



# BURLEIGH COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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## Opioid Settlement Funds

### County of Burleigh Allocation Plan

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## Background

In accordance with North Dakota Century Code 50-36-06, Burleigh County is collaborating with Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health to develop and implement a strategy for allocating opioid settlement funds to support local efforts that remediate and abate the opioid crisis.

### **Burleigh Morton Detention Center Medicated Assisted Treatment Program.**

The Burleigh Morton Detention Center is a 555-bed facility operated by the Burleigh County Sheriff's Department. Currently the Burleigh Morton Detention Center only provides medicated assisted treatment (MAT) services to inmates that are currently enrolled in a MAT program when they arrive/are booked into the Burleigh Morton Detention Center and provide medical assisted withdrawal protocols.

The Burleigh Morton Detention Center received funding through the North Dakota Department of Correction & Rehabilitation's Correctional Facility Grant Program. This funding is being utilized to hire an additional nurse to become a Medicated Assisted Treatment Coordinator for the Burleigh Morton Detention Center. The MAT Coordinator will expand the current MAT program to include induction of MAT and developing partnerships with the local community providers and Bismarck/Burleigh Public Health. These partnerships will assist with warm handoffs and care transitions for continuing care after release from the Burleigh Morton Detention Center. Additional duties of the MAT coordinator will be to maximize the usage of the NDHHS SUD voucher program to identify eligible participants and develop a partnership with the NDSU One Program to provide opioid risk reduction efforts and support reentry.

In December of 2025, The Burleigh County Commission approved the Burleigh Morton Detention Center to utilize the Burleigh County opioid settlement funds to support and sustain the Medicated Assisted Treatment Program at the Burleigh Morton Detention Center.

Updates will be provided to NDDOCR, BBPH and NDDHHS as progress is made and milestones are achieved.

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