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Greetings:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently awarded the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) \$140,788,207.00 for component A1 as part of the *Strengthening U.S. Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems* Grant. The five-year Component A1 grant supports strengthening public health infrastructure, workforce, and systems. The period of performance for the grant is a 5-year budget period, 12/01/2022—11/30/2027. DSHS earmarked 41.25% of the total award for local health entities (LHEs). DSHS then divided this funding among LHEs using the same proportions used for the Public Health Workforce grant (PHWG). The LHEs included in the Public Health Infrastructure grant (PHIG) allocations were those that received a contract from DSHS under the PHWG and were not directly funded by CDC for the PHIG.

Your jurisdiction has been awarded a total of \$1,625,736.00 to spend over a five-year period. Unlike other grants, LHEs will have access to their entire award in year one. LHEs should budget the funds to meet their jurisdictional needs. LHEs may spend equal amounts over five years, divide funds over fewer than five years, or adopt an entirely different allocation strategy. The award listed above is your jurisdiction's entire award. DSHS will not provide additional funds when these funds are expended.

DSHS will send a statement of work (SOW) and a five-year budget template in the coming weeks. The expectation is that these PHIG funds will be used for sustainment of the existing staff hired with PHWG funding since the A.1 component is for "hiring, training and sustaining the workforce". This funding can also be used to purchase items to support the positions, and travel and training activities. Additional information will be forthcoming on the LHE call scheduled for Monday, 12/12/22.

We'd like to thank all in Texas public health for your incredible work and willingness to provide exceptional public health services throughout our state.

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Respectfully,

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