

North Carolina is set to receive **\$1.6 billion** from the national opioid settlements, with **85%** of these funds going directly to local governments. Before spending any opioid settlement dollars, local governments must approve and share spending plans with details on strategies they intend to fund. **Exhibit A strategies** are high-impact strategies that address the opioid overdose epidemic. **Exhibit B strategies** are from the national settlement agreements and are available once a local government first engages in a **Collaborative Strategic Planning process**. Local governments must report annually to CORE-NC on opioid settlement funds received and spent, along with the impact of those funds. Below is a summary for this community.

Columbus County

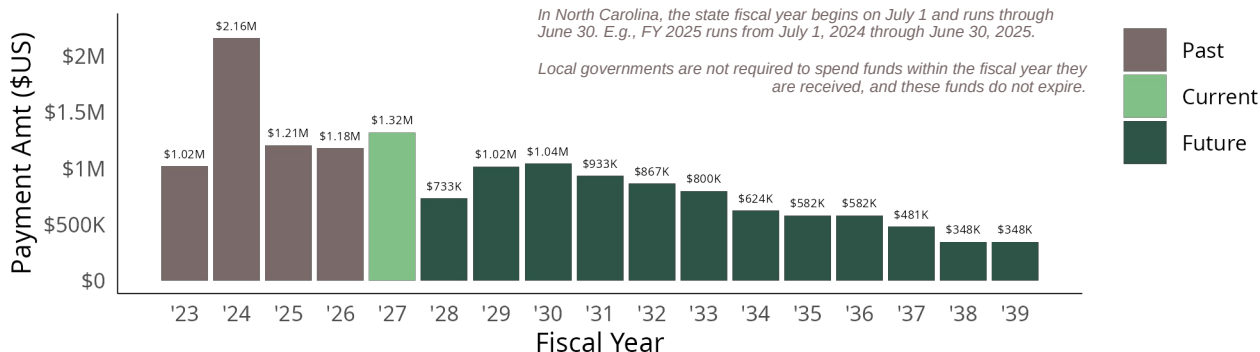
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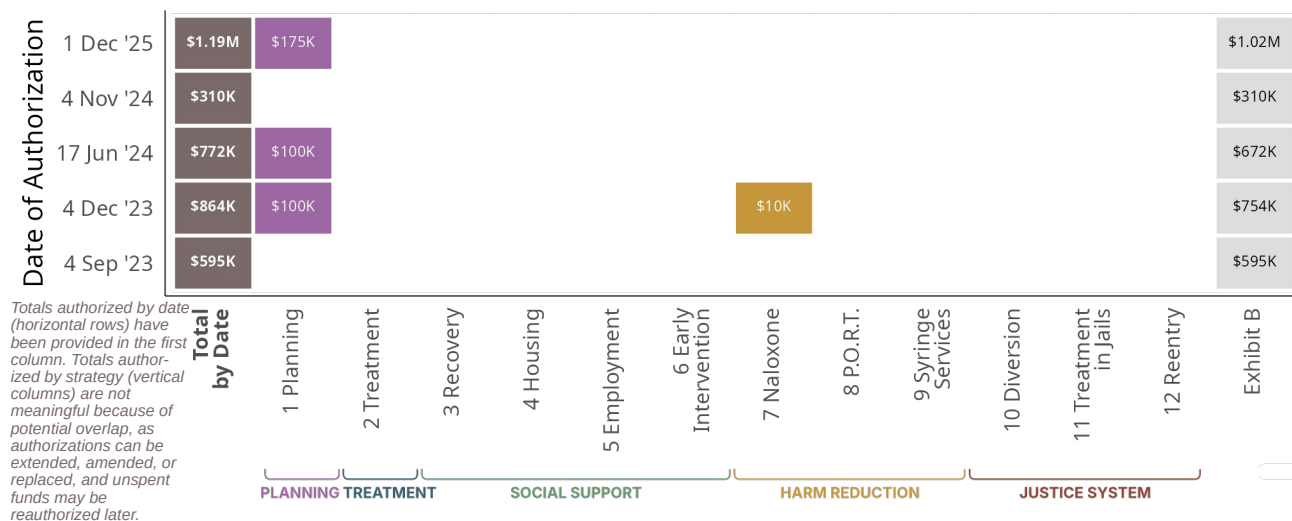
PAYMENTS

Columbus County is set to receive approximately **\$15.2M** in opioid settlement funds from 2022 through 2038. They have received **\$5.56M** through June 2026 with **\$9.68M** more anticipated.



SPENDING PLANS

Columbus County has approved and shared **5** spending plans authorizing **11** unique strategies as of June 15, 2026.



Local governments must approve and share **spending plans** before spending opioid settlement funds. Local governments may not spend more than they have approved, though they may spend less.





Columbus County has spent **\$869K** on one **Exhibit A strategy** and **9** unique **Exhibit B strategies** as of June 2025.

TOP LOCAL STRATEGIES

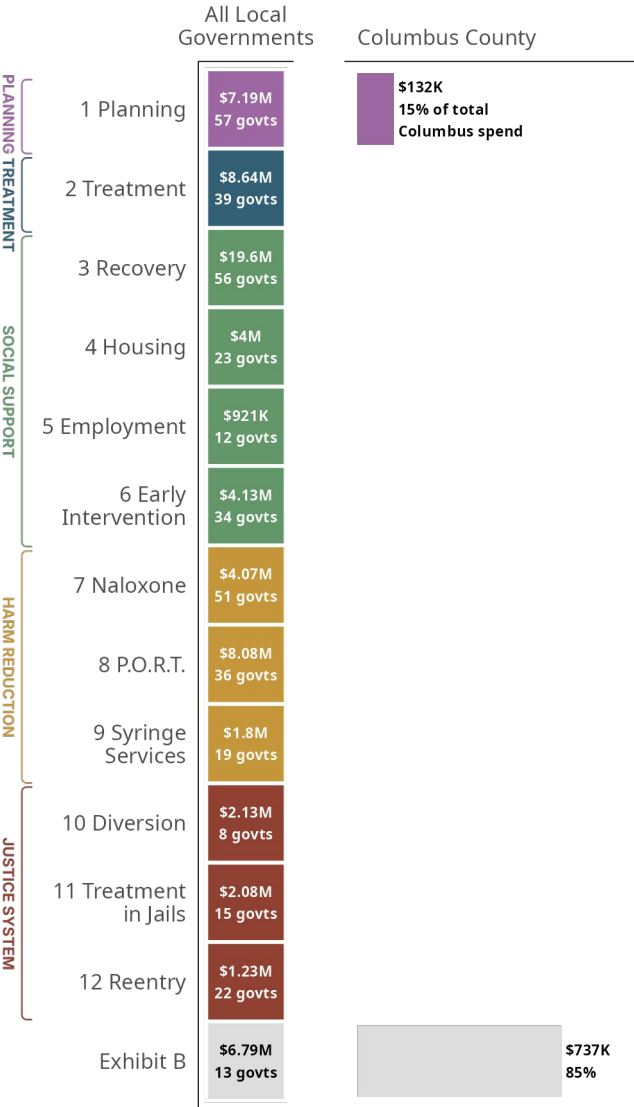
Columbus County's most-funded strategies are:

- **Exhibit B Strategy: \$737K.**
- **Collaborative Strategic Planning: \$132K.**

TOP LOCAL STRATEGIES
ACROSS NORTH CAROLINA

Local governments in **North Carolina** have collectively spent **\$70.7M**; the three most locally-funded strategies across North Carolina are:

- **Recovery Support Services: 56** governments have spent a total of **\$19.6M**.
- **Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment: 39** governments have spent a total of **\$8.64M**.
- **Post-Overdose Response Team: 36** governments have spent a total of **\$8.08M**.



Spending through June 2025

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