



Public Health Department Research Update

CITY MANAGER

PRESENTATION STRUCTURE

- Research Intent
- Torrance Public Health Department Responsibilities
- City Updates
- Council Information Requests
- Benefits & Limitations
- Next Steps & Council Options

RESEARCH INTENT

- Allow Torrance to make autonomous public health decisions in public health emergencies
- CDPH can override any local reopening and safety guidance in the event of a public health emergency.
- CDPH could require localities follow guidance from their county

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES



TORRANCE PHD RESPONSIBILITIES (1/2)

1. Collection and analysis of public health statistics
2. Health education programs
3. Communicable disease control services
4. Medical, nursing, educational, and other services to promote maternal and child health
5. Environmental health and sanitation services
6. Public health laboratory services

TORRANCE PHD RESPONSIBILITIES (2/2)

7. Nutrition services
8. Chronic disease prevention or mitigation services
9. Services directed to the social factors affecting health
10. Occupational health promotion
11. Family planning services
12. Public health nursing services

CITY UPDATES



BEVERLY HILLS

- Not planning to establish a public health department.
- Researching how existing services can improve public health.
- Example: EMT's providing follow-up visits to those who used ambulance services.

LONG BEACH

Health and Human Services Department

- Adjusted 2023 expenditure: \$204,752,945
- Adopted 2024 expenditure: \$187,732,395
- Adopted 2024 revenues: \$170,025,693
- Adopted 2024 Fund Impact: -\$17,706,702

PASADENA

Public Health Department

- Actual Expenditures in FY 2022-23: \$19,213,000
- Actual Revenues in FY 2022-23: \$18,392,000
- FY 2024 Adopted Budget of \$23,819,955

WEST COVINA

- Provisional approval estimated in 2024
 - CDPH approval process under internal review
 - Still researching funding
- Performing a Community Health Needs Assessment Survey.
 - Required for Public Health Departments and Hospitals

SANTA ANA

- Considered a Community Health Strategist position.
- Decided not to develop this position.

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FUNDING AND GRANTS



FINDINGS

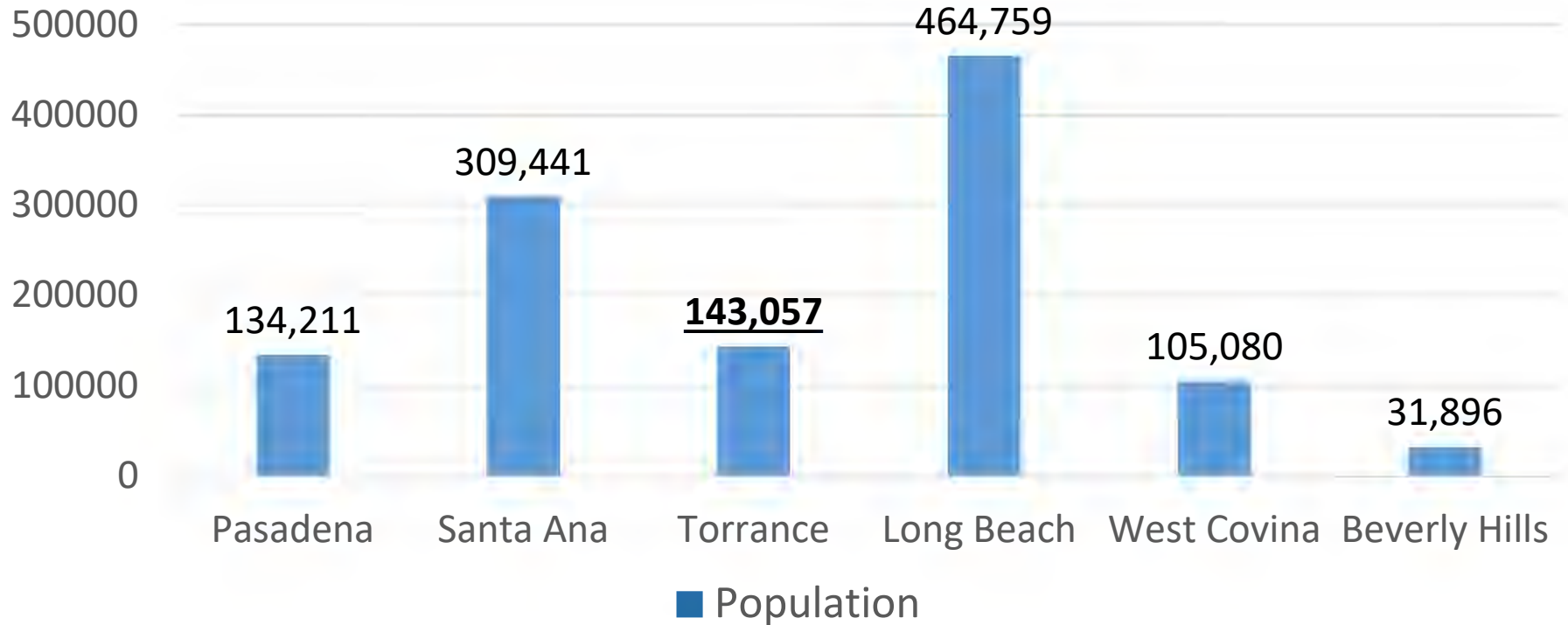
- Only found special operating program funding
- No funding to start up the health department has been found.
- Startup sources: General fund or secure a legislative appropriation.

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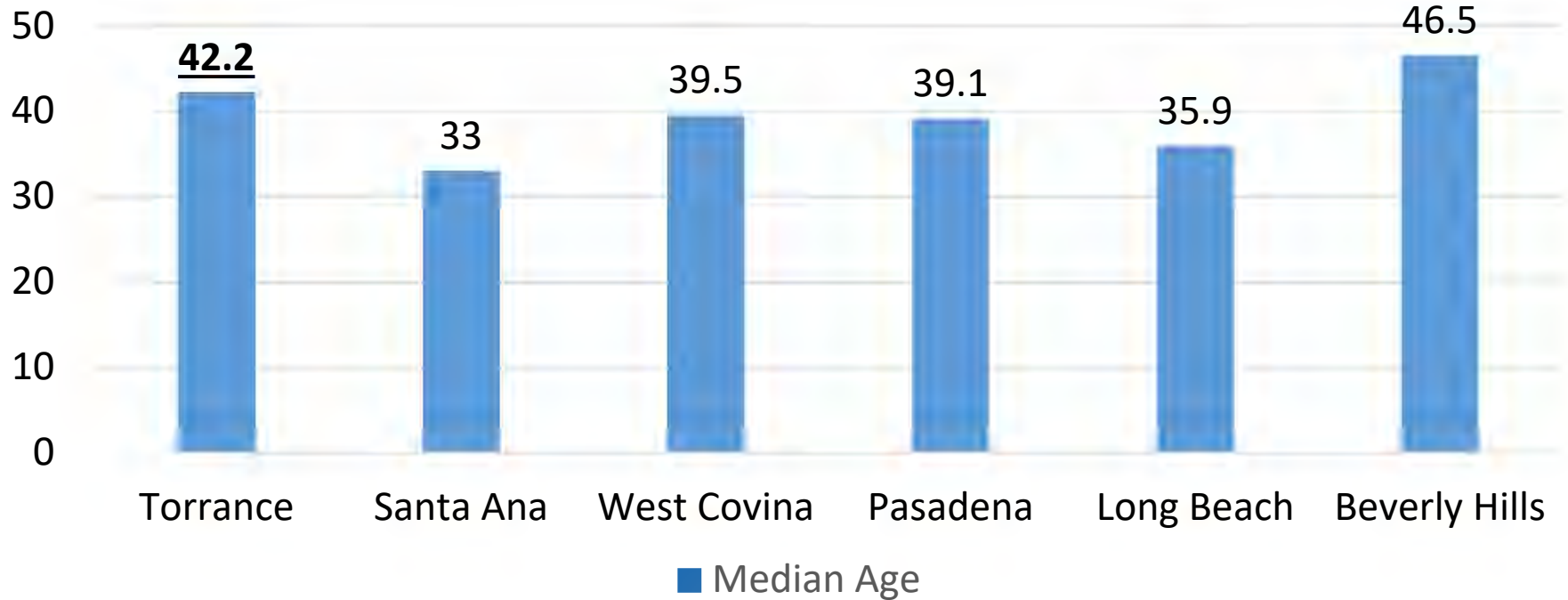
HEALTH INDICATORS COMPARISON



POPULATION COMPARISON



AGE COMPARISON

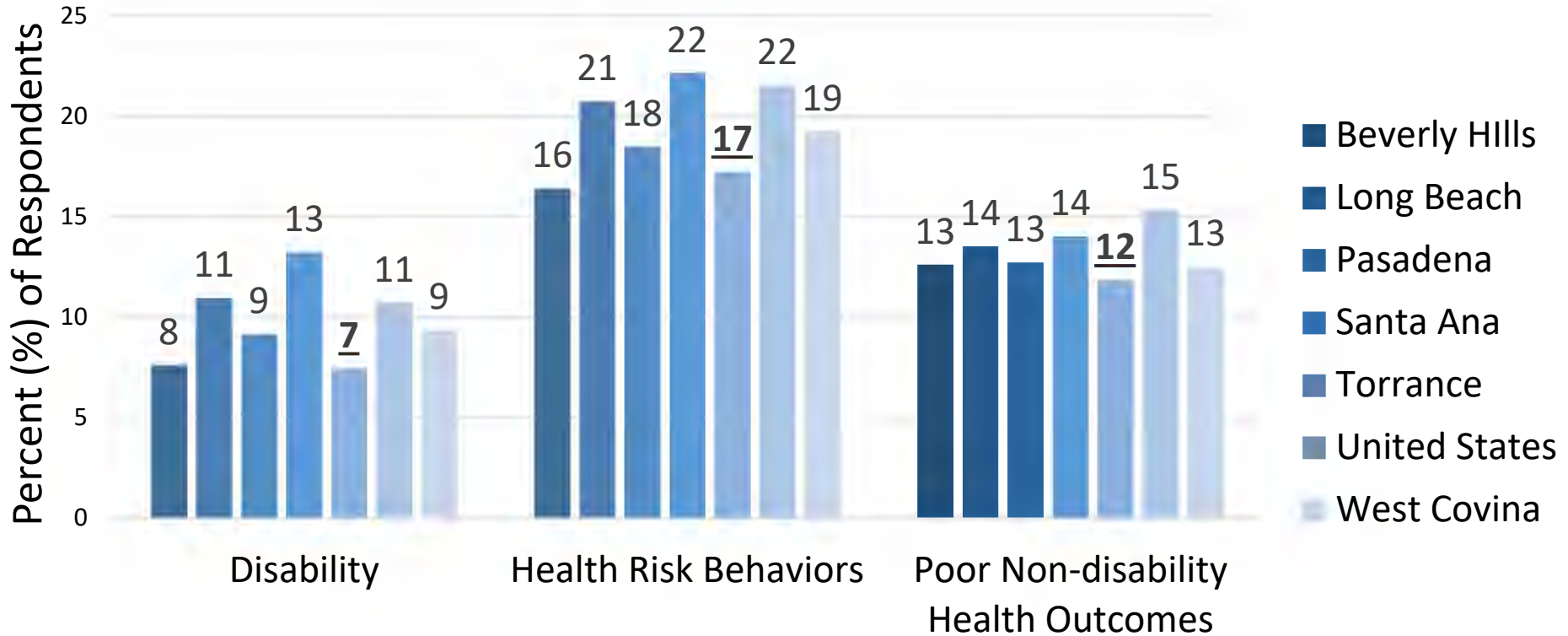


PLACES: LOCAL HEALTH INDICATORS COMPARISON

CDC PLACES

- Model-based, population-level analysis and community estimates of health measures to all counties, places (incorporated and census designated places), census tracts, and ZIP Code Tabulation Areas (ZCTAs) across the United States.

MAJOR HEALTH INDICATORS COMPARISON

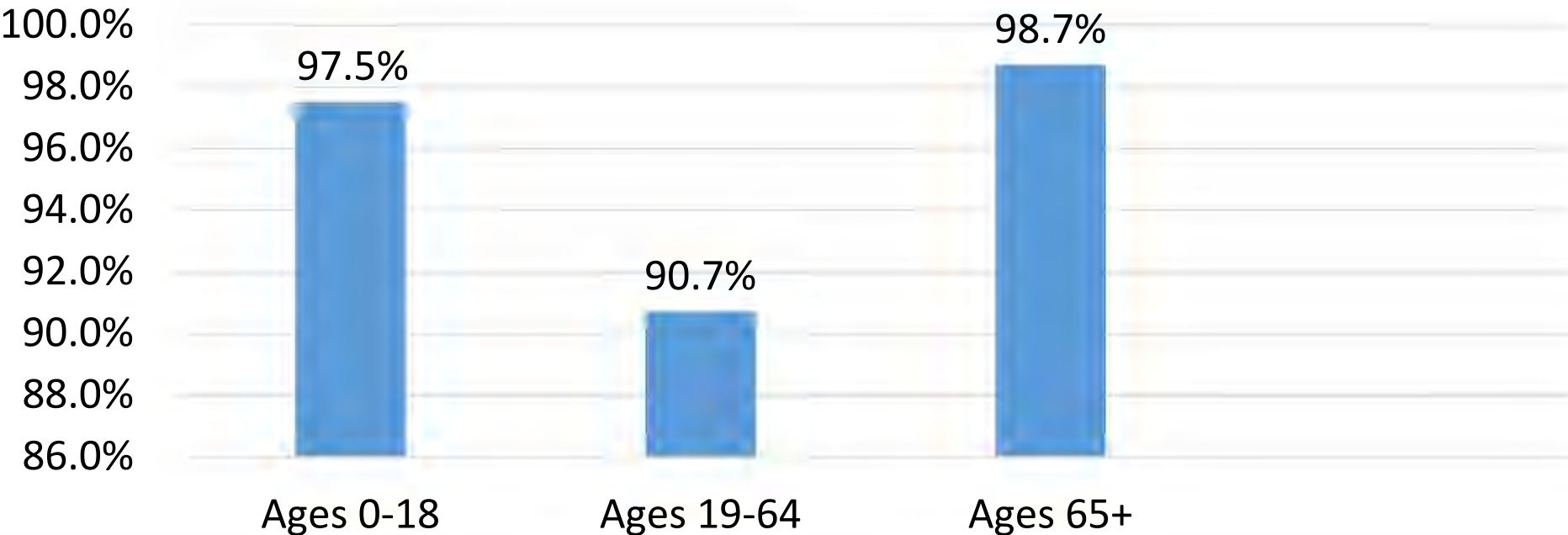


PREVENTATIVE HEALTHCARE COMPARISONS

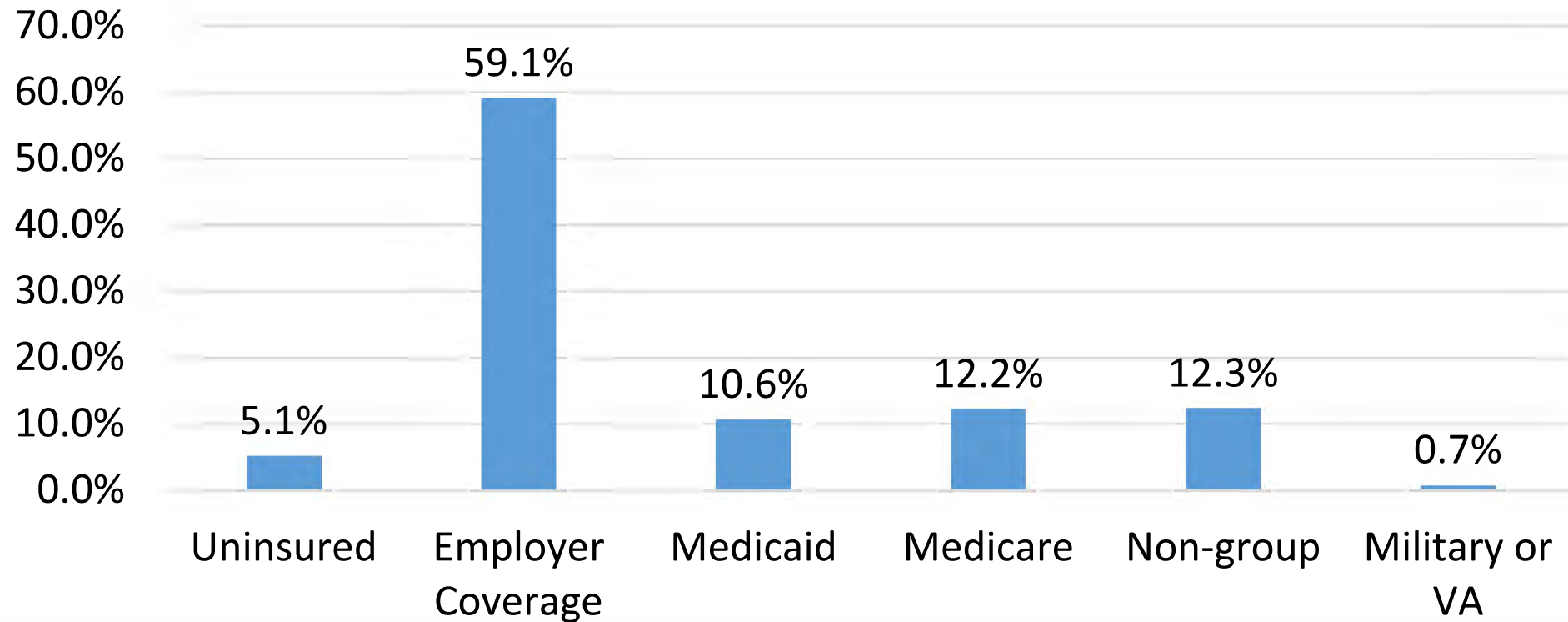
	Cervical cancer screening among women aged 21-65	Cholesterol screening among adults	Colorectal cancer screening among adults aged 50-75	Current lack of health insurance among adults aged 18-64	Mammography use among women aged 50-74	Taking high blood pressure medicine for adults with HBP
Torrance	81 (3 rd)	89 (1 st)	62 (3 rd)	6 (2 nd)	74 (3 rd)	62 (1 st)
Beverly Hills	85	89	66	4	75	62
Long Beach	80	85	59	13	73	60
Pasadena	83	87	63	10	75	61
Santa Ana	79	80	54	24	67	60
West Covina	79	87	58	12	73	61

TORRANCE MEMORIAL CHNA: HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

Torrance Health Insurance Coverage by Age Group



TORRANCE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE BY TYPE



MAYOR CHEN

**INVESTIGATE HOW WEST COVINA MADE
ESTABLISHING THEIR HEALTH
DEPARTMENT “NET-ZERO DOLLARS”**



FINDINGS

- Used \$500,000 from the American Recovery Act COVID-19 assistance funding and \$0 from the General Fund
- Torrance has already used this funding for other projects

COUNCILMEMBER KALANI

**SANTA ANA CHIEF HEALTH STRATEGIST
POSITION DETAILS**



POSITION OVERVIEW

- **\$580,000** over **three full-time positions.**
- Active pursuit of federal and state grants
- Monitoring and reporting on community conditions
- Strategy development for community services and land use
- Advocacy with county public health
- Community and philanthropic cultivation and partnership

POSITIONS BREAKDOWN

Proposed New City Staff Position	Comparable City of Santa Ana Position	Projected Number of FTEs	Salary Midpoint	Fully Burdened Cost (+40%)
Chief Strategist Position	Principal Planner Position	1	\$11,295	\$190,000
Grant Manager/Analyst	Senior Budget Analyst	1	\$8,718	\$146,000
Data Analyst	Budget Analyst	1	\$6,538	\$110,000
Subtotal		3		\$446,000
Estimated Infrastructure (30%)				\$133,800
Total Cost with OH				\$579,800

BENEFITS AND LIMITATIONS



BENEFITS

- Community-specific programs and interventions
- Resources not split among vulnerable populations across the County
- Authority to create our own budgets as well as establish taxes and fees for public health

LIMITATIONS

- State could mandate CDPH or County emergency orders or safety guidance
- Duplicative administrative infrastructure results in:
 - Fragmented or redundant services
 - Inefficient disease control and emergency preparedness
- Loss of economy of scaling
- No funds from the County tax base

NEXT STEPS

- Feasibility and Fiscal Evaluation
- Community Health Needs Assessment
- Community Health Improvement Plan

OPTIONS

- Option 1: Accept/File, direct Staff to bring forth a subsequent update once the City of West Covina has established their Public Health Department for a full one-year period
- Option 2: Accept/File, direct Staff to bring forth a subsequent update based on Council's priorities or additional research inquiries
- Option 3: Accept/File, direct Staff to halt research efforts on a potential establishment of a City-operated Public Health Department at this time

THANK YOU

