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# **Public Health Modernization 2021-23 Legislative investment update**

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## Modernized framework for governmental public health services



# 2021-23 Public Health Modernization Funding Priorities

Public health interventions that are equitable, community-driven,  
and address historical and contemporary injustices

Communicable  
disease and  
environmental health  
threats planning and  
response

Communicable  
disease prevention

Impacts of climate  
related emergencies  
and threats on health

# 2021-23 LAB investment amount

## \$60,655,246

Local public health authorities	\$33,484,623
Tribes	\$4,367,000
Community-based organizations	\$10,000,000
Oregon Health Authority	\$12,803,623
	\$60,655,246

# Funding to local public health authorities

## \$33,484,623

- Allocations
  - Majority of funds (\$29,484,623) to individual LPHAs.
  - Some funds (\$4,000,000) will continue and expand regional service delivery models. (Bridge funding through 12/31/2021)
  - American Rescue Plan Act COVID-19 Public Health Workforce one-time funds (\$10,267,1670 aligned with public health modernization.
- Funds allocated through the public health modernization LPHA funding formula, as required in ORS 431.380.
- LPHAs will receive funds by 10/1/21.

# Funding to Tribal health authorities and the Urban Indian Health Program (UIHP)

## \$4,367,000

- Scope of work in development with Tribal Health Directors and Tribal Leaders, with support from the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board.
- Focus areas may include
  - Implementation of action plans based on assessments conducted in 2020-21.
  - Investments in communicable disease, environmental health infrastructure, and emergency response planning.
- Tribes and UIHP are finalizing funding amounts and scope of work with bridge funding through 12/31/2021

# Funding to community-based organizations:

## \$10,000,000

- Expands work with culturally-specific organizations to include other community health priorities.
- CBO Funding Advisory Committee providing recommendations to OHA on use and distribution of funds.
- Funds across the Public Health Division (e.g., Ballot Measure 108) funds will be included together for a collaborative Request for Grant Applications.

# Funding to Oregon Health Authority

## \$12,803,623

- Community engagement staff to support CBOs
- Environmental health epidemiologist and other EPH positions with expertise specifically identified through the JLT+ workgroup process
- Communicable disease testing – would like to work with LPHAs to increase billing capture over time and support systems
- Workforce development
  - Includes Health Resources in Action for equity TA for LPHAs and OHA
  - Opportunity to revisit PH modernization learning collaborative work started before COVID if system has capacity
- Translations and interpretation – supports language access for CD and EH responses