



AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: March 11, 2026

SUBJECT: Deschutes County Opioid Settlement Funds: FY27 Department Funding Requests

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of Deschutes County Opioid Settlement Funds as discussed.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Starting in 2021, 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. In Fiscal Year 2026, Deschutes County was notified of two additional settlements, Purdue/Sackler and Group of 8. These national settlements have been finalized, and payments have already begun. Agreements with additional defendants are still in process.

Deschutes County has received just under \$3 million to date and is anticipating an additional \$6.4 million through FY 2039. The following table shows projects to date that have been approved by the Deschutes County 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

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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 through the jail's Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program. Funds ensure operation of MAT program through 6/30/25.	FY 2025	\$283,000
Community Justice Adult Parole & Probation*	Support sober housing beds for justice-involved individuals in substance use treatment.	FY 2026	\$37,000
Community Justice Juvenile*	\$50,000 for Juvenile Peer Recovery Mentor Program; \$50,000 to Support Staff Time for SUB Treatment for Youth.	FY 2026	\$74,000
Health Services*	Deschutes County Stabilization Center.	FY 2026	\$236,800
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.	FY 2026	\$22,200
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.	FY 2026	\$30,000
	Total		\$3,646,196

Additionally, the City of Redmond has diverted their Opioid Settlement Dollars to the County and has requested that all funds be directed to the Deschutes County Crisis Stabilization Center. To date the diverted funds that have been directed to the Crisis Stabilization Center are approximately \$179,000 and the County is anticipating future funds of approximately \$318,000 through FY39.

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 2027, staff anticipates \$400,000 available for department requests. Departments have submitted their proposals for Fiscal Year 2027 funds, summarized below. Proposal memos are attached to this memo.

FY 2027 Department Requests

Department	Project	Requested Amount
Community Justice Adult Parole & Probation	Support sober housing beds for justice-involved individuals in substance use treatment (\$50,000); bus passes (\$10,000)	\$60,000
Health Services	\$70,000 Re-allocation request	
Health Services	Remaining uncovered Naloxone needs	\$37,030
Sheriff's Office	One (1) DCSO Corrections Registered Nurse (\$250,000) and purchase of Narcan for Patrol and Corrections Divisions, as well as other Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) medication	\$270,000
Total FY26 Requests		\$367,030

BUDGET IMPACTS:

Approved allocations will be incorporated into the FY 2027 budget.

ATTENDANCE:

Deevy Holcomb, Director, Community Justice
Trevor Stephens, Business Manager, Community Justice
Holly Harris, Director, Health Services
Cheryl Smallman, Deputy Director, Health Services
Michael Gill, Lieutenant, Sheriff's Office
Jeff Price, Business Manager, Sheriff's Office
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