

All Together Better 2025-27 Budget Presentation

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OUR MISSION IS to help everyone in San Mateo County live longer and better lives.



OUR MISSION IN ACTION

PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH

SERVING AS A ROBUST SAFETY NET



PREVENTING HEALTH PROBLEMS



MONITORING THE ENVIRONMENT AND PROMOTING COMMUNITY HEALTH



PROVIDING A
CONTINUUM OF
CARE



SERVING OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS

Expanded mental health services

Opened the Cordilleras Health and Wellness Campus



Fully implemented 24-7 Mobile Crisis Response Team Services and Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) Court





Expanded mental health services

Created a Stabilization Care Unit with 20-25 beds to provide



Feedback from our Clients

"I feel like I'm finally getting the mental health treatment I've been wanting."

"I really like being able to go to groups. It's so great."

"I like being on this unit. I was really struggling before and it helps being here."



Expanded substance use disorder services

Established an Integrated Medication Assisted Treatment (IMAT) program in Correctional Facilities, combining medication for substance use disorders with counseling and other therapies to support treatment and recovery

Enhanced countywide paramedic scope of practice to prevent and treat opioid use disorder

- Introduced an alternative to narcotic-based pain management
- Providing access to Suboxone medication-assisted treatment



Implemented technology to improve the quality and efficiency of care

- Implemented Wave 1 EPIC – Electronic Health Record on schedule and within budget
- Successfully performed the first EPIC upgrade

 a double-upgrade with just 12 minutes of downtime

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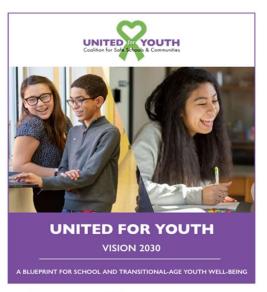




Developed roadmaps for improved health in partnership with community

Completed Community Health Improvement Plan and United for Youth Vision 2030 Blueprint













EFFICIENCIES

- Launched two online portals to provide patients/customers greater access to information, services and resources
 - MyChart for SMMC patients
 - MyEHS for Environmental Health customers
- Improved processes and workflows to better match patients and clients with the care they need
 - Implemented a screening tool in BHRS to quickly assess need and get clients to the right provider
 - Implemented pre-hospital EMS data sharing with hospitals
 - Centralized Intake/Adult Protective Services/Public Guardian
 - Streamlined authorization of service for babies in the neonatal intensive care unit



FY 2025-27 BUDGET OVERVIEW

	FY 2024-25 Revised	FY 2025-26 Recommended	Percent Change	FY 2026-27 Preliminary Recommended
Total Sources	\$1,126,860,070	\$1,166,002,431	3%	\$1,124,189,547
Total Requirements	\$1,333,706,688	\$1,385,723,087	4%	\$1,352,578,786
Net County Cost	\$206,846,618	\$219,720,656	6%	\$228,389,239
Total Positions	2,339	2,355	1%	2,354



KEY CHANGES

- Implementation of multiple significant new state behavioral health policies
 - SB 43 expanded involuntary commitment law to include individuals with substance use disorders
 - Proposition 1 (Behavioral Health Services Act) significantly reformed the Mental Health Services Act and reprioritized the allocation of MHSA funds
 - Proposition 36 established "treatment-mandated felonies"
- Increasing access to care provided in correctional health facilities
 - Implementation of the CalAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative to connect incarcerated people to health care pre- and post-release
 - Provision of additional mental health support
- Upgrading and expanding County-owned behavioral health facilities



NEW PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- % of San Mateo County Health that has implemented the SAFE System to Solve problem solving platform.
- % of SMMC patients up to date with childhood immunizations.
- % of SMMC patients receiving prenatal care within 1st trimester.
- % of San Mateo County 911 EMS out-of-hospital cardiac arrest patients found in a shockable rhythm who receive some bystander invention and survive compared to all others in California.





MEDI-CAL RISKS IN THE STATE BUDGET

- Contains reductions in health programs to help close a projected \$12B budget gap
- Mitigating many reductions in health services proposed in the Governor's budget, the Legislature's budget contains:
 - Reduction in coverage for Medi-Cal beneficiaries with unsatisfactory immigration status
 - Freezes enrollment beginning 1/1/26 with a 6-month re-enrollment grace period
 - Establishes \$30 monthly premiums for beneficiaries age 19-59 starting 1/1/27
 - Eliminates federally qualified health center rates effective 1/1/27
 - Eliminates dental coverage effective 1/1/27
 - Reinstatement of the Medi-Cal asset limit from \$0 to \$130K



FEDERAL RISKS

- Potential changes to Medicaid
 - Program Restructuring
 - Reductions to State Funding
 - Barriers to eligibility/accessing services
- Changes to federal capacity tor disease control and surveillance
- Reduction in funding for emergency preparedness and response
- Increase costs due to tariffs



KEY PRIORITIES FOR FY 2025-27

- Monitor and respond to changing federal and state health policy that impacts local programs and services.
- Continue to implement multiple significant new state behavioral health policies (e.g., SB 43, Prop 1, Prop 36)
- Continue to implement CalAIM and prepare for successor to CalAIM
- Keep pace with demand of caseload growth in Adult Protective Services and In-Home Supportive Services
- Respond to needs of unhoused residents in coordination with County and community partners



KEY PRIORITIES FOR FY 2025-27

- Advance Wave 2 of the Electronic Health Record implementation to expand use throughout County Health
- Expand and upgrade County Health facilities
 - North County Wellness Center
 - Women, Infant and Children
 - Hopkins Manor
 - Other remodels/upgrades
- Work with County partners to support the establishment of the Family Justice Center





KEY PRIORITIES FOR FY 2025-27

 Continue to strengthen County Health's culture to sustain high staff engagement and keep County Health a great place to work











QUESTIONS?