Our Focus on Prevention **Over the Life Course**

Early Parent & Child:
Building Strong Families

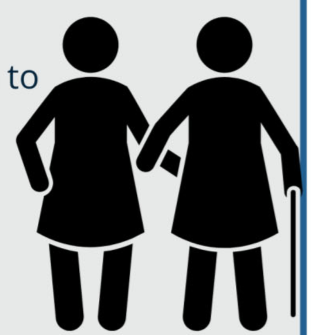
- Early Childhood Education (ECE)
- Nurse Family Partnership
- Black Infant Health
- Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
- Lead Abatement
- Immunization

Middle & High School:
Preparing for Successful Future

- Youth Mentoring
- Youth Advisory Council
- Healthy Activities and Nutrition
- Cannabis/ Opioid Prevention
- Youth Engagement & Empowerment

Older Adults:
Remaining Home & Active

- Senior Links
- Wellness Checks
- Connection to Resources



Accomplishments

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EARLY CHILDHOOD

121 Parents, caregivers, and ECE professionals attended **Help Me Grow** workshops on child development topics including vision, speech, and language

Over **500 transitional kindergarten** and kindergarten students received oral health education and dental screenings

23 high-risk, first-time pregnant mothers enrolled in the **Nurse Family Partnership** for culturally affirming prenatal and postpartum care

CRISIS RESPONSE

35%

Increase in **Community Crisis Response Team** Utilization. **ADA-compliant lift installed** on the Community Crisis Response vehicle to improve accessibility

MODERNIZING ACCESS AND INSIGHT

Racial and Health Equity Data Hub launched to display disparities across demographics and inform equity efforts

Online applications launched for birth and death certificate requests.

Department-based **clinic vaccine data dashboard released**, tracking vaccination by demographics and geography

Youth Development Data Dashboard introduced to monitor progress on youth-focused initiatives and strategic plans

Communicable Disease Outbreak Response System implemented to streamline outbreak reporting from schools and facilities

YOUTH VOTE

$550,000

to **11 organizations** selected by youth as part of the the third year of **Youth Power Participatory Budgeting.**
1,976 youth ages 12 to 26 voted on which projects to fund this summer, more than tripling last year's voter participation.

RESOURCE NAVIGATION

1,200+

people assisted with health insurance enrollment

363

older adults supported through the Senior Links Program with referrals and case management

Accomplishments

Emergency Response

TUBERCULOSIS

TB Outbreak Response continued through January 2025

352
individual contacts

169
contacts evaluated

32
Cases of Latent TB identified

20
individuals completing treatment

INCLEMENT WEATHER SHELTER

65 inclement weather shelter beds provided, serving **465** unique individuals during **three** activation periods of the Inclement Weather Shelter program during the **Southern California wildfires**, extreme temperatures, and heavy rain.

PLANNING

H5N1 **tabletop exercise** conducted to identify outbreak response gaps and enhance collaboration

MEASLES OUTBREAK

470+ individuals identified as potentially exposed.

35 staff reassigned to critical roles for containment and communication needs

Contact tracers interviewed **131** individuals, placing **22** unimmunized persons under quarantine

PARTNERS

Multiple outbreaks of **COVID-19**, **influenza**, and **RSV** managed in skilled nursing facilities during respiratory virus season

Accomplishments

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PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

133 students and families participated in **Walk to School Week** events promoting active transportation

ACCESS

$2.1 Million

Investment from Managed Care Plans in Southern California to support **Community Health Assessment** and **Community Health Improvement Plan**

SIDEWALK TO SUCCESS

124 vendors applied, **12 approved for carts**, and **12 received financial support** through **Sidewalk to Success**, a program easing compliance costs for sidewalk vendors

REENTRY SERVICES

$8 Million

state grant awarded to enhance **reentry services** and support multi-year programs with community partners

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Housing Authority provided housing assistance to more than **7,500 families.**

Contracted 185 new Project-Based Vouchers to expand affordable housing opportunities citywide.

INTERIM HOUSING

Completion of Capital Improvements to **2 Project Homekey Sites** to expand interim housing an additional **177** beds

HOUSING INTERVENTIONS

$11 Million

State Funding Awarded for **Riverbed Homelessness Response.** Recognized for the third time for successful outreach and housing interventions

HOUSING NAVIGATION

$280,000

Built for Zero Grant secured to establish **housing navigation services** within the Homeless Services Bureau

Accomplishments

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PROJECT STREET VET

Served **150+ animals** in collaboration wtih volunteer veterinarians at the Multi-Service Center to provide clients with **pet clinic services.**

In collaboration with **Long Beach Animal Care Services** and American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Homeless Services expanded support to pets by adding spay/neuter services, vaccination support, and fee waivers for pet licensing. Across two events, **40 pets were spayed or neutered** and provided wellness screenings, **51 pets were vaccinated.**

GUN SAFETY

Distributed **200** free gun safes citywide to promote safe firearm storage and protect children from gun-related accidents

HARM REDUCTION

Homeless Services Bureau completed the first-year annual report of the **Harm Reduction Framework program.**

Assisted **93 individuals in securing housing** and conducted **507 therapy and substance use sessions** through mobile and interim housing services

Released the inaugural **Opioid Overdose Report**, analyzing 332 opioid-related deaths from 2018–2022, 1,250 Emergency Medical Services overdose responses, and a 1,640% rise in fentanyl-related deaths

PEDESTRIAN & BIKE SAFETY

$966,500

Awarded **three** grants from the **California Office of Traffic Safety** to fund the **GreenlightLB** and **Walk and Roll Long Beach** programs, addressing drug-impaired driving, pedestrian and bike safety, distracted driving, and community education.

SAFE PASSAGE

Responded to **155 incidents** and interacted with **20,527 individuals**.

$308,000

to fund providers through the school year

Accomplishments

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Homeless Services

MEASURE H PROGRAM	ACTIVITY	# SERVED
Homeless Prevention	*Maintain & Retain Housing*	44
Coordinated Outreach	*Persons Outreached*	2,389
Housing Navigation	*Persons Enrolled in Coordinated Entry & Provided Navigation*	452
Interim Housing	*Motel Vouchers*	161
Interim Housing	*Beds at ABC Shelter*	62
Rapid Re-Housing/Time Limited Subsides	*Obtain and Remain in Housing*	81
Multi-Service Center	*Enrollments*	4,134

Phase 1 integration of Long Beach Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) with LA County completed to improve data sharing and service coordination

Renovated Kids' Corner reopened at the MSC, offering a developmentally supportive space with interactive learning stations for children

Expansion of Interim Housing & Shelter Services

OPERATIONAL FY25

Project Homekey #1

Project Homekey #2

Youth Navigation Center

EXISTING OPERATIONAL SITES

702 Anaheim

Multi-Service Center (MSC)

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COMMUNITY CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM *(CCR)*

One-Time Funding Request for FY26:

$374K

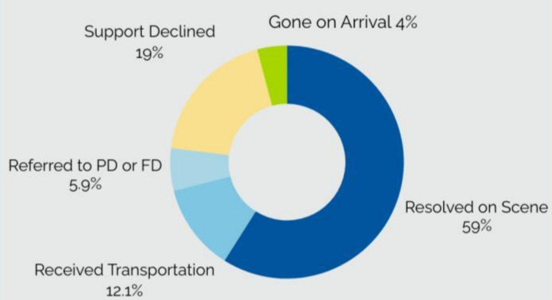
Preventing the elimination of the Community Crisis Response Team programming through FY 26.

CITYWIDE CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES

900+ people servced since program inception

- De-escalation
- Resource Navigation
- Suicide assessment & intervention

Call Outcomes



COMPLAINT RESPONSE TEAM *(CRT)*

One-Time Funding Request for FY26:

$272K

Multi-Departmental coordinated effort to enforce regulations against unpermitted sidewalk food vendors, help educate vendors, discard food, and confiscate unpermitted food vending equipment.

SIDEWALK VENDING OPERATIONS

170 responses to complaints about unpermitted food vendors this year, resulting in **investigations of 32 sidewalk food vending operations**, and subsequent food and equipment **confiscations** from **26** non-compliant operators

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VIOLENCE PREVENTION

One-time funding to support public health staffing capacity to manage **Citywide Violence Healing Response** for victims of gun violence

$134,224

MEASURE US

One-time funding for **Youth Participatory Budgeting** to fund community-based organizations to implement youth-led, youth-serving programs.

$325K

Reduction of funding of a Public Health Professional III **(Aging Coordinator)** position to incrementally reduce expenditures and **downgrade position to 0.5 FTE part-time,** reflecting the reduction in Measure US tax revenues.

($91K)

Support of the annual **Youth Summit**

$30K

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

$175,000

to bring the total funding for **Youth Power Participatory Budgeting** to $500,000

offset by a reduction in the Grow Long Beach Loans allocations as a part of the Successor Agency Sale Proceeds

$175,000

One-time in the **General Fund Group** to continue the **Office of Youth Development, Youth Development Coordinator** position.

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$1,893

Upgrade a Medical Assistant II position to a Licensed Vocational Nurse position, offset by a reduction of Administrative Intern Non-Career position.

$128,286

One-time funding for the purchase of **three** fleet vehicles for staff to **conduct field inspections**, offset by permit fees in the Health Fund Group.

$26,000

Increase budget to cover indirect costs billed to Housing Authority Programs that are not reimbursable by grants.

($4,868)

Add two Health Educator II positions and a Community Program Specialist IV position to the TB Response Program, offset by the reduction of part-time (4.25 FTE) Administrative Intern Non-Career positions.

$14,760

Increase budget for ongoing operations and maintenance of a new fleet vehicle for the General Maintenance Supervisor position.

($228,126)

Reduce budget for dedicated support for the Housing Authority Bureau from the Technology and Innovation Department.

Challenges

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Impacts from State & Federal Budgets

FY 25 IMPACTS
Since January 2025

$3.9 million in grant cancellations, reductions, or renewal terminations across the following public health sectors:

- **STI/HIV prevention**
- **Immunization & Vaccines**
- **Public Health Emergency Preparedness**
- **Nutrition & Physical Activity**
- **Equity**

UPCOMING IMPACTS
of Federal Legislation

IMPENDING FUNDING IMPACTS FROM **ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL ACT** IMPACTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (**LAC DPH**), CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (**CDPH**) & CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL & PREVENTION (**CDC**)

- One Big Beautiful Bill Act eliminated funding for **SNAP-Ed** effective 9/30/25
- Additional Funding Loss
  - LAC DPH pass-through funds for **HIV/STI prevention**
  - LAC DPH and CDPH pass-through funds for vaccines for children and **immunizations** for low-income populations
  - CDC reduction of **Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grants**
  - CLB's Senate earmark to sustain its **Community Crisis Response Program**
  - CDC health **equity** grant

Challenges

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Impacts from **State & Federal Budgets**

POTENTIAL FUTURE IMPACTS
to pass through funding

DHHS Program Operations	Public Health Funding Uncertainties	Housing Funding Uncertainties
State and Federal changes to Medi-Cal and SNAP	Potential State Budget changes to account for federal financial losses	FY2026 Transportation–HUD (THUD) appropriations
New eligibility rules and work requirements resulting in a pivot in outreach strategies.	CDPH Future of Public Health Grant	Risk to Rental Assistance

Challenges

FY 25 Health Fund Deficit Drivers

$8 - $11 Million

Indirect Cost
Methodology change and increasing central and departmental overhead

Labor Cost
Equity increases of 5-25%

Technology MOU Cost
Increases not recoverable on grants due to methodology

Declining Realignment Revenue
Overpayments and negative economic outlook

Citywide Emergencies
Charging to Health Fund

Opportunities & Next Steps

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Addressing the Deficit

STAFF SUPPORT

Staff Townhalls

Encouraging Conversation

Promoting staff well-being

HEALTH FUND STUDY

Partnerships

Alignment with Mandates

Explore revenue opportunities

COUNTY MEASURE A

Homelessness Prevention
$5,220,938

Crisis Response
$2,508,752

Pathways Out of Homelessness
$7,942,475

NEXT STEPS

Maximize indirect and technology costs on grants

Reinforcing Best Practices

Mid-Year Updates & Reassessment

Thank You!

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