

Opioid Settlement Fund December 2025 Budget Report

Overview:

The state of North Dakota, through the Attorney General, has reached court-approved settlements with opioid manufacturers and distributors.

Total Opioid Settlement received by North Dakota as of 12/31/2025: **\$26,609,661.12**
Interest through December 2025: \$64,111.30

Approximately \$43.3 million in additional settlement dollars are anticipated. There are also additional settlements, like the Purdue/Sackler settlement, that are in approval process and have the potential to provide a considerable amount of additional opioid settlement funds. Some additional minor settlements are possible.

During the 2023 Legislative Session, HB 1447, later codified as NDCC 50-36, appropriated eight million dollars of the opioid settlement fund to the ND Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) each biennium. The funds are being administered by DHHS Behavioral Health Division (BHD). At least twenty percent of the funds must be used for opioid use prevention and overdose prevention, including best practices relating to fentanyl drug overdose, and approved use for workforce development.

Additionally, NDCC 50-36 outlines the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee including committee members and responsibility. The committee shall forward recommendations to the department on spending decisions of the legislatively appropriated funds for remediation or abatement of the opioid crisis in this state.

Chapter 50-36-02 created in the state treasury an opioid settlement fund. Moneys recovered by the state as a result of opioid litigation must be deposited in the fund. The state investment board shall invest moneys in the fund and income earned on the moneys in the fund must be credited to the fund. As of December 2025, **\$1,252,875** has been reported as investment revenue.

Status of the Opioid Settlement Fund 2023-2025 Biennium:

The Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee voted on the use of the \$8,000,000 allocated to the department for the 2023-2025 biennium. BHD issued the ND Opioid Settlement Funding (OSF) Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity in November 2023 and awarded 14 applicants.

Total available funds: \$8,000,000		
Item	Allocated	Final Expenditures
Purchasing Narcan (nasal naloxone)	\$635,380.00	\$634,834.00
Supporting tribal implementation of prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery activities focusing on opioid (mis)use	\$310,833.00	\$305,416.54
Opioid Settlement Fund Grant	\$7,053,787.00	\$6,705,993.26
Travel and Administration of Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee meetings		\$1,841.49
Total	\$8,000,000.00	\$7,648,085.29

NDCC 50-36-05 requires 20% of the funds must be used for opioid use prevention and overdose prevention, including best practices relating to fentanyl drug overdose, and approved use for workforce development. For these uses \$2,081,128.33 was expended in the 2023-2025 biennium.

Status of the Opioid Settlement Fund 2025-2027 Biennium:

The Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee voted on the use of the \$8,000,000 allocated to the department for the 2025-2027 biennium. On April 3, 2025, BHD announced the ND OSF Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity. Eighteen applications were awarded for a total of \$7,999,926. Contracts began July 1, 2025.

Total available funds: \$8,000,000		
Item	Allocated	Expended as of 12/5/2025
Opioid Settlement Fund Grant	\$7,999,926.00	\$1,350,432.82

NDCC 50-36-05 requires 20% of the funds must be used for opioid use prevention and overdose prevention, including best practices relating to fentanyl drug overdose, and approved use for workforce development. Of the total grant awards, \$3,516,443.00 is allocated for this purpose and as of 12/31/2025 \$660,328.53 has been expended.

Political subdivision funding and allocation plans:

NDCC 50-36 states, “A political subdivision that recovers moneys as a result of opioid litigation may deposit the moneys in the fund or may retain the moneys and transfer the moneys to the public health unit that provides services to that political subdivision” and “All political subdivisions shall provide an allocation plan to the behavioral health division prior to expenditure.”

An allocation plan has been submitted for 52 of the 61 applicable political subdivisions in partnership with their Local Public Health Unit.

Eligible Political Subdivision	Total payments as of 12/4/2025 **	Date most recent allocation plan was received by BHD
Adams County	\$14,039.05	7/29/2025
Barnes County	\$49,834.55	10/18/2023
Benson County	\$35,426.23	8/4/2025
Billings County	\$2,282.76	7/29/2025
Bismarck	\$338,292.36	8/5/2025
Bottineau County	\$10,868.65	
<i>Bowman County*</i>	\$0.00	NA
Burke County	\$5,759.69	
Burleigh County	\$254,657.48	
Cass County	\$397,911.20	3/30/2023
<i>Cavalier County*</i>	\$0.00	NA
Devils Lake	\$15,567.90	8/4/2025
Dickey County	\$26,062.36	8/1/2025
Dickinson	\$45,437.89	7/29/2025
Divide County	\$3,188.55	
Dunn County	\$21,562.75	6/8/2025
Eddy County	\$9,574.50	8/4/2025
Emmons County	\$11,952.83	7/1/2025
Fargo	\$552,818.92	3/30/2023
Foster County	\$16,925.54	10/18/2024
Golden Valley Co.	\$9,792.24	7/29/2025
Grand Forks	\$309,413.54	10/30/2023
Grand Forks County	\$234,807.55	10/30/2023
Grant County	\$8,997.17	7/11/2025
Griggs County	\$8,910.38	
Hettinger County	\$9,010.32	7/29/2025
Jamestown	\$30,187.90	7/31/2023
Kidder County	\$13,213.60	7/14/2025
LaMoure County	\$13,047.31	5/15/2024
Lisbon	\$5,897.89	8/8/2024
Logan County	\$7,053.47	11/23/2023
Mandan	\$48,401.46	7/11/2025

Eligible Political Subdivision	Total payments as of 12/4/2025**	Date most recent allocation plan was received by BHD
<i>Mchenry County*</i>	\$0.00	NA
Mcintosh County	\$12,333.89	3/15/2024
Mckenzie County	\$52,912.11	7/2/2024
Mclean County	\$48,924.59	
Mercer County	\$48,307.54	7/11/2025
Minot	\$124,236.60	12/19/2024
Morton County	\$114,756.56	7/11/2025
Mountrail County	\$47,885.60	7/15/2025
Nelson County	\$20,373.94	
Oliver County	\$9,575.65	7/11/2025
Pembina County	\$53,846.58	7/15/2025
Pierce County	\$31,304.83	8/4/2025
Ramsey County	\$54,724.76	8/4/2025
Ransom County	\$26,573.80	2/4/2025
Renville County	\$4,736.92	
Richland County	\$104,467.94	8/1/2025
Rolette County	\$78,204.45	2/20/2025
Sargent County	\$24,811.82	11/22/2023
Sheridan County	\$3,849.98	
Sioux County	\$28,647.46	7/11/2025
Slope County	\$2,023.70	7/29/2025
Stark County	\$144,078.23	7/29/2025
Steele County	\$10,463.92	11/20/2023
Stutsman County	\$84,911.97	11/23/2023
Towner County	\$7,767.54	7/10/2024
Traill County	\$45,499.48	11/21/2023
Walsh County	\$88,187.60	8/6/2024
Ward County	\$149,764.12	12/19/2024
Wells County	\$18,679.15	11/21/2023
West Fargo	\$79,145.68	3/20/2023
Williams County	\$99,130.01	12/3/2024
Williston	\$64,534.12	12/3/2024

*Subdivision did not participate in settlement

TOTAL SUBDIVISIONS PAYMENTS	\$4,195,556.58**
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**Amounts based on notices received by AG's office and may not reflect official numbers.

To view more regarding the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee, opioid settlement grant opportunities, or the political subdivisions allocation plans visit

www.hhs.nd.gov/opioids/settlement.

Opioid Settlement Fund Grantees By Biennium

23-25 Biennium Opioid Settlement Fund Grantees:

- Central Valley Health District
- Community Connect Providers
- Community Medical Services
- Endeavor Sober Living
- First District Health Unit
- Heartview Foundation
- Nelson-Griggs District Health Unit
- North Dakota State University Opioid and Naloxone Education (ONE) Program
- Northeast Central Judicial District Drug Court
- Richland County Treatment Court
- Sanford Medical Center Fargo
- Training Academy of Addiction Professionals /Heartview Foundation
- USpireND – Healthy Families North Dakota
- Valley City Public School

25-27 Biennium Opioid Settlement Fund Grantees:

- Heartview Foundation
- ND Training Academy for Addiction Professionals (TAAP)
- North Dakota State University ONE Program
- Goldfinch Health
- Family HealthCare
- USpireND - Healthy Families North Dakota
- Southwest Multi-County Correction Center
- South Central Judicial District Drug Court
- Northeast Central Judicial District Drug Court
- North Central Judicial District Drug Court
- First District Health Unit
- Rolette County Public Health District
- Ward County Detention Center
- MHA Sober Living Program
- Providence House Minot LLC
- Community Medical Services