



Saginaw County Opioid Settlement Fund Request for Funding Application

Organizations or groups (including for-profit, non-profit, 501c3 organizations, schools, churches and other non-profits) addressing opioid prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery are eligible for funding to support the development, implementation, enhancement, or expansion of programs. This includes programs addressing substance use disorders, polysubstance use and co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. **Saginaw County has allocated \$500,000 for fiscal year 2025. Request for Opioid Settlement Funds will be accepted on a rolling basis until all funds have been allocated. Organizations that were not initially funded during a review period may apply again during future funding quarters.** Applications must be completed online using the [Saginaw County Opioid Settlement Fund Request Application](#).

The goal of this opportunity is to serve Saginaw County through development, implementation, enhancement, or expansion of evidence-based strategies or promising practices to prevent and address the adverse impacts of the drug overdose epidemic.

Application Dates:

Quarter 2

Applications Accepted – January 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025

Review of Awards – April 2025

Recommendation to County – April 2025

Notice of Award – May 2025

Quarter 3

Applications Accepted – April 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025

[Informational Webinar – April 17, 2025, from 10:00am-11:00am](#)

Review of Awards – July 2025

Recommendation to County – July 2025

Notice of Award – August 2025

Quarter 4

Applications Accepted – July 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025

[Informational Webinar – July 22, 2025, from 10:00am – 11:00am](#)

Review of Awards – October 2025

Recommendation to County – October 2025

Notice of Award – November 2025



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Award of Funds: Organizations will be allowed to submit for the amount of funding anticipated to perform the work of the program/project.

- Organizations shall be prepared to present their funding request to the Overdose Prevention and Response Funding subcommittee.
- Given the number of requests anticipated to be received, organizations **may not** be granted the full amount of funding requested.
- If the indirect costs in exceed more than 25% of your budget, you are required to provide detailed justification.
- Organizations awarded funding are required to:
 - a. Ensure utilization of funds supplements, rather than supplants, existing funding.
 - b. Ensure all funds are used in alignment with [Exhibit E](#) and the definition of opioid remediation.
 - c. Provide an annual report and final report which includes data on program outputs, outcomes, impact, and effectiveness, to the Board of Commissioners.
 - Organizations should be prepared to provide an oral presentation to the Board of Commissioners.

Requirements:

- Proposal Priorities
 - a) Utilize funds to serve those in Saginaw County.
 - b) Focus on individuals and communities most profoundly impacted by opioid use disorder (OUD) and co-occurring substance use disorder/mental health conditions (SUD/MH)
 - c) Organizations may be requested to provide a copy of the following:
 - Articles of Incorporation
 - Bylaws
 - Budget Balance Sheet or Most recent Audit of Financials
 - Proof of Insurance
 - Licenses and Certifications

Allowable Uses of Funds & Funding Restrictions:

Specific to the J&J, Distributor, CVS, Teva, Allergan and Walmart settlements, funds must be spent on opioid remediation. Opioid Remediation is defined as,¹ Care, treatment, and other programs and expenditures (including reimbursement for past such programs or expenditures except where this

¹ <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/>



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Agreement restricts the use of funds solely to future Opioid Remediation) designed to (1) address the misuse and abuse of opioid products, (2) treat or mitigate opioid use or related disorders, or (3) mitigate other alleged effects of, including on those injured as a result of, the opioid epidemic.

Activities must meet the definition of opioid remediation, be evidence-based strategies²³ or promising practices and align with allowable uses outlined by [Exhibit E](#).⁴ These strategies include:

Core Strategies ([See Exhibit E – Schedule A: Core Strategies for More Information and Examples](#)):

1. Naloxone or other FDA-approved drug to reverse opioid overdoses.
2. Medication-assisted treatment (“mat”) distribution and other opioid-related treatment.
3. Pregnant & postpartum women
4. Expanding treatment for neonatal abstinence syndrome (“NAS”)
5. Expansion of warm hand-off programs and recovery services.
6. Treatment for incarcerated population
7. Prevention programs
8. Expanding syringe service programs
9. Evidence-based data collection and research analyzing the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

Approved Uses for Prevention, Treatment, Recovery, and Harm Reduction ([See Exhibit E – Schedule B: Approved Uses For More Information and Examples](#)):

1. Prevention/Recovery
 - Prevent over-prescribing and ensure appropriate prescribing and dispensing of opioids.
 - Prevent misuse of opioids.
 - Prevent overdose deaths and other harms (harm reduction).
2. Treatment/Recovery
 - Treat Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)

² <https://www.lac.org/assets/files/TheOpioidEbatement-v3.pdf>

³ <https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/pdf/pubs/2018-evidence-based-strategies.pdf>

⁴ <https://www.attorneygeneral.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Exhibit-E-Final-Distributor-Settlement-Agreement-8-11-21.pdf>



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- Support people in treatment and recovery.
- Connect people who need help to the help they need (connections to care)
- Address the needs of criminal justice-involved persons.
- Address the needs of pregnant or parenting women and their families, including babies with NAS.

3. Other Strategies

- Supporting first responders –
 - Training on how to respond to overdoses.
 - Support for secondary trauma for responding to overdoses.
- Leadership, planning and coordination.
- Training
- Research

Selection and Award Process

1. All proposals submitted must include the completed [online request for proposals document](#), completed detailed work plan, completed budget and budget justification, and any other requested documents.
2. Organizations shall be prepared to present their funding request to the Overdose Prevention and Response Funding subcommittee.
3. Proposals will be reviewed and scored by the Overdose Prevention and Response Funding subcommittee.

Any organization interested in requesting funds from the Opioid Settlement Fund must complete the online funding request using this link: [Saginaw County Opioid Settlement Fund Request Application](#).

Proposals may be submitted on an ongoing basis with proposals being reviewed quarterly by the Overdose Prevention and Response Funding Subcommittee. Review of proposals will occur in March, June, September, and December. Notice of award is expected to occur by the month following the quarterly review. (If your proposal was reviewed in March, you will be notified of award in April). Following the notice of award, organizations will be contacted to initiate the contract process with the County of Saginaw.



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Funding Request Review and Scoring:

All requests for funding will be scored based on the following:

1. Did the organization provide a complete application including detailed intervention description, work plans, budget, and timeframes?
 - a. The problem or issue the program/project will address is clearly stated.
 - b. Did the organization clearly describe what they need to do to accomplish their project?
 - c. Did the organization clearly describe how the project will address, prevent, or reduce overdoses in Saginaw County.
 - i. Does the intervention save lives?
 - ii. Is the intervention evidenced-based or a promising practice?
 - iii. Does the intervention invest in youth?
 - iv. Does the intervention have a focus on racial equity?
2. The funding request clearly describes the community need(s) addressed by the project.
 - a. Does the organization provide data showing the need for this program/ project?
 - b. Is the target population identified? Demographics, including socioeconomic status, gender, age, ethnicity, languages, disabilities etc., of the community being served are identified.
 - c. How the community/participants will benefit from the program/project is clearly stated.
3. The funding request clearly describes a plan for how the project will be sustained beyond the grant period both financially and operationally.
4. The funding request clearly describes the plan to measure project performance.
 - a. Data that will be collected and how it will be collected is clearly stated.



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The following information must be completed in full using the [online funding request](#) form.

Proposal Information

Organization Name: _____

Address: _____

Organization Contact: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact E-mail: _____

Program/Project Information

Program/Project Title: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Total Project Cost: _____

Project Start Date | Project End Date: _____

Organizational Description (maximum of 250 words)

1. Briefly describe your organization’s mission/vision.

Program/Project Overview:

Please select the core strategy and sub-strategy that your proposal address. Check all that apply. **Please write a SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timebound) goal statement for each sub-category you choose.**

- Naloxone or other FDA-approved drug to reverse opioid overdoses.
 - Expand training for first responders, schools, community support groups and families: **Goal Statement**
 - Increase distribution to individuals who are uninsured or whose insurance does not cover the needed service: **Goal Statement**

- Medication-assisted treatment (“mat”) distribution and other opioid-related treatment.
 - Increase distribution of MAT to individuals who are uninsured or whose insurance does not cover the needed service: **Goal Statement**
 - Provide education to school-based and youth-focused programs that discourage or prevent misuse: **Goal Statement**



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- Provide MAT education and awareness training to healthcare providers, EMTs, law enforcement, and other first responders: **Goal Statement**
- Provide treatment and recovery support services such as residential and inpatient treatment, intensive outpatient treatment, outpatient therapy or counseling, and recovery housing that allow or integrate medication and with other support services:
- Pregnant & postpartum women
 - Expand Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (“SBIRT”) services to non-Medicaid eligible or uninsured pregnant women: **Goal Statement**
 - Expand comprehensive evidence-based treatment and recovery services, including MAT, for women with co-occurring Opioid Use Disorder (“OUD”) and other Substance Use Disorder (“SUD”)/Mental Health disorders for uninsured individuals for up to 12 months postpartum: **Goal Statement**
 - Provide comprehensive wrap-around services to individuals with OUD, including housing, transportation, job placement/training, and childcare: **Goal Statement**
- Expanding treatment for neonatal abstinence syndrome (“NAS”)
 - Expand comprehensive evidence-based and recovery support for NAS babies: **Goal Statement**
 - Expand services for better continuum of care with infant need dyad: **Goal Statement**
 - Expand long-term treatment and services for medical monitoring of NAS babies and their families: **Goal Statement**
- Expansion of warm hand-off programs and recovery services.
 - Expand services such as navigators and on-call teams to begin MAT in hospital emergency departments: **Goal Statement**
 - Expand warm hand-off services to transition to recovery services: **Goal Statement**
 - Broaden scope of recovery services to include co-occurring SUD or mental health conditions: **Goal Statement**
 - Provide comprehensive wrap-around services to individuals in recovery, including housing, transportation, job placement/training, and childcare: **Goal Statement**



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- Hire additional social workers or other behavioral health workers to facilitate expansions above: **Goal Statement**

- Treatment for incarcerated population
 - Provide evidence-based treatment and recovery support, including MAT for persons with OUD and co-occurring SUD/MH disorders within and transitioning out of the criminal justice system: **Goal Statement**
 - Increase funding for jails to provide treatment to inmates with OUD: **Goal Statement**

- Prevention programs
 - Funding for media campaigns to prevent opioid use (similar to the FDA's "Real Cost" campaign to prevent youth from misusing tobacco): **Goal Statement**
 - Funding for evidence-based prevention programs in schools: **Goal Statement**
 - Funding for medical provider education and outreach regarding best prescribing practices for opioids consistent with the 2016 CDC guidelines, including providers at hospitals (academic detailing): **Goal Statement**
 - Funding for community drug disposal programs: **Goal Statement**
 - Funding and training for first responders to participate in pre-arrest diversion programs, post-overdose response teams, or similar strategies that connect at-risk individuals to behavioral health services and supports: **Goal Statement**

- Expanding syringe service programs
 - Provide comprehensive syringe services programs with more wrap-around services, including linkage to OUD treatment, access to sterile syringes and linkage to care and treatment of infectious diseases: **Goal Statement**

- Evidence-based data collection and research analyzing the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state: **Goal Statement**



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Program Description: What do you plan to do and how will you do it? Please be specific and succinct.

- What do you need to accomplish this?
- Describe how the project will address, prevent, or reduce overdoses in Saginaw County?

Community Need: Describe the community need(s) addressed by the project. Who is the target population for your project? Please provide data showing the need.

Outcomes: What outcomes will you achieve and how will these outcomes address community Needs?

Ongoing efforts and Sustainability: How will your project be sustained beyond the grant period both financially and operationally?

Evaluation: What data will you be collecting and using to measure your project/initiatives performance? Be specific on how you will measure this.

Work Plan/Timeline: What are the goals, objectives, activities, and timeframe for your project. Please complete the attached workplan template provided.

Budget: How do you plan to use these funds? Complete and attach the budget template provided. If indirect costs exceed more than 25% of your total budget, please include additional justification for this section.