

Opioid Settlement Fund Uses and Relationship to Municipal Departments



Opioid settlement funds may be used for the following approved strategies across core city/town functions.
Working together across departments to prevent overdose, save lives, and support recovery.

APPROVED USES OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS (Strategic Categories)	CITY/TOWN DEPARTMENTS Illustrative Departments and Roles									
	Public Health	Public Safety (Police, EMS, Fire)	Social Services (Human Services)	Youth & Education (Schools, Youth Services)	Parks & Recreation	Planning & Community Development	Finance & Procurement	Courts & Legal	Communications & Outreach	All Departments & Community Partners
PREVENTION Prevent opioid misuse before it starts through education, awareness, and community-based programs.	✓			✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
OVERDOSE PREVENTION Reduce the risks and consequences of opioid use and prevent fatal overdoses.	✓	✓	✓	✓						✓
TREATMENT & RECOVERY SUPPORTS Link people to evidence-based treatment and support long-term recovery and well-being.	✓		✓	✓	✓					✓
SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES & COMMUNITIES Strengthen families and communities impacted by opioid use.			✓	✓		✓				✓
CRIMINAL JUSTICE INVOLVEMENT Support people at all points of the justice system to reduce opioid use and overdose.		✓	✓					✓	✓	✓
ADDRESSING SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH Invest in conditions that support health, opportunity, and equity.	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓
DATA, EVALUATION & CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT Use data and evidence to guide decisions, improve outcomes, and ensure accountability.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

This crosswalk shows how opioid settlement funds can be used across municipal departments to align efforts, maximize resources, and create healthier, safer communities.