

Opioid Settlement Grant Program


City Council Study Session

September 19, 2023






Background

- OAG settled the State's litigation against 3 opioid distributors (McKesson, Cardinal Health, and Amerisource Bergen)
 - Non-litigating “primary subdivisions” eligible to receive funding from the \$22 million in Distributor Settlement Proceeds
 - August 23, 2022 – Council elected to participate in the Distributor's Oklahoma settlement – a prerequisite to be eligible for funding
 - Amount of funding to be determined by the State's Opioid Abatement Board
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Background



- OAG settled the State's litigation against manufacturers, distributors, and retailers (CVS, Wal-Mart, Walgreens, Allergan, and Teva)
 - Settlement proceeds of more than \$220 million to be distributed based on distribution rules developed by the OAG and approved by the State Opioid Abatement Board
 - April 13, 2023: Council elected to agree to the terms of the settlement, a prerequisite for receiving any distributions
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Notice of Funding Opportunity


- August 28, 2023: OAG announced Funding Opportunity from the Opioid Abatement Board for \$23 million in grants
 - September 27, 2023: Letters of intent to seek an opioid grant are due by 5pm
 - Late October: Grant applications due
 - Estimated Award Date: Dec 2023/Jan 2024
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Eligibility for Funding


- Only counties, incorporated municipalities, public school districts, career tech districts, and public trusts benefitting these entities are eligible to apply
- Applicants must demonstrate:
 - Strong use of funds for abatement
 - Need for funds
 - Capacity for implementation
 - Evidence base for proposed projects, and
 - Community partnership and support

Source: Notice of Intent to Issue Funding Opportunity




Eligibility for Funding



- Political Subdivisions Opioid Abatement Grants Act (74 Okla. Stat. 30.3 et seq.)
 - “Approved purpose” - Evidence-based, forward-looking strategies, programming and services related to treatment and prevention of opioid use/abuse
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Eligibility for Funding

- OAG to provide application
 - Opioid Abatement Board will review applications and allocate funds
 - Must be for an “approved purpose”
 - Allocation based on the following:
 - # of people per capita suffering from opioid use disorder
 - # of opioid overdose deaths
 - Amount of attorney fees and allowable expenses associated with opioid litigation
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Possible Applications

- Oklahoma Parent Child Assistance Program (<https://www.ou.edu/pcap>)
 - Services pregnant and parenting women with opioid and substance use disorders
 - 3 years of intensive case management and home visitation
 - Other applications could possibly be submitted in partnership with non-profits – Need to develop a submittal process quickly – Grant application due in late October
 - City will be required to memorialize utilization/expenditure by formal action
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Next Steps

- Draft a resolution for Council consideration next Tuesday authorizing Staff to submit a letter of intent
 - Solicit and/or begin gathering information to support possible grant application(s)
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