

# Annual Budget Ordinance for the Durham County Opioid Settlement Funds

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the County commissioners of Durham County, North Carolina, that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following annual budget ordinance is hereby adopted:

**Section 1:** This ordinance is to establish an annual budget for County programs and services to be funded by Durham County’s opioid settlement funds. According to a Memorandum of Agreement (NC MOA) executed by the County and State of North Carolina, the opioid settlement funds are legally restricted to certain purposes:

Option A: A county may fund one or more strategies from a [shorter list](#) of high-impact strategies to address the epidemic; or

Option B: If the county first undertakes a collaborative [strategic planning process](#) it may choose a strategy from the [shorter list](#) of Option A strategies or a [longer list](#) of strategies included in the national settlements.

**Section 2:** Pursuant to the NC MOA, the County Commissioners have adopted an Authorizing Resolution that identifies the strategies that the county intends to undertake. The appropriation below is consistent with the strategies identified in that Authorizing Resolution.

**Section 3:** The following amounts are appropriated for the programs and services and authorized for expenditure:

Fund	Program Description	Appropriation of Opioid Settlement Funds	Appropriation of Other County Revenues
<b>Opioid Fund</b>	Opioid Settlement Manager position to coordinate, strategize and manage the overall opioid settlement program.	\$145,119	\$0
<b>Opioid Fund</b>	Recovery Support Services: Hiring of Community Linkage to Care Peer Support Specialist to provide guidance and support to individuals struggling with substance use disorder.	\$436,719	\$0
<b>Opioid Fund</b>	Support a Public Health Harm Reduction Specialist position. Provide Narcan and Safer syringe supplies to DCo Pharmacy and Community Partners. Purchase 1 vending machine and contract with individuals with lived experiences.	\$342,028	\$0

<b>Opioid Fund</b>	Post-Overdose Response Team: Hiring two additional Community Paramedics will allow the Paramedics to broaden their reach and connect with people at the time of the overdose as well as having more staff available to connect with patients within 24 to 72 hours post overdose.	\$224,568	\$0
<b>Opioid Fund</b>	Medical Director in Support of Detention Center Programs	\$200,000	\$0
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,348,434</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Section 4:** The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the strategies:  
**Opioid Settlement Funds:** **\$1,348,434**  
**Total:** **\$1,348,434**

**Section 5:** The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting and other compliance records to satisfy the requirements of the NC MOA and state law.

**Section 6:** The Finance Officer is hereby directed to report the financial status of the program(s) to the governing board on a quarterly basis.

**Section 7:** Copies of this budget ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, the Finance Officer and to the Clerk to Board of County Commissioners.

Adopted this on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

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 [ \_\_\_\_\_ ], Chair  
 [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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 [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] Clerk to the Board

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