

BELL COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH



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- ▶ Promote – Prevent – Protect
- ▶ Serving those who live, work, play, and pass through Bell County, Texas



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- What is Public Health?
 - Public health's core mission is to serve and protect the public's health
- 3 Core Functions of Public Health:
 - Assessment
 - Policy Development
 - Assurance





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- Bell County Public Health Core Areas:
 - Environmental Health (OSSF, Retail Food, Vector)
 - Clinical Services & Systems (Immunizations, STDs, TB, Hepatitis B)
 - Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
 - Community Health
 - Public Health Emergency Preparedness
 - Epidemiology
 - Public Health Administration





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- FY2025 City of Killeen contribution \$345,513.22
 - Helps cover Environmental Health salaries and 25% of their benefits
- FY2026 City of Killeen contribution \$341,607.88
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- Next steps
 - Refocusing Clinical Services to Immunizations, STDs, and TB
 - Increasing focus on Public Health Emergency Preparedness
 - Rewriting the BCPH Cooperative Agreement
 - Has not been revised since 1994
 - Will include review and revision of funding from municipalities to align with the state statute Chapter 121 of the Texas Health and Safety Code
 - Will include alignment with national standards for Public Health Governance
- Identifying additional funding sources due to impact of federal funding elimination
- Excited to come back any time to provide additional information

