

Governor's Budget Highlights Fiscal Year 2023-24

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## CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The mission of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), a nationally accredited public health department, is to advance the health and well-being of California's diverse people and communities, primarily through population-based programs, strategies, and initiatives.

CDPH's core activities are:

- Protecting the public from communicable diseases;
- Protecting the public from unhealthy and unsafe environments;
- Reducing the risk of disease, disability, and premature death; and reducing health disparities;
- Preparing for, and responding to, public healthemergencies;
- Producing and disseminating data to evaluate population health status, infom people, institutions and communities; and to guide public health strategies, programs, and actions;
- Promoting healthy lifestyles for individuals and families in their communities and workplaces; and
- Providing access to quality, population-based health services.

CDPH is comprised of six Centers: the Center for Healthy Communities, the Center for Infectious Diseases, the Center for Family Health, the Center for Environmental Health, the Center for Health Care Quality, and the Center for Health Statistics and Informatics.

In addition, within CDPH are: the Director's Office, the Emergency Preparedness Office, the Office of Communications, the Office of Compliance, the Office of Legal Services, the Office of Strategic Development and External Relations, the Office of Health Equity, the Office of Professional Development and Engagement, the Office of State Public Health Laboratory Director, the Office of Legislative and Governmental Affairs, the California Conference of Local Health Officers, the Information Technology Services Division, and the Administration and Human Resources Divisions.

# GENERAL BUDGET OVERVIEW

CDPH's budget supports activities and services that reinforce the state's commitment to the health and well-being of all Californians. For 2023-24, the Governor's Budget provides \$5.5 billion for the support of CDPH's programs and services, a decrease of 20.21 percent from the 2022-23 Enacted Budget.

Of the total Governor's Budget proposal, \$2 billion is for State Operations and \$3.5 billion is for Local Assistance. The budget affirms CDPH's commitment to address the public health needs of Californians.

#### <u>Total Departmental Budget at</u> <u>2023-24 Governor's Budget</u>

Dollars in thousands\*

The charts below and the narrative that follows describe the specific budget adjustments.

Fund Source	2022-23 Enacted Budget	2022-23 Revised Budget	2023-24 Governor's Budget	% Change from 2022-23 Enacted Budget
General Fund	\$1,252,489	\$1,303,874	\$1,008,922	-19.45%
Federal Funds	\$1,668,994	\$1,880,931	\$2,159,343	29.38%
Special Funds & Reimbursements	\$3,947,608	\$3,664,269	\$2,312,862	-41.41%
Total Funds	\$6,869,091	\$6,849,074	\$5,481,127	-20.21%

# State Operations

Dollars in thousands\*

State Operations by Program

State Operations by Program							
<b>Program Title</b>	Program	2022-23 Enacted Budget	2022-23 Revised Budget	2023-24 Governor's Budget	% Change from 2022-23 Enacted Budget		
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	4040	\$2,072,574	\$1,755,908	\$188,752	-90.89%		
Public and Environmental Health	4045	\$1,502,065	\$1,542,945	\$1,375,271	-8.44%		
Licensing and Certification	4050	\$461,623	\$472,437	\$459,153	-0.54%		
Administration	9900100	\$106,095	\$109,784	\$105,892	-0.19%		
Distributed Administration	9900200	(\$106,095)	(\$109,784)	(\$105,892)	-0.19%		
Total State Operations		\$4,036,262	\$3,771,290	\$2,023,176	-49.88%		

\* Numbers may not add or match to other statements due to rounding of budget detail.

# State Operations by Fund Source

State Operations by Fund Source						
Fund Source	2022-23 Enacted Budget2022-23 Revised Budget2023-24 Governor's Budget		% Change from 2022-23 Enacted Budget			
General Fund	\$796,946	\$807,494	\$638,029	-19.94%		
Federal Fund	\$403,075	\$411,854	\$480,610	19.24%		
Special Funds & Reimbursements	\$2,836,241	\$2,551,942	\$904,537	-68.11%		
Total State Operations	\$4,036,262	\$3,771,290	\$2,023,176	-49.88%		

# Local Assistance

Dollars in thousands\*

## Local Assistance by Program

Local Assistance by Program							
Program Title	Program	2022-23 Enacted Budget	2022-23 Revised Budget	2023-24 Governor's Budget	% Change from 2022- 23 Enacted Budget		
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	4040	\$166,821	\$167,346	\$166,821	0.00%		
Public and Environmental Health	4045	\$2,659,388	\$2,903,818	\$3,285,510	23.54%		
Licensing and Certification	4050	\$6,620	\$6,620	\$5,620	-15.11%		
Total Local Assistance		\$2,832,829	\$3,077,784	\$3,457,951	22.07%		

#### Local Assistance by Fund Source

Local Assistance by Fund Source						
Fund Source	2022-23 Enacted Budget	2022-23 Revised Budget	2023-24 Governor's Budget	% Change from 2022-23 Enacted Budget		
General Fund	\$455,543	\$496,380	\$370,893	-18.58%		
Federal Fund	\$1,265,919	\$1,469,077	\$1,678,733	32.61%		
Special Funds & Reimbursements	\$1,111,367	\$1,112,327	\$1,408,325	26.72%		
Total Local Assistance	\$2,832,829	\$3,077,784	\$3,457,951	22.07%		

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# <u>Capital Outlay</u>

Dollars in thousands\*

# Capital Outlay by Program

Capital Outlay by Program						
Program Title	Program	2022-23 Enacted Budget	2022-23 Revised Budget	2023-24 Governor's Budget	% Change from 2022-23 Enacted Budget	
Capital Outlay	4060	\$0	\$341	\$0	N/A	
Total Capital Outlay		\$0	\$341	\$0	N/A	

#### Capital Outlay by Fund Source

Capital Outlay by Fund Source						
Fund Source	2022-23 Enacted Budget	2022-23 Revised Budget	2023-24 Governor's Budget	% Change from 2022-23 Enacted Budget		
General Fund	\$0	\$341	\$0	N/A		
Total General Fund	\$0	\$341	\$0	N/A		

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## **PROGRAMMATIC ADJUSTMENTS**

<u>The specific adjustments listed below reflect the major budgetary changes since the passage</u> <u>of the 2022 Budget Act.</u> The major changes include Budget Change Proposals and November Estimates.

References to "GF" are to the General Fund; "OF" refers to Other Funds, including Special Funds, Federal Funds, and Reimbursements; and "TF" represents Total Funds. All values are listed in whole dollars.

## I. <u>Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program</u>

The Emergency Preparedness program is responsible for overall statewide planning and preparedness for public health disasters and emergencies, distributing and monitoring funding for disaster planning at the local level, operating the Medical Health Coordination Center, developing and maintaining a standard public health and medical emergency management system for local and state entities, and planning for the strategic national stockpile. This program is also responsible for recovery and resiliency initiatives within communities following a disaster and providing technical support to local preparedness efforts. Major budget adjustments include:

#### 2022-23 Budget Adjustments COVID-19 Response

-\$614,000,000 TF -\$614,000,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$614 million in the California Emergency Relief Fund (Fund 3398). The decrease is driven in part by reduced response activities since the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### 2023-24 Budget Adjustments COVID-19 Response

\$101,300,000 TF \$101,300,000 GF

The Governor's Budget includes a one-time increase of \$101.3 million in General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to provide COVID-19 response activities, including: testing, vaccinations, and operations support. Of the \$101.3 million, \$50 million has been included in emergency contingency funds.

## II. <u>Center for Healthy Communities</u>

The Healthy Communities program works to prevent and control chronic diseases such as cancer, cardiovascular diseases, asthma, and diabetes; to reduce the prevalence of obesity; to reduce tobacco use; to improve oral health through prevention, education, and community efforts; to provide training programs for the public health workforce; to prevent and control injuries, violence, deaths, and diseases related to behavioral, environmental, and occupational factors; to promote and support safe and healthy environments in communities and workplaces; and to prevent substance and gambling addiction and treat gambling disorder. This program includes the California Tobacco Control Branch, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch, Chronic Disease Surveillance and Research Branch, Environmental Health Laboratory Branch, Environmental Health Investigations Branch, Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Branch, Occupational Health Branch, Injury and Violence Prevention Branch, Substance and Addiction Prevention Branch, and the Office of Oral Health. Major budget adjustments include:

#### 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

#### Restroom Access: Medical Conditions (AB 1632)

9 Positions \$1,426,000 TF \$1,426,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of nine positions and \$1.4 million in General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to implement and provide oversight for the Restroom Access Act as mandated by Assembly Bill (AB) 1632 (Chapter 893, Statutes of 2022).

# Fentanyl Program Grants (AB 2365) and Innovative Approaches to Make Fentanyl Strips and Naloxone More Widely Available

\$5,000,000 TF \$5,000,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$5 million in the Opioid Settlements Fund (Fund 3397), including \$578,000 in State Operations and \$4.2 million in Local Assistance to support six one-time competitive grants to reduce fentanyl overdoses and use per the requirements of Assembly Bill (AB) 2365 (Chapter 783, Statutes of 2022). Funding shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2027.

## Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Program (SB 1076)

1 Position \$615,000 TF \$615,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of one position and \$615,000 in General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to implement the residential lead-based paint Renovation, Repair and Painting Program as mandated by Senate Bill (SB) 1076 (Chapter 507, Statutes of 2022).

## Childhood Drowning Data Collection Pilot Program (SB 855)

\$260,000 TF \$260,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$260,000 in General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to establish and administer a three-year Childhood Drowning Data Collection Pilot Program per Senate Bill (SB) 855 (Chapter 817, Statutes of 2022).

#### Proposition 99 Health Education Account

\$505,000 TF \$505,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$505,000 in Proposition 99 Health Education Account (Fund 0231), including a decrease of \$870,000 in State Operations and an increase of \$1,375,000 in Local Assistance as a result of the updated Proposition 99 revenue projections. The increase includes \$141,000 in State Administration, \$1,375,000 in Competitive Grants (Local Assistance), and \$826,000 in Evaluation, and decreases of \$1,493,000 in Media Campaign and \$344,000 in Competitive Grants (State Operations). The revenues support a comprehensive statewide tobacco control program and reducing illness and premature death attributable to the use of tobacco products. The funds are provided to state and local government agencies, tribes, universities, colleges, community-based organizations, and other qualified agencies for the implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of evidence-based health promotion and health communication activities.

#### Proposition 99 Research Account

\$1,491,000 TF \$1,491,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$1,491,000 in Proposition 99 Research Account (Fund 0234) State Operations as a result of updated Proposition 99 revenue projections. The increase includes \$179,000 in State Administration and \$1,312,000 in External Contracts. The revenues are used for tobacco-related disease research.

#### Proposition 99 Unallocated Account

-\$60,000 TF -\$60,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$60,000 in Proposition 99 Unallocated Account (Fund 0236) State Operations as a result of updated Proposition 99 revenue projections. The decrease includes \$43,000 in State Administration and \$17,000 for the California Health Interview Survey. The revenues are used to support tobacco education, tobacco prevention efforts, tobacco-related programs, tobacco-related healthcare services, environmental protection, and recreational resources.

\$4,842,000 TF \$4,842,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$4,842,000 in State Dental Program Account (Fund 3307), including a decrease of \$1,547,000 in State Operations and an increase of \$6,389,000 million in Local Assistance as a result of updated Proposition 56 revenue projections. The funds are used for the state dental program for the purpose and goal of educating about, preventing, and treating dental disease, including dental diseases caused by use of cigarettes and other tobacco products.

#### Proposition 56 Tobacco Prevention and Control Programs Account

-\$2,250,000 TF -\$2,250,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$2,250,000 in Tobacco Prevention and Control Programs Account (Fund 3322), including an increase of \$5,756,000 in State Operations and a decrease of \$8,006,000 in Local Assistance as a result of updated Proposition 56 revenue projections. The decrease includes a decrease of \$406,000 in Local Campaign, \$4,744,600 in Competitive Grants (Local Assistance), and \$3,261,400 in Local Lead Agencies, and an increase of \$2,644,000 in State Administration, \$1,174,000 in Evaluation, and \$2,344,000 in Competitive Grants (State Operations). The revenues are used for a comprehensive statewide tobacco control program and reducing illness and premature death attributable to the use of tobacco products. The funds are provided to state and local government agencies, tribes, universities, colleges, community-based organizations, and other qualified agencies for the implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of evidence-based health promotion and health communication activities.

## III. <u>Center for Infectious Diseases</u>

The Infectious Diseases program works to prevent and control infectious diseases such as Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS), viral hepatitis, influenza and other vaccine preventable illnesses, tuberculosis, emerging infections, vector-borne disease, sexually transmitted diseases (STD), infant botulism, and foodborne illnesses. This program includes the Division of Communicable Disease Control, Office of AIDS, which oversees the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Office of Binational Border Health, and Office of Refugee Health. Major budget adjustments include:

## 2022-23 Budget Adjustments

#### ADAP Estimate

-\$14,533,000 TF -\$14,533,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$14.5 million in Local Assistance. This includes an increase of \$8.1 million in the Federal Trust Fund and a decrease of \$22.7 million in Local Assistance in the ADAP Rebate Fund. The decrease is primarily due to lower medication expenditures and premiums for the insured client groups.

# Public Health Workforce Investments Reversion

-\$5,000,000 TF -\$5,000,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$5.0 million in General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations that supports Public Health Workforce Investments. The Budget reduces funding for various public health workforce training and development programs by \$49.8 million General Fund over four years to help address the budgetary problem.

#### 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

#### ADAP Estimate

-\$14,926,000 TF -\$14,926,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$14.9 million in Local Assistance. This includes an increase of \$2.6 million in the Federal Trust Fund and a decrease of \$17.5 million in the ADAP Rebate Fund. The decrease is primarily due to Medi-Cal Expansions, and the same factors listed above.

#### BabyBIG Infant Botulism Treatment and Prevention Program

\$7,400,000 TF \$7,400,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$7.4 million in Infant Botulism Treatment and Prevention Fund (Fund 0272) to meet manufacturing costs associated with the production of Lot 8 of its licensed orphan drug BabyBIG.

## California Immunization Registry (AB 1797)

3 Positions \$915,000 TF \$915,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of three positions and \$915,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to manage the increased workload related to the requirements of Assembly Bill (AB)1797 (Chapter 582, Statues of 2022).

#### Maintenance and Operations of Infectious Diseases Data Systems for SMARTER Plan Implementation

\$74,400,000 TF \$74,400,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects a one-time increase of \$74.4 million in General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to support information technology (IT) portions of the SMARTER Plan and maintain technology systems established during the pandemic.

# Fentanyl Program Grants (AB 2365) and Innovative Approaches to Make Fentanyl Strips and Naloxone More Widely Available

\$2,500,000 TF \$2,500,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$382,000 Opioid Settlements Fund (Fund 3397) State Operations and \$2.1 million Opioid Settlements Fund (Fund 3397) Local Assistance to support innovative approaches to make fentanyl test strips and naloxone more widely available. Funding shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2027.

## COVID-19 Website Transition and Information Technology Resources

\$900,000 TF \$900,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$900,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to support security and translation services to optimize maintenance of the COVID-19 website.

## Public Health Workforce Investments Reversion

-\$20,800,000 TF -\$20,800,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$19.9 million in State Operations and \$928,000 in Local Assistance General Fund (Fund 0001) that supports Public Health Workforce Investments. The Budget reduces funding for various public health workforce training and development programs by \$49.8 million General Fund over four years to help address the budgetary problem.

## IV. Center for Family Health

The Family Health program works to improve the health and well-being of pregnant people, children and youth as well as reduce disparities in perinatal health outcomes. The key programs include the Genetic Disease Screening Program (GDSP); the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH); and the Special Supplemental Nutritional Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). Major budget adjustments include:

## 2022-23 Budget Adjustments

## WIC Program Estimate

\$218,828,000 TF \$218,828,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$218.8 million in Local Assistance. This includes an increase of \$195 million in the Federal Trust Fund and an increase of \$23.8 million in the WIC Manufacturer Rebate Fund. Higher expenditure levels are due to the extension of the fruits and vegetables benefit increase for the full year, an increase in participation projections compared to the 2022 Budget Act, and an increase in food inflation. Rebate expenditure increases are attributed to a higher number of infants

projected to be served in current year.

#### GDSP Estimate

-\$177,000 TF -\$177,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects a \$177,000 decrease in Genetic Disease Testing Fund in Local Assistance attributed to a slight decrease in the Department of Finance Demographic Research Unit's projection of live births compared to the 2022 Budget Act.

#### 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

#### WIC Program Estimate

\$241,695,000 TF \$241,695,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$241.7 million in Local Assistance. This includes an increase of \$209.8 million in the Federal Trust Fund and an increase of \$31.9 million in the WIC Manufacturer Rebate Fund. The increase in food expenditures is driven by the extension of the fruits and vegetables benefit increase, an increase in current and budget year participation projections compared to the 2022 Budget Act, and a food inflation rate of 1.88 percent. The increase in rebate expenditures is due to a higher number of infants projected to be served.

#### GDSP Estimate

\$7,903,000 TF \$7,903,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$7.9 million in Genetic Disease Testing Fund. The increase of \$1.0 million in State Operations can be attributed to baseline adjustments and \$6.9 million in Local Assistance can be attributed to a full fiscal year of cfDNA screening (cfDNA screening started September 19, 2022), inflationary contract rate increases, and slight increases in caseload projections compared to the 2022 Budget Act.

#### California Newborn Screening Program Expansion

4 positions \$3,454,000 TF \$3,454,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of four positions and \$2.2 million in Local Assistance and \$1.25 million in State Operations in the Genetic Disease Testing Fund (Fund 0203) to comply with Health and Safety Code 125001(d) and expand newborn screening to include mucopolysaccharidosis type II (MPS II) and guanidinoacetate methyltransferase (GAMT).

## V. <u>Center for Health Statistics and Informatics</u>

The Health Statistics and Informatics program works to improve the public's health by managing information systems and facilitating the collection, validation, analysis, and

dissemination of health statistics and demographic information on California's population. This program includes Vital Records, Vital Statistics, and Public Health Informatics. A major budget adjustment includes:

#### 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

#### California Integrated Vital Records System Upgrades for Death Certificate Content (AB 2436)

\$563,000 TF \$563,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects a one-time increase of \$563,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to implement changes to the death certificate template and Cal-IVRS user interface to fulfill the requirements set forth in Assembly Bill (AB) 2436 (Chapter 966, Statues of 2022).

## VI. <u>Center for Environmental Health</u>

The Environmental Health program works to protect and improve the health of all California residents by utilizing investigation, inspection, technical assistance, regulatory and/or emergency response activities to improve the safety of food, drugs, medical devices; conduct underage tobacco enforcement; oversee the use of radiation and radioactive materials; regulate medical waste; and conduct other environmental management programs. The program includes the Division of Food and Drug Safety and the Division of Radiation Safety and Environmental Management. Major budget adjustments include:

#### 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

#### Limited Podiatric Radiography Permit (AB 1704)

\$425,000 TF \$425,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects a one-time increase of \$425,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill (AB) 1704 (Chapter 580, Statutes of 2022), which requires CDPH to implement a new limited podiatric radiography permit.

#### Recreational Water Use: Regulation of Wave Basins (AB 2298)

1 Position \$193,000 TF \$193,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of one position and \$193,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill (AB) 2298 (Chapter 461, Statutes of 2022), which requires CDPH to adopt regulations on the sanitation and safety of wave basins.

# Reduction of Human Remains and the Disposition of Reduced Human Remains (AB 351)

1 Position \$357,000 TF \$357,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of one position and \$357,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill (AB) 351 (Chapter 399, Statutes of 2022), which requires CDPH to adopt rules and regulations prescribing the standards for human reduction chambers.

## Proposition 56 Tobacco Law Enforcement Account

-\$797,000 TF -\$797,000 OF The Governor's Budget reflects a decrease of \$797,000 in Tobacco Law Enforcement Account (Fund 3318) State Operations as a result of updated Proposition 56 revenue projections. This funding supports the enforcement of state and local laws related to the illegal sales of tobacco to minors.

#### VII. <u>Center for Health Care Quality</u>

The Health Facilities program regulates the quality of care in public and private health facilities, clinics, and agencies throughout the state; licenses nursing home administrators, and certifies nurse assistants, home health aides, and hemodialysis technicians; and oversees the prevention, surveillance, and reporting of healthcare-associated infections in California's health facilities. Major budget adjustments include:

#### 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

#### Facilitating Projects to Benefit Nursing Home Residents

\$5,000,000 TF \$5,000,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$5 million in the Federal Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account in Local Assistance to execute contracts to implement CMS-approved projects that benefit nursing home residents across California. Corresponding provisional language allows for encumbrance or expenditure through June 30, 2027.

## Gender Affirming Health Care (SB 107)

\$321,000 TF \$321,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$321,000 in the State Department of Public Health Licensing and Certification Program Fund (Fund 3098) in State Operations to provide resources to implement the provisions of Senate Bill (SB)107 (Chapter 810, Statutes of 2022), which expands the Confidentiality of Medical Information Act by adding additional protections for a child receiving gender-affirming health care.

## Skilled Nursing Facilities Change of Ownership and Change of Management Application Requirements (AB 1502)

\$286,000 TF \$286,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of \$286,000 in the State Department of Public Health Licensing and Certification Program Fund (Fund 3098) in State Operations to provide resources to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill (AB) 1502 (Chapter 578, Statutes of 2022), which affects Skilled Nursing Facilities licensing requirements in California.

## Hospice Facility Licensure and Oversight (AB 2673)

3 positions \$926,000 TF \$926,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of three positions and \$926,000 in the State Department of Public Health Licensing and Certification Program Fund (Fund 3098) in State Operations to implement the provisions of Assembly Bill (AB) 2673 (Chapter 797, Statutes of 2022), which affects Hospice Facilities Licensing Requirements in California.

## VIII. Laboratory Field Services Branch

The Laboratory Field Services program is the primary link between the health of California residents and accurate and reliable clinical laboratory testing, as well as safe and reliable blood, tissue, and biologics products. This program provides oversight for clinical and public health laboratory operations and clinical and public health laboratory personnel and is responsible for issuing licenses and certificates. This program also oversees the operations of blood and tissue banks and biologics production facilities. A major budget adjustment includes:

## 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

# Licensure of Clinical Laboratory Geneticists and Clinical Reproductive Biologists (SB 1267)

1 Position \$ 210,000 TF \$ 210,000 OF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of one position and \$210,000 in the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Fund (Fund 0098) to implement licensure of Clinical Laboratory Geneticists and Clinical Reproductive Biologists as required by Senate Bill (SB)1267 (Chapter 473, Statutes of 2022).

## IX. Office of Health Equity

The Office of Health Equity provides a key leadership role in advancing physical and mental health equity in California. This office works with communities and across sectors

to address the root causes of health inequities, including but not limited to climate change and racial injustice, and to embed health and equity considerations into the decision-making process. This office has played a critical role in centering equity and those disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, which will also help to firmly establish a health equity lens for future public health challenges. Major budget adjustments include:

## 2022-23 Budget Adjustments

## Public Health Regional Climate Planning Reversion

-\$25,000,000 TF -\$25,000,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reverts \$1.3 million General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations and \$23.7 million in General Fund (Fund 0001) Local Assistance for the Climate Change and Health Resilience Planning Grant Program. If there is sufficient General Fund in January 2024, this reduction will be restored.

## 2023-24 Budget Adjustments

#### Extreme Heat: Statewide Extreme Heat Ranking System (AB 2238)

2 Positions \$369,000 TF \$369,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects an increase of two positions and \$369,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations to implement Assembly Bill (AB) 2238 (Chapter 264, Statutes of 2022) to support creating a statewide extreme heat ranking system and developing a public communication plan for the extreme heat ranking system, statewide guidance for local and tribal governments in preparing and planning for extreme heat events, and recommendations on local heat adaptation, preparedness, and resilience measures.

## **Equity Centered Programs**

1 Position \$182,000 TF \$182,000 GF

The Governor's Budget reflects a shift of one position and \$182,000 General Fund (Fund 0001) State Operations from the California Health and Human Services Agency to support a retrospective analysis of the intersection of the COVID-19 pandemic, health disparities and equity to help the State better understand how health disparities fueled the pandemic and what can be done to mitigate such disparities during future crises.