

Local Public Health Funding 2024 and 2025

St. Joseph County Funding Information

Counties that opt-in will receive enhanced funding. Funding will be distributed on a sliding scale dependent upon how many counties opt-in. The minimum and maximum funding amounts available to your county are listed below.

OPT IN

2024: Minimum: **\$3,172,602**

Maximum: **\$4,230,136**

County Match: Average of county tax levy-related funds distributed to the LHD in the preceding three years (2021, 2022, 2023). Will be provided in the near future.

2025: Minimum: **\$6,345,204**

Maximum: **\$8,460,272**

County Match Minimum: **\$1,330,446**

County Match Maximum: **\$1,773,928**

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OPT OUT

Legacy amount from Local Health Maintenance fund/Trust: **\$166,329.01**

Funding Requirements

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|  Communicable disease prevention and control |  Vital statistics |  Tobacco prevention and cessation |
|  Student health (IC 16-18-2-79.5 (14)) |  Fatality review (child, suicide, overdose) |  Maternal and child health |
|  Testing/counseling for HIV, HCV, STI |  TB control and case management |  Emergency preparedness |
|  Referrals to clinical care (IC-18-2-79.5 (22)) |  Chronic disease prevention and reduction |  Childhood lead screening and case management |
| |  Trauma and injury prevention and education |  Child and adult immunizations |

At least 60% of funding must be spent on these core services

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|  Food protection |  Pest/vector control and abatement |  Public/semipublic pool inspection and testing |
|  Residential onsite sewage system permitting and inspections |  Orders for decontamination of property used to illegally manufacture controlled substance | |
|  Sanitary inspection and surveys of public buildings |  Sanitary operation of tattoo parlors and body piercing facilities |  Sanitary operation of facilities where eyelash extensions are performed |

No more than 40% of funding may be spent on these core services

Other Funding Information

- Counties may opt-in or opt-out in any fiscal year.
- Counties (and cities with a municipal health department) must set up new standardized non-reverting “local public health services fund” to receive these new state dollars. The 60/40 requirements only apply to state funds, not the county match. The county match/share may consist of funds attributable to taxes and miscellaneous revenue, but it may not include fees collected by the local health department, federal funds or private funds.
- Counties may issue grants to and enter into contracts with local partners to provide core public health services.
- Before a LHD may hire a new position or contract with a third party to provide core services, they must post the position or contract publicly for 30 days (applies to opt-in counties only).
- Capital expenses paid for with state funds are capped at 10% each year. These include:
 - Purchase, construction, or renovation of building or other structures
 - Land acquisition
 - Purchase of vehicles and other transportation equipment
- Any funding the LHD received under the prior funding mechanism stays with the county. We are working with the State Board of Accounts on guidance regarding the use of any carryover funds going forward.
- IDOH has contracted with CDC Foundation for a 5-person team to provide technical assistance to LHDs upon request through August 2023 Link for our CDC Foundation IDOH Assistance Request form:
<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/e788f5ae84964248bb7487f17b021f0f>

Technical assistance available:

- General budget support and how to use templates
 - Core public health service delivery
 - Brainstorming innovative solutions and sharing best practices
 - Connecting LHDs with community-based organizations
 - Support on KPI reporting and evaluating impact
 - Information and support for LHDs to complete community health assessments
- Office hours for IDOH subject matter experts for the core services have been scheduled. Click to select a date and time:
 - [Lead](#)
 - [Immunizations](#)
 - [Tobacco](#)
 - [Nutrition & Physical Activity](#)
 - [Food Protection](#)
 - [School Health](#)
 - [Environmental Public Health](#)
 - [Epidemiology](#)
 - [Vital Records](#) (May 16 webinar)
 - [Maternal Child Health & Fatality Review](#)

Next steps:

- Convene local partners (County Commissioners, LHB members, LHD, healthcare providers, not-for-profit entities, community-based organizations, etc.) to discuss the core services and plan.
- Establish a county health plan and budget (financial report) for the new state funds and only delivery of core public health services. Make sure the plan meets the 60/40 guidance and no more than 10% of the funds are budgeted for capital projects.
- Submit 2024 budget for new funds to County/City Council for normal budget approval.
- County Commissioners vote to opt-in to new funding by Sept. 1, 2023.
- Submit financial report (budget plan) to IDOH and State Budget Committee by Sept. 1, 2023.