Public Health Infrastructure Grant

Flexible funding to strengthen public health decision-making at the state and local levels

About the Grant

The **Public Health Infrastructure Grant (PHIG)** funds health departments in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, 8 territories and freely associated states, and 48 large localities.

Funding enables grant recipients to:

- **Invest in the people, services, and systems** that can address their communities' most pressing needs.
- **Improve fundamental skills and capabilities** so health departments are ready to respond to public health challenges.
- **Build a stronger foundation nationwide** to protect our public health, safety, and security.

By the Numbers

Funding Awarded
as of December 2025

$5.1 billion total

$4.7 billion

107 health departments

$3 billion for workforce

$811 million for data modernization (available to 64 eligible recipients)*

$875 million for foundational capabilities

$382 million

national partners

Training, technical assistance, evaluation, communication support

*Annual funding provided through CDC's Public Health Infrastructure and Capacity and Data Modernization appropriations

Unique Features

This groundbreaking funding model is flexible, responsive, efficient, and sustainable. Here's what makes it unique:

- The grant design was based on input from health agencies and partners, ensuring relevance.
- Recipients decide how to direct funds and tailor activities for their communities.
- PHIG funding accelerates impact by building on other CDC programs.
- Funding provides stability and a basis for ongoing investment.
- CDC evaluation and performance monitoring ensure accountability.

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Goals: Rebuilding, Resilience, Transformation

Public health needs sound infrastructure to work. PHIG invests in three foundational pillars:

Skilled workforce, including recruitment, retention, and training opportunities.

Foundational capabilities needed to deliver effective public health services, such as disease surveillance, community partnerships, and emergency preparedness.

Modern technologies to improve data collection and analysis for faster, more efficient public health decision-making.

Impact on Communities

PHIG's flexibility empowers state and local decision-making for public health infrastructure investments. Communities across the nation benefit from:

- **Enhanced rapid-response capacity.** Health department recipients are better equipped to detect and prevent outbreaks, manage chronic diseases, protect food and water supplies, and respond to environmental emergencies.
- **Local career opportunities.** As of November 2024, PHIG has placed 7,651 public health professionals in critical roles, creating a local pipeline for epidemiologists, lab scientists, community health workers, and data analysts.
- **Stronger state and local partnerships.** At least 40% of state funding flows to local health departments to increase community outreach, build coalitions, and plan and implement improvements.
- **More accountability.** Evaluation and performance monitoring ensure communities get a return on investment. For example, grant data show overall hiring timeliness has improved, demonstrating process efficiencies.

A Closer Look

Recipients use their funding for critical improvements, such as:

- **More efficient services.** Southern Nevada Health District overhauled its behavioral health scheduling process, cutting wait times from 3 months to 3 weeks and increasing patient capacity.
- **Upgraded data systems.** Arizona integrated more than 7,400 electronic case reports into its surveillance system, reducing provider burden and accelerating emergency response.
- **Stronger professional pipeline.** Riverside County, California, standardized hiring processes for community health workers, enabling rapid community deployment to aid more than 2,000 patients within a year.
- **Better strategic planning.** Nevada conducted a statewide needs assessment that led to a $15 million investment in local health, including data modernization for real-time decision-making.