

### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND OPIOID SETTLEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:	Ana P. Novais, Acting Secretary, Executive Office of Health and Human Services				
FROM:	Carrie Bridges Feliz, Chair, Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee				
CC:	Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee Members				
DATE:	July 25, 2022				
SUBJECT:	Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee Official SFY2023 Recommendations				
ATTACHMENT(S):	1. Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee: State Fiscal Year 2023 Funding				
	Recommendations				
	2. Record of Committee Vote at the July 21, 2022 Meeting				

In accordance with the Rhode Island Memorandum of Understanding Between The State and Cities and Towns Receiving Opioid Settlement Funds, Section V.F.1, I am reporting the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee's formal recommendations for the use of the State Fiscal Year 2023 \$20M statewide abatement share.

At the July 21, 2022, meeting, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the attached State Fiscal Year 2023 Funding Recommendations, with two caveats:

- 1. The Committee recommends that all procurements are explicit about our collective focus on equity. To ensure we serve a diverse population, whenever possible, settlement fund awardees must collect and report demographic information like race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, geographic location, etc.
- 2. The Committee also amended the initial phrasing of the Funding Recommendations to expand prevention activities to include both schools and community-based or grassroots organizations, to ensure that all Rhode Island youth (not just those in school) are better served.

To reach these recommendations, the Committee reviewed input from the Governor's Overdose Prevention and Intervention Task Force (GOTF), the GOTF working groups, the June 8<sup>th</sup> GOTF meeting, the Community Engagement Survey issued by EOHHS, open letters from community partners, presentations from Committee members with subject matter expertise, public comment, presentations from the EOHHS team, and your July 18<sup>th</sup> letter to Committee members. <u>All of our reference materials can be found on the EOHHS website</u>.

You will find a copy of the Committee's recommendations and a record of members' votes attached.

# **Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee: State Fiscal Year 2023 Funding Recommendations**

\$18.75M Allocated below + \$1.25M for Governance = \$20M Total

	\$3.45M, 17%	\$4.5M, 23%	\$2.8M, 14%	\$2.0M, 10%	\$6.0M, 30%		
	Social Determinants	Harm Reduction	Treatment	Recovery	Prevention		
Evidence-Based Activity	First Responder/Peer Recovery Specialist Trauma Supports (\$1.0 M)	Expanded Street Outreach–Including Undocumented Resident Engagement (\$1.5 M)	BIPOC Industry Workers and Chronic Pain Treatment and Prevention (\$500,000)	Recovery Capital and Supports—Including Family Recovery Supports (\$900,000)	Enhanced Surveillance and Communications (e.g., Race/Ethnicity Data and Multilingual Media) (\$1.0 M)		
ldentified Funding Need	Basic Needs Provision for High-Risk Clients and Community Members (\$700,000)	Harm Reduction Centers Infrastructure and Technologies (\$2.25 M)	Bricks & Mortar Facility Investments, Treatment On- Demand, and Contingency Management (\$1.5 M)	Substance-Exposed Newborns Interventions and Infrastructure (\$600,000)	Youth Behavioral Health Prevention in Schools and Communities (\$4.0 M)		
Requires Additional Coordination	Housing Capital, Operating, and Services for High-Risk Communities (\$1.75 M)	Alternative Post-Overdose Engagement Strategies (\$750,000)	Additional SUD Provider Investments (\$800,000)	Recovery Housing Incentives (\$500,000)	Non-Profit Capacity Building and Technical Assistance (\$1.0 M)		
Thursday, July 21, 2022							



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## **RECORD OF COMMITTEE VOTE:**

Thursday, July 21, 2022

**Item Presented for Committee Vote:** Recommended Draft Funding Approach for State Fiscal Year 2023 Opioid Settlement Funds Submitted for Committee Approval, with the following edits:

- I. Ensure all RFPs are explicit about our focus on equity. To ensure we serve a diverse population, awardees must collect and report demographic information like race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, geographic location, etc.
- II. Re: "Project Success Expansion for School Mental Health (\$4.0 M)": Broaden the targeted prevention entities as both school and community based and including grass roots organizations to ensure that all Rhode Island youth (not just those in school) are better served.
- Chair (Non-Voting):
- Voting Members Required for a Quorum:
- Voting Members Present:

Carrie Bridges Feliz (Present) 9 / Simple Majority 14

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	MEMBER NAME	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
State Representatives	Deputy Attorney General Adi Goldstein	Х			
	Julie Hamil	Х			
	Director Richard Charest	Х			
	Dr. Philip A. Chan				Х
	Senator Josh Miller	Х			
	Representative John Edwards				Х
County Representatives	Laurie Moïse Sears				Х
	Kate Michaud	Х			
	Robert Houghtaling	Х			
	Joseph Pratt	Х			
	Todd Manni	Х			
	Chief Matthew Moynihan	Х			
Expert Representatives	Dennis Bailer	Х			
	Dr. Justin Berk	Х			
	Dr. Brandon Marshall	Х			
Community Representatives	Angela Ankoma	Х			
	Ernesto Figueroa	Х			
TOTALS:		14	0	0	3

Final Decision:

Approved D Rejected

□ Changes or Additional Review Required

Recorded By: Gering, Catherine (EOHHS)