

LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

This budget is proposed for level-funding at \$316,606 - based on the state funding formula, a 5% reduction in local funds (\$15,830) would trigger a 5% reduction in state funds (\$22,839).

As you know, the Health Department is funded cooperatively by the county and the state. By contract with the State Health Department, our mandated local share equals approximately 42% of the balance of operating costs after other revenues are received by the Health Department. The ultimate size of the Health Department budget depends on three things: the local appropriation made by the Board, the state's appropriation, and the amount of revenue earned locally by the Health Department.

Services offered by the Department include:

Health Services

- **Maternal- Child Health:** The department offers full prenatal obstetrical and well child services. Case management services are available for high risk pregnant women and infants. A resource mothers program is offered to pregnant teens to improve pregnancy outcome and ensure the teen remains in school.
- **Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program:** The health department administers this federal supplemental food program for financially eligible pregnant women, nursing mothers, and children up to age five.
- **Family Planning:** Family Planning services are offered for men and women at each department.
- **Communicable Diseases:** Investigation of communicable disease, counseling and referral are offered. Sexually Transmitted diseases are treated on a walk-in basis in each department. Childhood immunizations and certain adult immunizations are offered at no cost. Foreign travel immunizations are available for a small fee. Immunizations are offered daily in each office and some evenings. No appointment necessary.
- **Home Care Services:** Home Health and Personal Care services are available.
- **Health Education:** The district is active in health education activities including community screenings, referral and counseling.
- **Environmental Health Services:** The Environmental services department provides site evaluation and permits for on site sewage disposal (septic systems) and wells. The department also provides inspection of restaurants, schools, day care centers, camps and festival events to insure food safety. Food workers permits are issued by the department upon demonstration of knowledge necessary to prepare and handle food safely. Other services include rabies control and information regarding environmental issues.

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ACCOUNTING PERIOD 2009/02

	----- Prior Years -----			Adopted Budget	----- Current Year ----- Actual On 2009/02	--2009/2010 Budget Year --		
	Expenditure 2005/2006	Expenditure 2006/2007	Expenditure 2007/2008			Department Request	County Admin Recommends	Adopted Budget
051100 * LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT *								
051100-5610 PAYMENT TO LOCAL HEALTH DEPT	281,540	295,617	310,398	316,606		316,606	316,606	
--TOTAL DEPARTMENT--	<u>281,540</u>	<u>295,617</u>	<u>310,398</u>	<u>316,606</u>		<u>316,606</u>	<u>316,606</u>	
TOTAL - * LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT *	<u>281,540</u>	<u>295,617</u>	<u>310,398</u>	<u>316,606</u>		<u>316,606</u>	<u>316,606</u>	
TOTAL FOR FUND	<u>281,540</u>	<u>295,617</u>	<u>310,398</u>	<u>316,606</u>		<u>316,606</u>	<u>316,606</u>	
FINAL TOTAL	<u>281,540</u>	<u>295,617</u>	<u>310,398</u>	<u>316,606</u>		<u>316,606</u>	<u>316,606</u>	

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RE: Budget Request for FY 2010

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Southampton (SH) County Health Department FY2010 budget request is respectfully submitted for your consideration. The Southampton County Department cooperative budget is comprised of State and local funds and revenues. The total budget for FY2009 is \$1,610,392 and includes \$316,606 of county funding, \$456,773 state funding, and \$873,013 revenues. In addition, the District receives over \$2,000,000 in federal funds and grants, which are used throughout the four localities.

The health department, a part of the Virginia Department of Health, has a mission to achieve and maintain personal and community health by emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, and environmental protection. The Southampton Health department provides family planning, prenatal, dental, immunization, maternal-child health, vital records, communicable disease epidemiology and control, and school health examinations. It also provides clinics for pediatrics, gynecology, WIC, sexually transmitted diseases, and pregnancy testing. Additionally we provide home health care and personal care services to SH county residents in their homes. Often, residents are homebound. They depend on SH Health Department services. The Environmental Health Division provides food protection, on-site sewage disposal, private water supplies, and rabies control programs.

Per your request, we also reviewed the impact of losing 5% of our funding. The Southampton County reduction of 5% also decreases our State funding by 5%. We would lose a total of \$38,669, to include \$15,830 of Southampton Funds and \$22,839 in State Funds. To absorb the reduction in state and local funding, our plan is to:

- Reduce or eliminate community health services that are non-mandated but partially subsidized by the district, such as Senior Services of Southeastern VA visits (formerly Sevamp), Infants and Children (WIC) program services, and Home Health and/or Personal Care Services.

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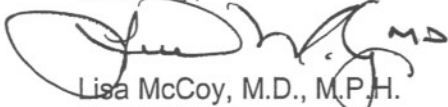
- Request payment or proof of insurance before administering certain treatments, such as rabies exposure vaccines, or else refer them to local physicians or emergency departments for services. (Each complete rabies vaccine series we administer costs the health department over \$1200.00.)
- Lay off employees
- Reduce the number of slots available for certain mandated medical clinics (immunizations, pre-natal care, sexually transmitted disease treatment, etc.)

Our current economic climate has a dramatic consequence on the Southampton citizens who need our services the most. These citizens often have nowhere to turn but to their local SH health department.

In view of the above, we are requesting continued level funding of \$316,606.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (757) 686-4901 or email me at Lisa.McCoy@vdh.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,



Lisa McCoy, M.D., M.P.H.
Health Director