



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Contract with the State of Florida Department of Health for the operation of the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the contract with the State of Florida Department of Health for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 operation of the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas (DOH Pinellas).

- The contract provides direct ad valorem support to the State of Florida Department of Health pursuant to Chapter 154 Florida Statutes for the operation of DOH Pinellas to promote, protect, maintain, and improve the health and safety of all citizens and visitors through a system of coordinated county health departments.
- Funding in an amount not to exceed \$7,770,320.00 has been included in the Adopted FY24 Budget. This amount of \$7,770,320.00 is consistent with the development of the FY24 Budget. These funds are generated by a dedicated millage rate of 0.0713 mills levied countywide as adopted at the Second Public Hearing on September 19, 2023.
- The County's share includes \$6,094,060.00 for core services and \$1,676,260.00 for the School Nurse program. Since October 1, 2022, the School Nurse Program has provided approximately 681,056 services.
- Services maintained by the DOH Pinellas include environmental health services, communicable disease control, prevention services, primary care services, and school nurse programs. During the first three-quarters of FY23 (October - June), DOH Pinellas provided services to 83,123 clients.
- This contract does not include the Pinellas County Health Program which is under a separate contract.
- This contract reflects a decrease of \$194,020.00, or 2.5%, versus the FY23 contract, which is attributed to reduced actual costs for capital projects in FY24.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

This is an annual contract to support DOH Pinellas with funds generated by a dedicated millage rate levied countywide. The State periodically requests amendments to the contract based on state and federal funding adjustments. The County's share includes \$6,094,060.00 for core services and \$1,676,260.00 for the School Nurse Program. This reflects a decrease of \$194,020.00, or 2.5%, versus the FY23 contract, which is attributed to reduced actual costs for capital projects in FY24.

Background Information:

This Contract provides direct ad valorem support to the State of Florida Department of Health for the operation of DOH Pinellas locally, pursuant to Chapter 154 Florida Statutes, which states that the intent of the Legislature is to "promote, protect, maintain and improve the health and safety of all citizens and visitors of the State through a system of coordinated county health departments." County health departments satisfy legislative intent through the promotion of the public's health, as well as the control and eradication of preventable diseases and the provision of primary health care for special populations. Services maintained by DOH Pinellas include environmental health services, communicable disease control services, and primary care services.

During the first three-quarters of FY23 (Oct.-Jun.), DOH Pinellas provided services to 83,123 clients. Communicable disease services were provided to 44,824 clients; environmental health services were provided to 4,727 clients; and primary care services, including disease prevention, tobacco intervention, Healthy Start, School Health, and other programs, were provided to 33,572 clients. The School Nurse Program has provided approximately 681,056 services since October 1, 2022. This does not include Pinellas County Health Program clients.

Fiscal Impact:

Appropriation in the amount of \$7,770,320.00 is consistent with the development of the FY24 Budget. These funds are generated by a dedicated millage rate of 0.0713 mills levied countywide. This contract reflects a decrease of \$194,020.00, or 2.5%, vs. the FY23 contract which is attributed to reduced actual costs for capital projects in FY24.

Staff Member Responsible:

Karen Yatchum, Director, Human Services

Partners:

DOH Pinellas

Attachments:

FY24 Contract