

# SCHSAC FPHR Funding Workgroup: Homework and Discussion Guide for September 11, 2023

## 1. We know:

- Approximately \$9.4 million available
- Must go to community health boards (51 entities)
- One of several new funding streams that help support public health work including foundational public health responsibilities (this is not the only piece of the pie)
- Desired outcome is a stronger statewide public health system (a stronger foundation from border to border)

## 2. The workgroup has conveyed an interest in assuring:

- Every community health board gets enough to make meaningful progress on foundational public health responsibilities
- The formula should both reduce health inequities in communities and inequities across our governmental public health system

## 3. Given those realities, discuss two questions:

What variables should be included in a funding formula that would reflect the principles above? How would the region you represent create a formula for statewide distribution of foundational public health responsibility funding? What ingredients would they use?

- Variables could be anything that helps achieve the goal. There might be two, there might be 4 or 5.
- Examples might be:
  - Base funding (e.g., a flat amount for all CHBs + an Equity Metric to be determined (e.g., SVI) + a multi-county offset
  - Base funding + Equity metric + Capacity metric to be determined
  - Base + Equity metric + capacity metric + population metric + multi-county offset
  - Base + Equity metric + capacity metric + regional collaboration incentive
  - Create Your Own Pizza: Base (the crust) + B + C = A stronger statewide public health system
- Think creatively – maybe there is a better way to achieve the goal!
- It's OK to come up with more than one. **Send your region's ideas to Phyllis by 9:00 a.m. on 9/11/2023.** If your region doesn't meet before the next meeting, do your best to solicit input informally; they can weigh in again between 9/11 and 9/27.

Are there other important guiding principles the workgroup should consider? A principle is usually phrased like, "Funds should/should not \_\_\_\_\_" or "A funding formula should/should not \_\_\_\_\_."

- **Send any new ideas from your region to Phyllis by 9:00 a.m. on 9/11/2023.** If your region doesn't meet before the next workgroup meeting, do your best to solicit input informally; they can weigh in again between 9/11 and 9/27.

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