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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF CHATHAM TO DIRECT THE EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS

WHEREAS Chatham County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids, including settlements with drug distributors Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen, and the drug maker Johnson & Johnson and its subsidiary Janssen Pharmaceuticals;

WHEREAS the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and certain bankruptcy resolutions (“Opioid Settlement Funds”) are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation (“MOA”);

WHEREAS Chatham County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA;

WHEREAS section E.6 of the MOA states:

E.6. Process for drawing from special revenue funds.

- a. Budget item or resolution required. Opioid Settlement Funds can be used for a purpose when the Governing Body includes in its budget or passes a separate resolution authorizing the expenditure of a stated amount of Opioid Settlement Funds for that purpose or those purposes during a specified period of time.
- b. Budget item or resolution details. The budget or resolution should (i) indicate that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; (ii) state the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy, and (iii) state the amount dedicated to each strategy for a stated period of time.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in alignment with the NC MOA, Chatham County authorizes the expenditure of opioid settlement funds as follows:

1. First strategy authorized
 - a. Name of strategy: **Collaborative Strategic Planning**
 - b. Strategy is included in **Exhibit A**
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: **Exhibit A: Strategy 1**
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: **\$120,500**

- e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date **April 1, 2023** through End date **March 31, 2024**
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: **Funding for this strategy will be used to hire an Opioid Overdose Prevention Coordinator with the Chatham County Public Health Department to oversee collaborative planning, including coordination of Sheriff's Prevention Partnership on Controlled Substances (SPPCS) and updating of SPPCS Action Plan. This will also fund the development of data reporting and tracking tools, team communications materials, and meeting facilitation and supplies.**
 - g. Provider: **Chatham County**
2. Second strategy authorized
 - a. Name of strategy: **Early Intervention**
 - b. Strategy is included in **Exhibit A**
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: **Exhibit A: Strategy 6**
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: **\$10,000**
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date **April 1, 2023** through End date **March 31, 2024**
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: **Chatham Drug Free-led education and training focused on 'early identification and intervention for children or adolescents who may be struggling with problematic use of drugs or mental health conditions.' This includes providing education focused on preventing illicit drug misuse, including identifying the signs of prescription drug misuse, the science of addiction, and strategies for talking with teens about substance use to parents.**
 - g. Provider: **Chatham Drug Free**
3. Third authorized strategy
 - a. Name of strategy: **Post-Overdose Response Teams**
 - b. Strategy is included in **Exhibit A**
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: **Exhibit A: Strategy 8**
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: **\$45,000**
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date **April 1, 2023** through End date **March 31, 2024**
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: **Establishment of a post-overdose and jail response program that includes peer support specialists**
 - g. Provider: **Chatham County**
4. Fourth authorized strategy
 - a. Name of strategy: **Reentry Programs**
 - b. Strategy is included in **Exhibit A**
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: **Exhibit A: Strategy 12**
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: **\$15,000**
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date **April 1, 2023** through End date **March 31, 2024**
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: **Support the convening of a re-entry taskforce to coordinate services for justice-involved individuals in the community and individuals who are engaged in the post-overdose program**
 - g. Provider: **Chatham County**
5. Fifth authorized strategy

- a. Name of strategy: **Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment (Medication-Assisted Therapy)**
- b. Strategy is included in **Exhibit A**
- c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: **Exhibit A: Strategy 2**
- d. Amount authorized for this strategy: **\$20,000**
- e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date **April 1, 2023** through End date **March 31, 2024**
- f. Description of the program, project, or activity: **Support a pilot partnership to provide medication-assisted therapy (MAT) in the Chatham County detention center**
- g. Provider: **Chatham County**

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above named and authorized strategies is **\$210,500**.

Adopted this the 20th day of March, 2023.

Adopted, this the ____ day of _____.

Karen Howard, Chair
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lindsay K. Ray, NCMCC, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners