



**COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION**

COURT ORDER NUMBER 144763
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DATE: 2/19/2025

**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S.
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR TARRANT
COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH TO SERVE AS A PUBLIC HEALTH
ASSOCIATE PROGRAM HOST SITE**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider the submission of an application to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) to serve as a Public Health Associate Program (PHAP) host site.

BACKGROUND

The CDC PHAP is a two-year, full-time, training program for recent college graduates interested in public health careers. The program provides early-career professionals with hands-on experience in public health settings to strengthen the public health workforce.

If accepted as a host site, TCPH will host a CDC-funded public health associate and provide:

- a workspace;
- direct supervision and mentorship to the assigned associate;
- meaningful public health projects aligned with community health needs;
- experience in various public health competency areas; and
- professional growth and development while enhancing TCPH's capacity to deliver public health services.

The CDC-funded public health associate will perform infectious disease surveillance and response, supporting TCPH's mission to protect and promote public health in Tarrant County.

If approved, TCPH will submit the PHAP host site application. Selected sites are expected to be notified of acceptance by Summer 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct cost for the associate's salary or benefits. Local travel reimbursement will be budgeted in GRANT-2004 Grants Fund/Grant F0189-23 if TCPH is accepted as a host site.

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