

**A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF WAKE
TO DIRECT THE EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS**

WHEREAS Wake County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids;

WHEREAS the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and certain bankruptcy resolutions (“Opioid Settlement Funds”) are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation (“MOA”);

WHEREAS Wake County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA;

WHEREAS section E.6 of the MOA states:

E.6. Process for drawing from special revenue funds.

- a. Budget item or resolution required. Opioid Settlement Funds can be used for a purpose when the Governing Body includes in its budget or passes a separate resolution authorizing the expenditure of a stated amount of Opioid Settlement Funds for that purpose or those purposes during a specified period of time.
- b. Budget item or resolution details. The budget or resolution should (i) indicate that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; (ii) state the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy, and (iii) state the amount dedicated to each strategy for a stated period of time.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in alignment with the NC MOA, Wake County authorizes the expenditure of opioid settlement funds as follows:

1. First strategy authorized
 - a. Name of strategy: Evidence-based addiction treatment
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: 2
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$1,700,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: support evidence-based addiction treatment for individuals with opioid use disorders in community-based programs and individuals incarcerated in the Wake County Detention Center.
2. Second authorized strategy
 - a. Name of strategy: Recovery support services
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A

- c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: 3
 - d. Amounted authorized for this strategy: \$600,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Provide resources for care navigators, peer support specialist and treatment providers to assist people in recovery or that use drugs in accessing addiction treatment, harm reduction services, primary healthcare or other services or supports they need to improve their health or well-being.
3. Third authorized strategy
- a. Name of strategy: Care navigation
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: 3
 - d. Amounted authorized for this strategy: \$1,200,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Fund peer support specialists or care navigators based in local health departments, social service offices, detention facilities, community-based organizations and other settings that support people in treatment or recover or people who use drugs.
4. Fourth authorized strategy
- a. Name of strategy: Housing access and support
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: 4
 - d. Amounted authorized for this strategy: \$750,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Support programs offering recovery housing support to people in treatment or recovery, or people who use drugs, such as assistance with rent, move-in deposits, or utilities.
5. Fifth authorized strategy
- a. Name of strategy: Early identification and intervention
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: 6
 - d. Amounted authorized for this strategy: \$600,000
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Fund programs, services or training to encourage early identification and intervention for children or adolescents who may be struggling with problematic use of drugs or mental health conditions. Training programs may target parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health or human service professional or others in contact with children or adolescents.
6. Sixth strategy authorized
- a. Name of strategy: Collaborative Strategic Planning

- b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A.
- c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: 1
- d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$175,000
- e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024
- f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Support program staff position and start-up costs associated with program implementation.

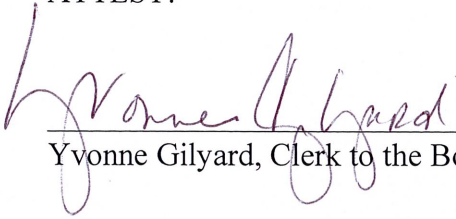
The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above named and authorized strategies is \$5,025,000.

Adopted this the 20th day of March, 2023



Shinica Thomas, Chair
Wake County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Yvonne Gilyard, Clerk to the Board

COUNTY SEAL

