

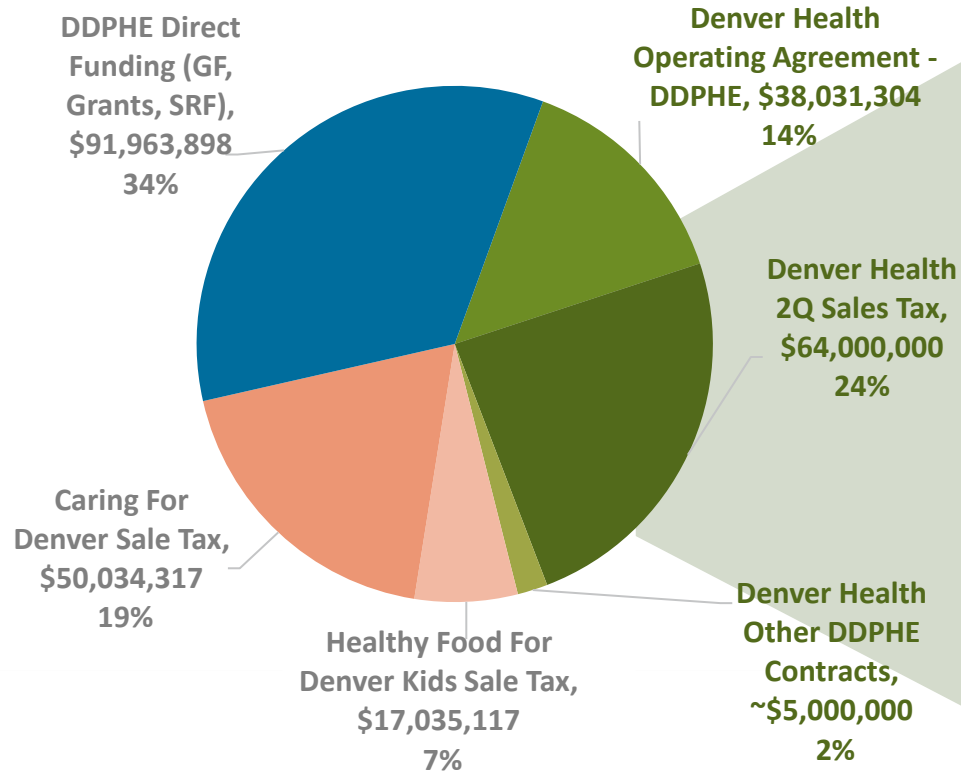
2026 Denver Health Operating Agreement

City Council Safety Committee Briefing
11/5/2025

Agenda

- Introductions
- Overview of the Operating Agreement
- Changes for 2026 contract
- Budget for 2026 contract
- Questions

2025 DDPHE Budget



DDPHE Funding to Denver Health

Source	Annual \$	Description
DHHA/ <u>DDPHE</u> Operating Agreement	\$38,031,304*	DDPHE Portion of the Operating Agreement
DHHA 2Q Sales Tax	\$64,000,000	2Q Sales Tax Fund
DHHA - Other DDPHE Contracts	~\$5,000,000	Funded by: DenverStrong, HFDK, Maternal Child Health, Opioid Stewardship, Youth Vaping, STAR, etc.
TOTALS	\$107,000,000	

*The remaining portion of the DHHA OA budget is appropriated in other agencies.

Operating Agreement Background

- The Denver Health and Hospital Authority (DHHA) formed as a state authority under statute in 1997 to operate the former Denver General Hospital.
- City and County of Denver adopted a Charter amendment in 1996 to replace the Department of Health and Hospitals with the Department of Environmental Health (now Denver Department of Public Health & Environment (DDPHE)), which retained the authority and regulatory powers of the local public health agency.
- Annual Operating Agreement outlines services DHHA provides to the City, and the City provides to DHHA.

Negotiation Schedule

Phase I: Off-cycle negotiations (Jan. - Apr.)

Phase II: Kick-off (Apr.)

Phase III: General negotiations (Apr. - Jul.)

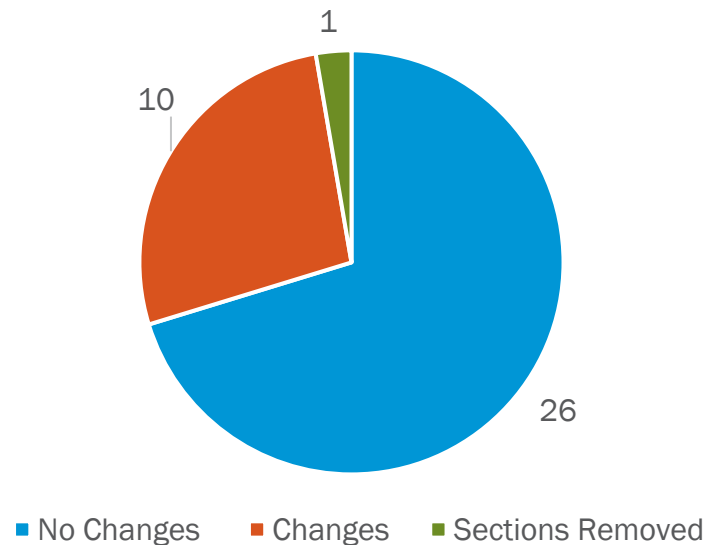
Phase IV: Budget meetings and legal drafting (Jul. - Oct.)

Phase V: City Council ordinance process (Oct. - Dec.)

2026 Contract Language Changes

- 36 services in the 2026 Operating Agreement
- Language updated in 10 sections
- Budgets were updated in 7 sections

Overview of Language Changes



2026 Operating Agreement

Highlights of Key Language Changes to Appendix A

- *Public Health Clinical Services (A-3)*
 - Better defined the scope of the immunization and travel clinic
 - Updated some metrics
- *Denver CARES (A-4)*
 - Added some metrics to the final reporting for this section

2026 Operating Agreement

Highlights of Key Language Changes to Appendix B

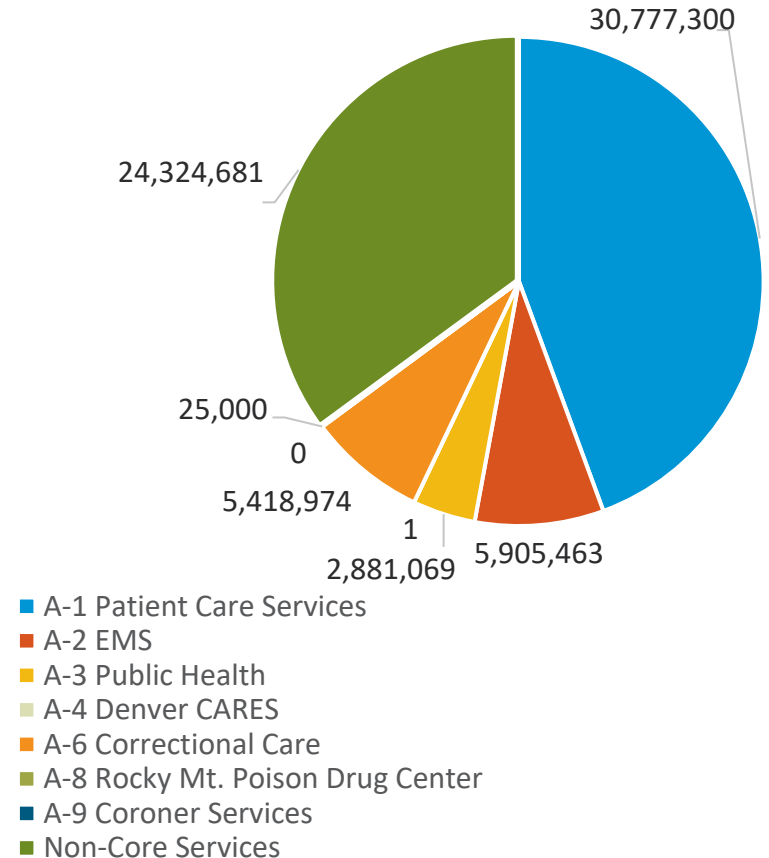
- *Park Hill Clinic (capital funding) (B.7, 1.2)*
 - Removed this section as the city has fulfilled the commitment to this capital funding agreement.
- At-Risk Intervention and Monitoring (AIM) (B.8, 1.4)
 - Clarified that this program is now overseen by the Office of Neighborhood Safety (ONS) within the Office of Social Equity & Innovation (OSEI) instead of the Department of Safety (DOS)

2026 Contract Budget

The total proposed 2026 contract amount is \$69,332,488: \$30,777,300 for Patient Care services and \$38,555,188 for other core and non-core services.

Budget includes an approximate revenue amount \$2,937,700 for city services provided to DHHA.

Core Services Budget by Section



Budget Reductions & Increases

Proposal Name	City Department	Reductions	Increases
A-2 Emergency Service Patrol	DFD	\$(558,180)	
A-2 DEN Paramedics	DEN		\$213,836
A-4 Denver CARES	DDPHE	\$(3,276,059)	
A-8 RMPDC	DDPHE	\$(115,040)	
B-3 Jail Medical Services	DSD	\$(156,946)	
B-7 Treatment on Demand	DDPHE	\$(680,721)	
B-7 Park Hill Clinic	DDPHE	\$(120,000)	
B-7 Southwestern Clinic (Pena)	DDPHE	\$(250,000)	
	TOTAL	\$(5,156,946)	\$213,836

Questions

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Appendix

Structure of Agreement

- Services are divided into Core Services and Non-Core Services
 - Core services include the Patient Care (formerly referred to as MI) Payment, Emergency Medical Services, Public Health Clinics, Denver CARES, prisoner medical services at DHHA (Correctional Care Medical Facility), etc.
 - Non-Core services include Nurseline, jail medical services, Center for Occupational Health (COSH) & OUCH Line, etc.
- City also provides services to DHHA including payroll and legal services related to Career Service Authority (CSA) employees at DHHA (total of 28 CSA employees), radio support, fuel, 911 call taker, etc.