



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** March 19, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Deschutes County Opioid Settlement Funds: FY26 Department Funding Requests

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval of Deschutes County Opioid Settlement Funds as discussed.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

In 2021 and 2022, nationwide settlements were reached to resolve all opioids litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions. These were against the three largest pharmaceutical distributors, McKesson, Cardinal Health, and AmerisourceBergen ("Distributors") and against manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its parent company Johnson & Johnson (collectively, "J&J"), as well as three pharmacy chains CVS, Walgreens and Walmart, and two additional manufacturers, Allergan and Teva. These National Settlements have been finalized, and payments have already begun. Agreements with additional defendants are still in process.

Deschutes County has received \$2.5 million to date and is anticipating an additional \$5.4 million through FY 2039. The following table shows projects to date that have been approved by the Board of Commissioners.

Department	Project	Timeline/ Duration	Approved Amount
Community Justice	Peer Support Contract	FY 2023 - 2028	\$160,000
Health Services	Health Initiatives: Targeted Prevention, Surveillance & Coordination Strategy; and Intervention Strategy – Stabilization Center	FY 2023 - 2028	\$2,635,196
Health Services	Increase coordination of surveillance and overdose prevention activities	FY 2024 - 2028	\$168,000
Sheriff's Office	Covers cost of one RN and fills the gap between what will be received with grant funding and the actual cost of medication administered	FY 2025	\$283,000

	through the jail's Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program. Funds ensure operation of MAT program through 6/30/25.		
	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,246,196</b>

Deschutes County Finance has established an annual process for departments to request funding from available Opioid Settlement Funds. Department staff are available to provide information about their requests and answer any questions from the Board of Commissioners. In Fiscal Year 2026, staff anticipates \$400,000 available for department requests. Departments have submitted their proposals for Fiscal Year 2026 funds, summarized below.

<b>Department</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Requested Amount</b>
Community Justice Adult Parole & Probation*	Support sober housing beds for justice-involved individuals in substance use treatment.	\$50,000
Community Justice Juvenile*	\$50,000 for Juvenile Peer Recovery Mentor Program; \$50,000 to Support Staff Time for SUB Treatment for Youth.	\$100,000
Health Services*	Deschutes County Stabilization Center.	\$320,000
Health Services*	Naloxone or Other FDA-approved Drug to Reverse Opioid Overdoses- Increase distribution to individuals who are uninsured or whose insurance does not cover needed service.	\$30,000
Sheriff's Office	To cover the gap between what will be received with grant funding and the actual cost of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) medication. This will help to continue the MAT program through FY26.	\$30,000
<b>Total FY26 Requests</b>		<b>\$530,000</b>

\*Department Request Memo attached

#### **BUDGET IMPACTS:**

Approved allocations will be incorporated into the FY 2026 budget.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Trevor Stephens, Community Justice Business Manager  
Holly Harris, Health Services Deputy Director  
Jessica Vanderpool, Sheriff's Office Management Analyst  
Eden Aldrich, Sheriff's Office Medical Director  
Captain Shultz, Sheriff's Office  
Cam Sparks, Budget and Financial Planning Manager  
Laura Skundrick, Finance Management Analyst