

## COVID-19 Response Emergency Board Request, August 2022

**Objective:** Continue community commitments to eliminate COVID-19 health inequities and ensure adequate hospital capacity through statewide access to vaccination, testing and therapeutics.

**Background:** Oregon's public health system will need additional financial resources to support the ongoing COVID-19 response across the state. This work will focus on serving communities through culturally-specific, locally-designed solutions to eliminate COVID-19 health inequities.

- The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) requests **\$25 million** in General Funds to support the ongoing COVID-19 response.
- **FEMA match has dropped to 90%** as of July 1, 2022 and other costs are ineligible for FEMA or through CDC grants.
- The September 2022 Emergency Board request represents less than **2% of OHA's overall COVID-19 response** commitment.

### COVID-19 response commitments between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023:

Area of work	Activities	Measurable outcomes	GF Request
Vaccine and booster administration	Field operations tailored to areas of the state with greatest need; pediatric vaccine administration; fall 2022 bivalent vaccine administration; workforce augmentation for local public health; vaccine administration for individuals who are homebound or houseless	· 1.62 million vaccine doses administered · 24 missions supporting FQHCs and other providers · 36 staff to supplement FQHC staffing	\$7,000,000
Testing*	Field operations tailored to outbreaks and areas of the state with greatest need; outbreak testing; laboratory infrastructure; uninsured community member testing	· 500 tests conducted · Rapid test kit distribution	\$1,400,000

Therapeutics	FQHC therapeutics program; Oregon Resource Allocation Advisory Committee recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>·6 FQHCs engaged in therapeutics pilot project</li> <li>·1,000 therapeutics administered</li> </ul>	\$300,000
Public health partner infrastructure	Isolation and quarantine wraparound services; local vaccine events; migrant and seasonal farmworker-specific supports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>·Over 1,000 community vaccine events, 86% of which will serve communities of color</li> <li>·5,134 people will receive wraparound supports</li> <li>·68,953 food boxes will be delivered to people in isolation or quarantine</li> <li>·500,000 items of PPE distributed to migrant and seasonal farmworkers with 20,474 tests and 28,000 vaccines administered</li> </ul>	\$2,500,000
Public health infrastructure	Staffing; financial and contract administration; translations and interpretation; warehouse need;, technology; communications; postage; equipment; workforce development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>·48 workforce development trainings</li> <li>·54 newsletters; 36 English language educational videos; 24 Spanish language educational videos; 120 video spots in 5 Indigenous languages; 156 live Spanish language radio interviews and 156 blog posts; 12 media availability livestreams</li> </ul>	\$6,800,000
Donations and volunteer time	Donated PPE and SERV-OR volunteer hours		(\$3,000,000)

Non-FEMA eligible expenses**	Security; cleaning costs; contact tracing; legal services; data system maintenance and operations		\$10,000,000
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\*Most of OHA's testing services are covered by CDC federal grants. This only represents a portion of testing infrastructure that would be paid by FEMA and require General Fund match.

\*\*Non-FEMA eligible expenses include items that have been submitted and denied in previous FEMA submissions.

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