

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

WHEREAS Durham 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 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”) and the Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds from Additional Settlements of Opioid Litigation (“SAAF”);

WHEREAS Durham 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 that, before spending opioid settlement funds, the local government’s governing body must adopt a resolution that:

- i. indicates that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; and,
- ii. states 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. states the amount dedicated to each strategy for a specific period of time.

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

1. First strategy authorized
 - a. Name of strategy: Post-Overdose Response Team
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: 8
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$224,568.
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date July 8, 2024, through End date June 30, 2025
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity: Hiring two additional Community Paramedics will allow them to broaden their reach and connect with people after an overdose as well as having more staff available to connect with patients who previously experienced an overdose within 24 to 72 hours.
 - g. Provider: Durham County Office of Emergency Services

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above named and authorized strategies is \$224,568.

Adopted this the _____ day of _____ 2024.

[_____], Chair
[_____] County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

[_____] Clerk to the Board

COUNTY SEAL