

Governor's Budget Proposal Virginia Department of Health

**Presentation to
House Appropriations Committee**

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Discussion

- Pandemic Response and More
- Strengthening Public Health
- Investing in Virginia's Readiness

Guiding Principles

Mission: Protect the health and promote the well-being of all people in Virginia

Vision: Become the healthiest state in the nation

Strengthening Public Health

Budget Priorities FY23 - 24



Improve public health readiness across the Commonwealth



Create a more holistic and integrated 21st century public health system



Modernize and innovate legacy systems

Investing in Public Health Readiness

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Initiatives



Facilities Broadband (\$8M) – VDH is modernizing and upgrading the internet infrastructure of Local Health District (LHD) offices and client service areas throughout the Commonwealth is fundamental to protecting the health and promoting the well-being of all people in Virginia.



Electronic Health Records –EHR (\$30M) – VDH will deploy an EHR system in a format that can be shared across Virginia’s healthcare ecosystem. A state-of-the-art EHR system will improve public health prevention activities, facilitate timelier diagnoses, and enhance public health reporting.



Local Health District Maintenance (\$30M) – VDH is implementing critical facility maintenance and local health district (LHD) upgrades to ensure all residents served by the Virginia’s public health systems, have equitable and safe access to the services and resources they need.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Initiatives



Administrative Systems (\$50M) - VDH will transform and modernize IT service management, business and financial management systems to bring the department into the 21st Century and enhance the Commonwealth's state of readiness to respond to public health emergencies.



Records Management Systems (\$30M) – VDH will to convert from a legacy paper-centric records management process to a streamlined and modernized digitized and automated system. This transformation will enable greater efficiencies to more effectively serve Virginians.

Proposed Funding & Staffing (FY23 – 24)

People

	GF	NGF	TOTAL
Current *MEL	1,571.5	2,228	3,799.5
Proposed new **FTEs	34	45	***79
Projected MEL	1,605.5	2,273	3879.5

Budget

SOURCE	FY23	FY24
General Fund (GF)	\$239,677,653	\$242,391,277
Non-General Fund (NGF)	\$986,566,798	\$726,897,537
NGF – Item 486	\$203,391,157	\$110,382,512
TOTAL	\$1,429,635,608	\$1,079,671,362

More than 75% of the VDH budget is comprised of Federal funds with complex eligibility and sustainment requirements. Timely and predictable funding is essential to meet VDH core mission.

*MEL – Maximum Employment Level (FY 23 & FY24)

**FTEs – Full Time Equivalent (FY23 & FY24)

***Note: 79 FTEs represent 68 FTEs and 11 Temporary Staff

VDH Budget Amendments

Epidemiology & Medical Examiner	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Staffing for the Strengthening STD Prevention and Control for Health Departments federal grant. NGF appropriation in Item 486.				
Enhances genomic surveillance efforts	\$246,469		\$246,469	
Expands comprehensive harm reduction (CHR) services	\$1,061,875		\$1,681,875	
Increases chief medical examiner (CME) capacity	\$1,047,553		\$1,047,553	
Increases medicolegal death investigation capacity	\$332,150		\$332,150	

VDH Budget Amendments

Community Health Services	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Year 3 phase in of local match rates.	\$2,835,696		\$5,671,392	
Support for increases in rent at local health department facilities	\$878,435	\$650,411	\$892,559	\$661,967
Transfers federal funding from VDH to Virginia Department of Social Services		(\$417,822)		(\$417,822)

VDH Budget Amendments

Prevention and Health Promotion	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Funding for a firearm violence prevention epidemiologist	\$144,799		\$144,799	
Funding to continue the Virginia Resource Mothers program	\$1,000,000	(\$1,000,000)	\$1,000,000	(\$1,000,000)
Facilitates marijuana prevention and education	\$2,240,000		\$2,240,000	
Amends language for the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Prevention (VSDVP) fund	<p>Language Only Amendment - Current language limits access to only six organizations and eliminates approximately 40 others.</p>			

VDH Budget Amendments

Environmental Health	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Funding for 7 FTEs to establish the Chesapeake Bay Septic Pilot Program	\$1,038,611		\$1,013,720	
Restores unallotted funding for Division of Shellfish Safety	\$190,764		\$190,764	
Provides funding to assess shellfish contamination in rural growing and harvesting grounds	\$175,000		\$175,000	
Provides funding and positions to support the Grade 'A' Milk program	\$149,952		\$134,952	

VDH Budget Amendments

Medical Facilities Licensure & Certification	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Provides funding for hospital plan reporting and review requirements	\$283,696		\$567,391	
Provides funding and position for an increase in regulatory caseloads	\$120,106		\$120,106	

VDH Budget Amendments

Drinking Water	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Restores unallotted funding for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund state	*\$482,400		\$482,400	
	\$482,400			
Restores unallotted funding to replace the Office of Drinking Water database	\$250,000		\$250,000	
7 FTEs to implement Water Sampling Verification Program	\$1,500,000		\$1,500,000	
Funding to consolidate small waterworks to increase resilience and reliability	\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000	
11 FTEs (Temp) to manage the increase in drinking water construction projects.	In Caboose bill – Effective FY22			

**Note: Represents funding request for FY22*

VDH Budget Amendments

Health Workforce / Rural Health	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Matching funds for the State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) federal grant	\$1,200,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,000,000
Matching funds for the Virginia State Office of Rural Health federal grant	\$540,000		\$540,000	

VDH Budget Amendments

Mission Operations Support	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Funding for public health data software licensing requirements.	\$826,637		\$826,637	
2 FTEs to support increased IT projects	\$265,851		\$265,851	
Funding and positions for the Office of Internal Audit	\$231,448		\$231,448	
2 FTEs to support admin functions for Opioid Abatement Authority	\$200,000		\$200,000	
Funding for an integrated e-referral system	\$8,000,000		\$8,000,000	

VDH Budget Amendments

Mission Operations Support	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Funding for the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority (VHWDA)	\$800,000		\$300,000	
Funding for the Special Olympics' Health Athletes program (Pass Through)	\$15,000		\$15,000	
Support the ASK Childhood Cancer Foundation (Pass Through)	\$700,289		\$700,289	
Support the Pediatric Hospice and Palliative Care program (Pass Through)	\$500,000			

Key Takeaways

- ✓ The COVID-19 pandemic response will require continued vigilance, timely and predictable resources and requisite authorities to achieve containment and recovery in the Commonwealth.
- ✓ Virginia requires innovation, agility and strategic partnerships to protect the health and promote the well-being of all people in Virginia.
- ✓ Investing in public health is vital to ensuring Virginia becomes the healthiest state in the nation.

Appendix

VDH Budget Amendments

COVID-19 and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Related Budget Amendments	FY23 GF	FY23 NGF	FY24 GF	FY24 NGF
Provides one-time GF for COVID-19 response overtime costs - Provides \$3.3M one-time general fund support to pay for overtime costs related to COVID-19 response efforts.	FY22 Caboose Amendment – Appropriates funding to cover OT through June 30, 2022.			
Provides appropriation for VDH COVID-19 response grants – Reduces the number of mid-year administrative adjustments and increase budget transparency.		\$259,680,817		
Provides appropriation for ARPA grants other than the State and Local Recovery Fund (Item 486)		\$134,791,157		\$33,232,512
Provides appropriation for the continuation of ARPA initiatives - Originally authorized in Chapter 1, 2021 Acts of Assembly, Special Session II (Item 486).		\$63,600,000		\$77,150,000
Provides appropriation for new ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund allocation - Not previously authorized in Chapter 1, 2021 Acts of Assembly, Special Session II (Item 486).		\$5,000,000		

ARPA Initiatives – Enhancing Public Health



Well & Septic Systems Improvement (\$11.5M)



Drinking Water Infrastructure & Resources (\$100M)



Public Oral Health Taskforce (\$1M)



Targeted Community Outreach (\$20M)



Substance Abuse & Suicide Epidemic (\$10M)

Total - FY23 - \$63,600,000 NGF FY24 - \$77,150,000 NGF

VDH Funding & Staffing FY23 - 24

Governor's Introduced Budget	FY23		FY24	
	GF	NGF	GF	NGF
Base Appropriation	208,119,838	721,576,816	208,119,838	721,576,816
Central Appropriation Distribution	3,490,816	4,876,576	3,490,816	4,876,576
New Funding / Appropriation	28,066,999	260,113,406	30,780,623	444,145
Central Appropriation ARPA SLRF		68,600,000		77,150,000
Central Appropriation ARPA Grants		134,791,157		33,232,512
Proposed Budget	239,677,653	1,189,957,955	242,391,277	837,280,049
Total Proposed Budget	1,429,635,608		1,079,671,326	
Authorized Positions	1,571.5	2,228.0	1,571.5	2,228.0
Proposed New Positions	34.0	45.0	34.0	45.0
Maximum Employment Level	1,605.5	2,273.0	1,605.5	2,273.0
Total MEL	3,878.5		3,878.5	

VDH COVID Budget Amendments

- Provide appropriation for other American Rescue Plan Act grants
- Provides appropriation for American Rescue Plan Act grants other than the State and Local Recovery Fund.

This is specific to these grants:

Grant Name	FY23 Appropriation	FY24 Appropriation
Crisis Response Cooperative Agreement	\$25,460,480	\$2,000,000
Epidemiology and Lab Capacity for School Testing	\$84,838,264	\$7,069,855
Epidemiology and Lab Capacity for Confinement Settings	\$6,976,200	\$6,976,200
COVID-19 Vaccine Preparedness Adjustment	\$12,557,027	\$12,557,027
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Grant Program	\$439,674	\$109,918
Disease Intervention Workforce	\$4,519,512	\$4,519,512
Total	\$134,791,157	\$33,232,512

VDH COVID Budget Amendments

- **Add appropriation for various COVID-19 federal grants not from the federal American Rescue Plan Act**
- Provides appropriation for Virginia Department of Health's COVID-19 response grants, not originating from the federal American Rescue Plan Act, to reduce the number of mid-year administrative adjustments and increase budget transparency.

This is specific to these grants:

Grant Name	FY23 Appropriation
Various ELC Awards (8 in total, not appropriated at the individual grant level)	\$242,648,784
Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program	\$150,000
Health Disparities Among Populations at High Risk & Underserved	\$16,882,033
Total	\$259,680,817

VDH COVID Budget Amendments

- Provide appropriation for the continuation of Chapter 1 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) amounts
- Provides appropriation for the continuation of ARPA initiatives originally authorized in Chapter 1, 2021 Acts of Assembly, Special Session II.

Activity	FY23 Appropriation	FY24 Appropriation
Well and Septic Systems Improvement	\$1,600,000	\$4,150,000
Drinking Water Infrastructure and Resources	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000
Substance Abuse & Suicide Epidemic	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
Electronic Health Records	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
Administrative Systems	\$15,000,000	\$25,000,000
Records Management System	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
Total	\$63,600,000	\$77,150,000

VDH COVID Direct Federal Grants (1 of 2)

Grant Name	Budget	Grant Expires:
Public Health Crisis Response	\$ 13,621,612	3/15/2022
Public Health Crisis Response II	\$ 50,920,959	6/30/2023
Virginia Hospital Preparedness (Subrecipient Agreements)	\$ 1,020,234	6/30/2021
Virginia Hospital Preparedness Program-Supplemental Award	\$ 2,560,402	6/30/2021
Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program	\$ 508,526	3/31/2022
CARE Act Provider Relief Funds	\$ 18,706	N/A
Coronavirus State Hospital Improvement Program	\$ 1,854,974	9/30/2021
State Hospital Improvement Program COVID Testing and Mitigation	\$ 5,167,520	12/31/2022
USDA Child Nutrition	\$ 24,994,980	9/30/2020
USDA CACFP	\$ 3,298,945	9/30/2021
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC)	\$ 15,257,347	4/23/2022
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC)-Enhancing Detection	\$ 213,081,523	11/30/2022
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC)-Cross-Cutting Emerging Issues	\$ 1,593,604	5/27/2022
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC)-AMD/PHL/Travelers Health	\$ 1,332,000	9/30/2022
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) - Emerging Infectious Diseases	\$ 491,290,671	7/31/2023
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) K-12	\$ 257,085,647	7/31/2022
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Expand Genomic Sequencing & PHL	\$ 5,731,715	7/31/2024
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) VPD/HIS/NWSS	\$ 1,467,950	7/31/2024
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Data Modernization	\$ 3,749,726	7/31/2023

VDH COVID Direct Federal Grants (2 of 2)

Grant Name	Budget	Grant Expires:
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID Confinement Settings	\$ 21,140,000	7/31/2024
(ELC) Homeless Service Sites & Congregate Settings	\$ 1,439,232	7/31/2024
(ELC) Strengthening HAI & AR Program Capacity (SHARP)	\$ 8,176,459	7/31/2024
(ELC) Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facility Strike Teams - SNF	\$ 5,009,587	7/31/2024
(ELC) Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facility Strike Teams - NH & LTC	\$ 4,955,677	7/31/2024
(ELC) Travelers Health Year 2	\$ 475,000	12/31/2022
COVID-19 Vaccination and Influenza Activities	\$ 3,762,691	6/30/2024
COVID-19 Vaccination Activities	\$ 169,656,471	6/30/2024
CORE State Injury and Violence Prevention Program COVID 19 Supplement	\$ 173,913	7/31/2021
Injury Prevention and Control Research and State and Community Based Programs	\$ 90,132	1/31/2021
OLC CMS COVID Award (\$860,212 awarded to date)	\$ 1,506,308	9/30/2022
WIC	\$ 16,327,475	9/30/2021
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Homevisiting Grant Program	\$ 879,347	9/30/2023
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Homevisiting Grant Program	\$ 1,763,968	9/30/2024
Health Disparities Among Populations at High Risk & Underserved	\$ 27,344,292	5/31/2023
Va Beach Health Disparities Among Populations at High Risk & Underserved	\$ 3,350,369	5/31/2023
Disease Intervention Specialists Workforce	\$ 4,519,512	12/31/2023
FEMA funds transferred from VDEM for Call Center (Budget is YTD receipts)	\$ 25,747,305	
FEMA funds transferred from VDEM for Vaccination (Budget is YTD receipts)	\$ -	
FEMA funds transferred from VDEM for Vaccination Centers (Budget is YTD receipts)	\$ 16,478,830	
Subtotal:	\$ 1,407,353,609	