



# Opioid Settlement Funding

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## National Opioid Settlement Dollars

15% - Local  
Subdivisions

85% - State

\$23,245,950.57\* from Jul. 2023 - May 2025

### State Opioid Settlement Fund

Earnings on investment **\$701,767.00** (Aug. 2024 – May 2025)

Interest earned **\$46,197.78** (Jan. 2024 – Jun. 2025)

**Expenditures**  
**\$7,648,085.29**  
Jul. 2023 – Jun. 2025

**State Opioid Settlement Fund Balance as of August 7, 2025**

**\$16,345,830.06**

*\*AG's office may have more up to date numbers*



# Opioid Settlement Funding

2023-2025



# Funding overview

2023-2025 Biennium

**Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated to DHHS for 23-25 Biennium = \$8,000,000**

Item	Planned	TOTAL Expended	PERCENT Expended
Enhance tribal implementation of SOR funded efforts	\$310,833.00	\$305,416.50	98%
Narcan purchasing	\$634,834.00	\$634,834.00	100%
Opioid Settlement Fund (OSF) Grant	\$7,053,787.00	\$6,705,993.30	95%
Administration	-	\$1,841.49	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,999,454.00</b>	<b>\$7,648,085.29</b>	<b>96%</b>

# 20% set-aside

*2023-2025 Biennium*

NDCC 50-36-05 “at least twenty percent [must be used] for opioid use prevention and overdose prevention, including best practices relating to fentanyl drug overdose, and approved use for workforce development.”

**20% = \$2,000,000**

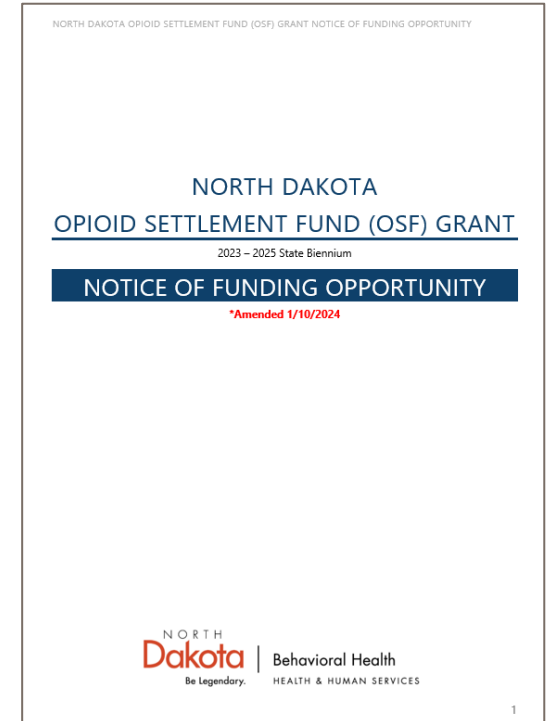
Item	Spend
Valley City Public School	\$107,373.34
Heartview/TAAP – Statewide	\$613,002
Sanford - Fargo Medical Center	\$316,897.81
Nelson-Griggs	\$21,600.00
ONE Program – Tribes	\$82,004.68
Enhance tribal implementation of SOR funded efforts	\$305,416.50
Narcan (naloxone)	\$634,834.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,081,128.33</b>

# OSF Grant Overview

*2023-2025 Biennium*

**Number grantees: 14**

**Grant initiative:** Address opioid and substance use disorder across North Dakota through prevention, harm reduction, treatment, recovery, and workforce development.



# OSF Grant Outcomes

*2023-2025 Biennium*

## **Expanded Access to Treatment and Recovery Services**

- Nearly 3,500 individuals were directly engaged with treatment and recovery services
- Services were delivered statewide, including rural areas, and justice-involved populations
- 2 new outpatient programs established
- 1 recovery house established
- 10 mothers reported reunification with their children through recovery housing.

## **Overdose Prevention**

- Over 12,000 fentanyl and xylazine test strips and 600 naloxone kits distributed.
- Tribal programs collected 393lbs of unused medications and installed 180 ONE Boxes.

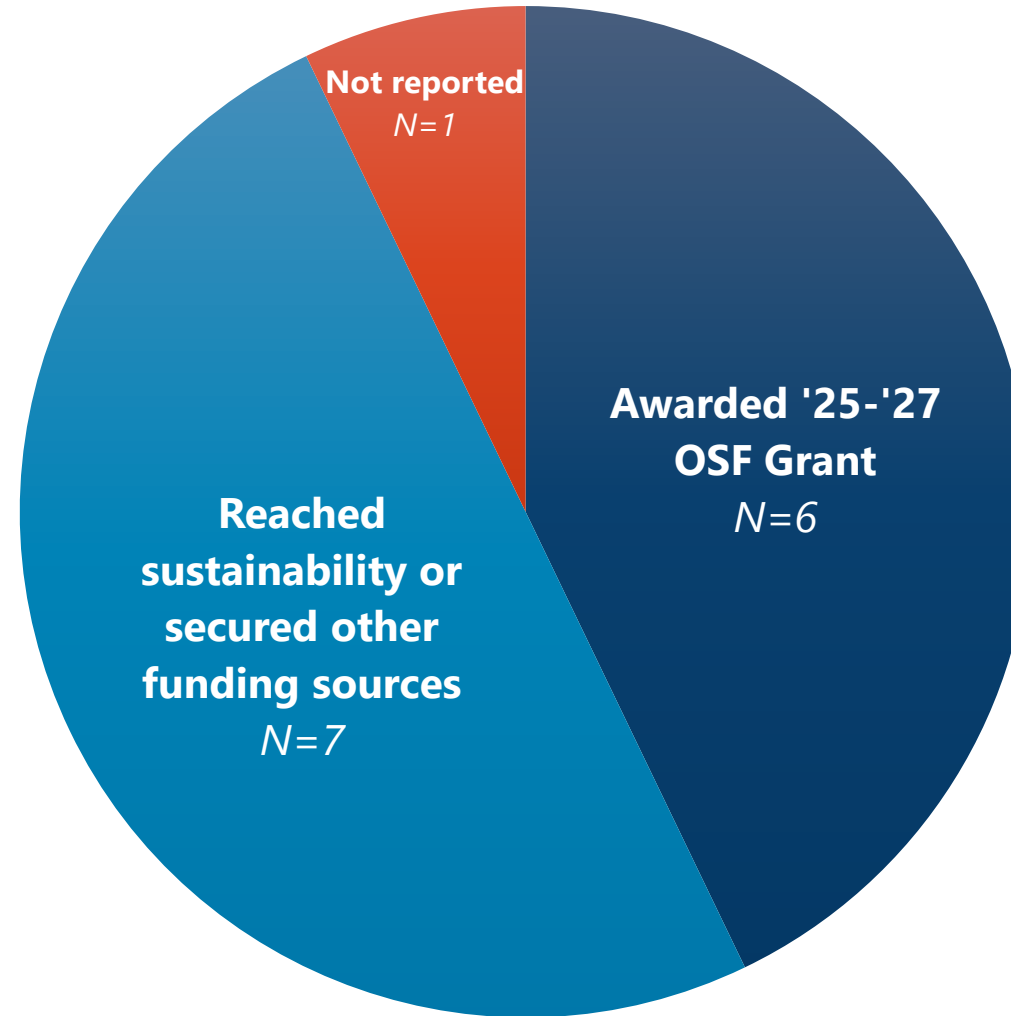
## **Workforce Development**

- Strengthened the behavioral health workforce:
  - 17 new addiction counselors
  - 22 new clinical training sites
  - 31 new clinical supervisors onboarded

# OSF Grantee Reported Sustainability

2023-2025 Biennium

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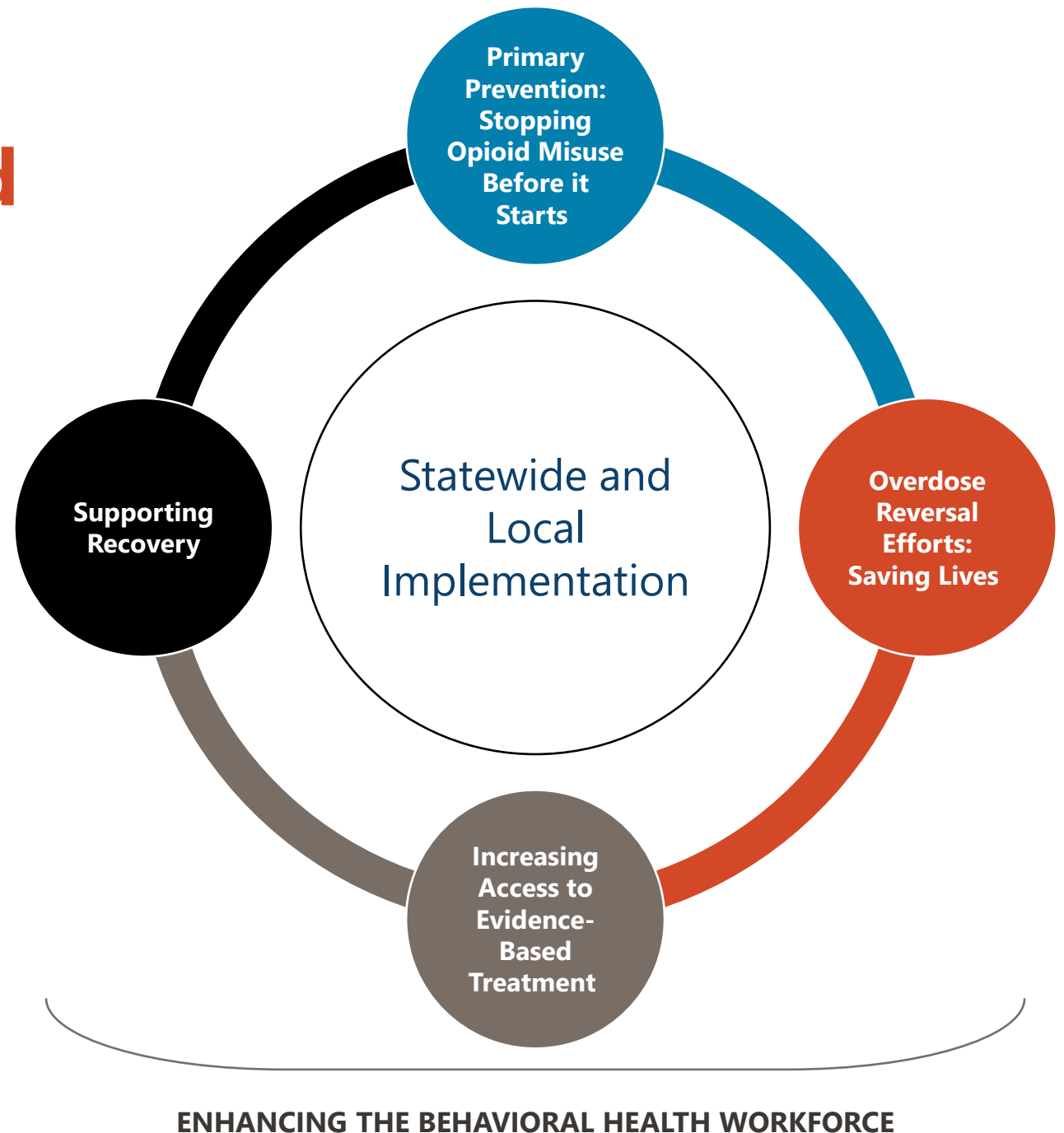
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# Addressing the opioid crisis through a comprehensive approach

- Opioid Settlement Funds
- State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant
- Other Federal and State funding

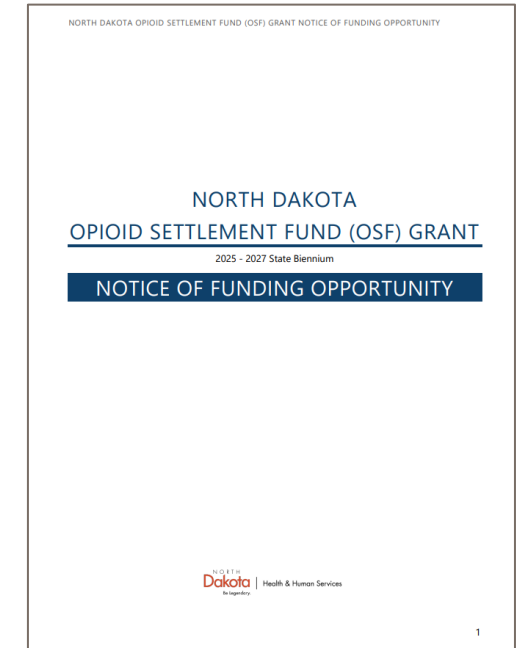


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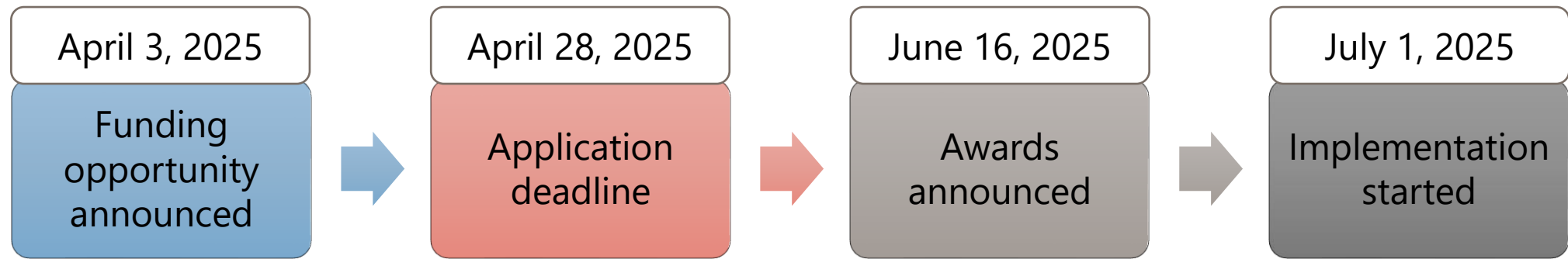
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# Opioid Settlement Grant Process

*2025-2027 Biennium*



- 59 applications received (approximately \$31M in funding requests)
- **18 applicants awarded** (\$7,999,926 awarded)



# OSF Grant Awards – Prevention & Workforce

2025-2027 Biennium

## TARGETED LOCATIONS:

- **North Dakota State University ONE Program**
  - **\$247,545** – Establish opioid prevention programs in four additional correctional facilities in North Dakota.
  - **\$165,639** – Develop and implement a culturally responsive medication safety, harm reduction and overdose prevention education content for K-12 persons in Native American Communities.
- **Rolette County Public Health District, \$223,868** – Implement a K–9 evidence-based substance use prevention curriculum and a media campaign to raise awareness, promote prevention and link individuals to local resources.

## STATEWIDE:

- **Goldfinch Health, \$382,829** – Partner with hospitals and medical professionals to implement post-surgery prescribing practices to prevent opioid misuse.
- **ND Training Academy for Addiction Professionals (TAAP), \$2,496,562** – Enhance North Dakota’s behavioral health workforce by expanding addiction counselor training, providing college scholarships and offering paid internships.

***\$3,516,443 total focused on prevention and workforce initiatives***

# OSF Grant Awards – Supporting Treatment & Recovery

2025-2027 Biennium

## WESTERN ND

- **Heartview Foundation, \$128,890** – Develop and implement a plan to establish an Opioid Treatment Program and a peer support specialist program in Dickinson.
- **Southwest Multi-County Correction Center, \$829,848** – Expand substance use treatment and recovery services in the community and within the correctional facility in western North Dakota.
- **MHA Sober Living Program, \$264,129** – Establish a dedicated, trauma-informed sober living facility for women on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation who are working to regain custody of their children.

## CENTRAL ND

- **North Central Judicial District Drug Court (Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation), \$48,000** – Provide substance use disorder treatment services and coordination of care to individuals involved in the North Central Judicial District Drug Court in Minot.
- **First District Health Unit, \$162,882** – Expand Syringe Service Program services to help individuals with a substance use disorder connect to treatment and recovery services in Minot.
- **Ward County Detention Center, \$224,655** – Implement a Medication for Opioid Use Disorder treatment program at Ward County Detention Center, including screening, treatment referral, peer support and harm reduction education.
- **South Central Judicial District Drug Court (Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation), \$48,000** – Provide substance use disorder treatment services and coordination of care to individuals involved in the South Central Judicial District Drug Court in Bismarck.

## EASTERN ND

- **Northeast Central Judicial District Drug Court (Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation), \$72,000** – Provide substance use disorder treatment services and coordination of care to individuals involved in the Northeast Central Judicial District Drug Court in Grand Forks.
- **Family HealthCare, \$1,667,500** – Implement a sustainable model for screening for and initiating Sublocade treatment – an extended-release formulation of buprenorphine – for individuals with Opioid Use Disorder during incarceration and post-release at Cass County Jail in Fargo.

# OSF Grant Awards – **Supporting Treatment & Recovery**

*2025-2027 Biennium*

## **STATEWIDE:**

- **USpireND Healthy Families North Dakota, \$212,388** – Provide a home visiting program for parents of children who have been prenatally exposed to substances, parents who are incarcerated or newly released, parents in recovery and parents who have not yet entered recovery.
- **Providence House Minot LLC, \$390,000** – Provide residential substance use disorder treatment services specifically serving pregnant and parenting women.
- **Community Medical Services, \$294,500** – Expand access to peer-based recovery support to further strengthen engagement and retention in outpatient opioid treatment services across the North Dakota clinic locations.
- **North Dakota State University ONE Program, \$140,691** – Establish two Opioid Treatment Program Medication Units in North Dakota rural community pharmacies.