

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

WHEREAS Rutherford 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 Rutherford 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;

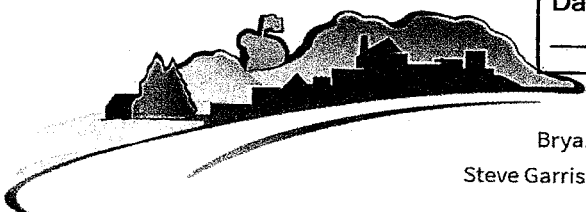
WHEREAS section E.6 of the MOA states that, before spending opioid settlement funds, the local government's governing body must adopt a resolution that:

- (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, Rutherford County authorizes the expenditure of opioid settlement funds as follows:

1. That the first strategy authorized hereby is as follows:
 - a. Name of strategy: Recovery Support Services
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: Strategy 3
 - d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$258,000.00 total for two fiscal years, of which \$130,000.00 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2024-25 and \$128,000.00 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2025-26.
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date July 1, 2024 through End date June 30th, 2026
 - f. Description of the program, project, or activity:
 - i. Expanding recovery supports by adding two NC Certified Peer Support Specialists to their team with the ultimate goal of reducing overdoses in Rutherford County.
 - ii. Implementing evidence-based practices and trauma informed supports for people seeking recovery, including those who have been historically marginalized.

Rutherford County	
Enactment No:	<u>RES 24-016</u>
Date:	<u>6/3/24</u>



COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Bryan King, *Chairman* | Alan Toney, *Vice Chairman* | Michael Benfield | David Hunt | Greg Lovelace
Steve Garrison, *County Manager* | Hazel S. Haynes, *Clerk to the Board* | Richard Williams, *County Attorney*

- iii. Increase program capacity, specifically in their Community Healing, Recovery, and Thriving (HRT) Center where individuals will receive linkage to care/harm reduction/recovery support services/overdose prevention education.

g. Provider: United Way

2. That the second strategy authorized hereby is as follows:

- a. Name of strategy: Recovery Support Services
- b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
- c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: Strategy 3
- d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$335,705.00 total for two fiscal years, of which \$168,652.50 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2024-25 and \$167,052.50 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2025-26.
- e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date July 1, 2024 through End date June 30th, 2026
- f. Description of the program, project, or activity:
 - i. Pilot program providing Family Centered Treatment to families who are engaged in In Home Services through Rutherford County Department of Social Services with one or more parents who meet criteria for opioid use disorder.
Intended to improve provider accessibility and to support families.

g. Provider: Preferred Choice Healthcare

3. That the third strategy authorized hereby is as follows:


- a. Name of strategy: Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment
- b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
- c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A to the MOA: Strategy 2
- d. Amount authorized for this strategy: \$400,000.00 total for two fiscal years, of which \$200,000.00 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2024-25 and \$200,000.00 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2025-26)
- e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date July 1, 2024 through End date June 30th, 2026
- f. Description of the program, project, or activity:
 - i. Expand care for individuals with opioid use disorder in their 14-bed inpatient adult unit, as well as developing an intensive outpatient program (IOP).
 - ii. The program will be staffed by medical professionals, including psychiatrists, licensed clinical social workers, and licensed therapists.
 - iii. Case management services will include medication for opioid use disorder, behavioral health services, and vocational support.

g. Provider: Rutherford Regional Health System

4. That, pursuant to this authorized strategy, the County Manager, working with the County Attorney, shall negotiate the terms and conditions for the agreement and such documentation to commence said strategy with United Way, Preferred Choice Healthcare, and Rutherford Regional Health System, and further authorizes the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, the Clerk to the Board, and other necessary County officials to execute any such documents in support of this action.

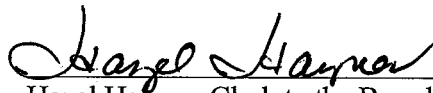
5. That the total amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above-named and authorized strategies is \$993,705.00, of which \$498,652.50 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2024- 25 and \$495,052.50 will be funded for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

Adopted this the 3rd day of June 2024.



Bryan A. King, Chair
Rutherford County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Hazel Haynes, Clerk to the Board

COUNTY SEAL

