

# TUBERCULOSIS (TB) CONTROL & REFUGEE HEALTH BRANCH ACCEPTANCE OF REVENUES BOARD LETTER

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#### PURPOSE OF THE BOARD LETTER



 To accept revenue through the combination of Federal and State grants to further enhance TB control and Refugee Health within San Diego County.

# TB CONTROL AND REFUGEE HEALTH BRANCH REVENUE



Source	CA Dept. of Public Health (CDPH)	CDPH Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP)	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
Amount	\$905,432	\$1,374,640	\$1,961,872
Period	Jul 1, 2022 – Jun 30, 2023	Oct 1, 2022-Sept 30, 2023	Jan 1, 2023– Dec 31,2023

# TB Control and Refugee Health Branch Revenue



Source	CDPH	CDC
Amount	\$2,280,072	\$1,961,872
Programs	<ul> <li>Contact Investigation</li> <li>Binational Education</li> <li>Refugee Health Screening</li> <li>Transitional Housing &amp; Support</li> <li>Treatment</li> <li>Direct Observed Therapy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contact Investigation</li> <li>TB Testing</li> <li>Latent TB Infection</li> <li>Screening</li> <li>Treatment</li> <li>Direct Observed Therapy</li> <li>Laboratory Analysis</li> </ul>

## 2021-2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS



- A total of 201 newly active TB cases were reported for 2021. This is slightly higher than 2020 (192). We are still seeing effects of the pandemic on diagnosis and reporting of TB.
- Conduct approximately 7000 TB Clinic visits per year.
- Identify and monitor approximately 2000 close contacts of active TB cases per year.
- Provided approximately 4100 refugee and asylum seeker health screenings.

### 2021-2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS



- Published article in JAMA, <u>Sociodemographic Characteristics</u>,
   <u>Comorbidities</u>, and <u>Mortality among Persons Diagnosed with</u>
   <u>Tuberculosis and Covid-19 in Close Succession in California</u>, 2020.
- The San Diego County TB Elimination Initiative (TBEI) is in implementation phase with quarterly Advisory Taskforce meetings, Community of Practice (CoP), Schools Committee, and Outreach and Education Committee. Poster presented at the National TB Controllers' Association annual conference on CoP model.

#### 2022 TBCRH IMPROVEMENTS



- Added social worker classification to our branch in order to better support our patients including assistance with navigating the medical field, medi-cal, social services like applications for CalFresh, assistance with housing or other needs in order to help them complete their TB treatment.
- Conducting a study with an architecture firm for Infectious TB housing in order to decrease
  hospital discharge times for infectious TB patients who are otherwise stable. Goal is to have
  3-4 housing units along with food, security, and other services while undergoing TB
  treatment.
- Developed a Contact Investigation team (CI) that is currently investigating household contacts of TB patients. This was part of the PHN workload but in an effort to reduce burnout and for better completion of household contact followup this new CI team was developed.



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