

Association of California Healthcare Districts



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History of Healthcare Districts

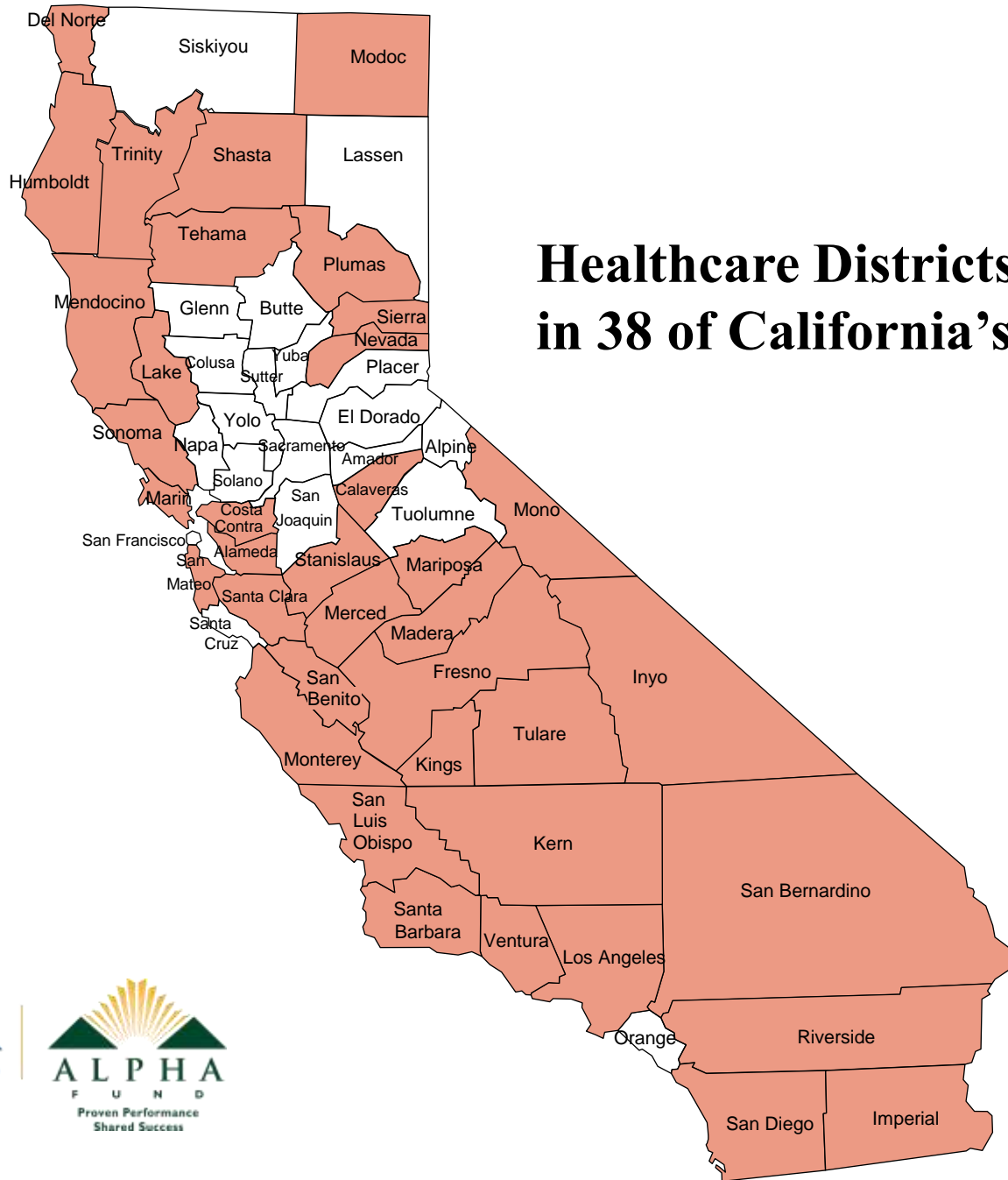
- Created Post World War II
- In 1945 the Legislature enacted the Local Hospital District Act
- First District – Sequoia Hospital District in Redwood City - 1946



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- First District to open a Hospital was Lompoc Hospital District - 1947
- State Legislature broadened the scope and renamed the statute to Health Care District Law in 1994





Healthcare Districts are located in 38 of California's 58 Counties



Healthcare Districts Today

- 78 Healthcare Districts in the State
- 43 operate hospitals / 35 do not
- 18 of the 78 Districts do not receive Property Tax revenue
- Districts provide approximately 30,000 full time jobs in California



Services provided by Districts without Hospitals

- Medical and Dental Clinics
- Skilled Nursing / Long Term Care
- 24 hour Ambulance / EMT services
- Disease Management Education
- Lifeline services
- Community Wellness support

Opportunities

Opportunities for Healthcare Districts to be leaders in improving community wellbeing are many as you will hear from the other presenters today.