
**Maryland's Opioid Restitution Fund (ORF)
Targeted Abatement Grant
Local Abatement Plan**

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please review the instructions provided in the Call for Proposals document prior to completing this form.

The application package should be submitted via Smartsheet Form to the link below.

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/7abd36feaa304e9dad2e776c198e857f>

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Total Allocated Funds \$ 1,009,670

ORF Provision

Please select the ORF provision which most accurately represents the primary focus of the local abatement plan (you may identify more than one).

- (1) programs, services, supports, and resources for evidence-based substance use disorder prevention, treatment, recovery, or harm reduction that have the purpose of:
- (i) **Improving access to medications proven to prevent or reverse an overdose;**
 - (ii) Supporting peer support specialists and screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment services for hospitals, correctional facilities, and other high-risk populations;
 - (iii) **Increasing access to medications that support recovery from substance use disorders;**
 - (iv) Expanding the Heroin Coordinator Program, including for administrative expenses;
 - (v) Expanding access to crisis beds and residential treatment services for adults and minors;
 - (vi) **Expanding and establishing safe stations, mobile crisis response systems, and crisis stabilization centers;**
 - (vii) Supporting the behavioral health crisis hotline;
 - (viii) **Organizing primary and secondary school education campaigns to prevent opioid use, including for administrative expenses;**
 - (ix) Enforcing the laws regarding opioid prescriptions and sales, including for administrative expenses;
 - (x) Research regarding and training for substance use treatment and overdose prevention, including for administrative expenses; and
 - (xi) **Supporting and expanding other evidence-based interventions for overdose prevention and substance use treatment**

(2) Supporting community-based nonprofit recovery organizations that provide nonclinical substance use recovery support services in the State

I. PLAN SUMMARY *The plan summary must provide a clear summary of the projects to be funded and the activities that will be conducted in service of the Local Abatement Plan, and clearly tie to the provisions of the legislation identified above.*

Funding will establish a grant program in Calvert County, enabling local providers and community-based organizations to implement new or expand existing services and supports. Funding priorities will be determined by a community survey conducted with the assistance of the Calvert County Government.

An Overdose Prevention Team will be formed to oversee this initiative. Chaired by the Health Department, with a co-chair from a local partner organization, this multidisciplinary team will include representatives from local agencies, providers, and community groups. Designees from each participating member/agency will be identified to review and evaluate all grant applications, ensuring compliance with all state and local requirements and criteria.

NOFA for grant program:

https://calvertcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/51383/FY26_Opioid-Restitution-Funding-Grant-Aplication?bidId=

II. PLAN PROBLEM STATEMENT *The problem statement section describes why the plan is needed and identifies the most significant issues, problems, trends, or opportunities that will be addressed by the Local Abatement Plan.*

From 2017 to 2021, opioid-related deaths in Calvert County accounted for 1.00 percent of total opioid related deaths in the State. This represented a decrease of 37 percent from 2017 to 2021. We believe this outcome can best be attributed to the collaborative approach local agencies have adopted to address both treatment and prevention. Despite this decrease, more work remains to support and expand current programs, as well as encourage new initiatives, to maintain and improve upon the progress made.

III. PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES *Program Goals and Objectives should define the central aim and principal goals of the Local Abatement Plan that will be addressed by the project activities, and clearly tie to the provisions of the legislation identified.*

Goal #1: To reestablish the Overdose Prevention Team (OPT), formerly the Opioid Intervention Team (OIT).

Goal #2: To create a multidisciplinary pool of designees from each represented entity on the OPT to evaluate all applications received for funding.

Goal #3: The OPT will post a local application process and request proposals from eligible agencies to support, expand and initiate new programming that align with the local priorities.

Goal # 4: To provide funding to a minimum of three (3) eligible agencies to expand services throughout the county.

IV. PLAN PROGRAM MEASUREMENT/PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

What you will use to measure (a) the effectiveness of the plan's support of the selected Goal/Strategy, (b) how it fills a gap in the region, and (c) how it serves its intended demographic. These measures may be quantitative (numeric) and/or qualitative (descriptive). These performance measures must be reported on annually, by project and ORF provision.

1. The Overdose Prevention Team (OPT) will be established using a multidisciplinary approach and guidelines outlined by the State of Maryland.
2. A multidisciplinary pool of designees from each represented entity on the OPT will be created to evaluate all applications received for funding.
3. The OPT will have a public announcement for applications for this funding based on the criteria of the state funds.
4. The OPT will survey the community to determine priorities for funding with the assistance of Calvert County Government.
5. A minimum of three (3) eligible agencies will be supported with this funding to support an increase and expansion of services throughout the county.

V. PLAN TIMELINE

Enter project information as necessary

Goal(s)	Key tasks/activities	Person(s) responsible	Progress Measurement	Begin date	End date
Goal #1: The Overdose Prevention Team (OPT) will be established using a multidisciplinary approach and the guidelines outlined by the State of Maryland.	<i>Will extend invitation to local agencies, providers and community groups for designee to participate in OPT.</i>	<i>Chair/co-chair of OPT and related staff</i>	<i>Goal will be met when the OPT reconvenes and all state requirements are met for attending members/agencies</i>	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	<i>January 30, 2025</i>
Goal #2: To create a multidisciplinary pool of designees from each represented entity on the OPT to evaluate all applications received for funding.	<i>Each OPT member will designate a representative from their agency to create a pool of designees to review applications.</i>	<i>OPT Team</i>	<i>Goal will be met when a multidisciplinary pool of local agencies is created to review applications.</i>	<i>February 1, 2025</i>	<i>February 15, 2025</i>
Goal #3: The OPT will post a local application process and request proposals to all eligible agencies to support, expand and initiate new programming that aligns with the local goals.	<p><i>11. Local outreach to all current and potential providers for Calvert County, via online, public posting, and OPT meetings.</i></p> <p><i>2. Committee will evaluate all applications for the established criteria select and fund applicants who meet criteria.</i></p>	<i>OPT Staff, OPT Team and designees</i>	<i>Goal will be met when the request for applications is shared throughout the county and the OPT evaluates applications minimum of three (3) applicants.</i>	<i>February 15, 2025</i>	<i>June 30, 2025</i>

Goal #4: To provide funding to a minimum of three (3) eligible agencies to expand services throughout the county	<p><i>12. Local outreach to all current and potential providers for Calvert County, via online, public posting, and OPT meetings.</i></p> <p><i>2. Committee will evaluate all applications for the established criteria select and fund applicants who meet criteria.</i></p>	<p><i>OPT Staff, OPT Team and designees</i></p>	<p><i>Goal will be met when the request for applications is shared throughout the county and the OPT evaluates applications minimum of three (3) applicants.</i></p>	<p><i>February 1, 2025</i></p>	<p><i>June 30, 2025</i></p>
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VI. SPEND PLAN DESCRIPTION *Detailed explanation of planned expenses, including dollar amounts for all proposed expenditures.*

\$1,009,670 is available for local non-profit or government agencies to apply for funding to expand services in Calvert County. A minimum of three (3) applicants will be funded for various amounts determined by the applicants received and the needs of the community as determined by the OPT.

By signing below, you agree to spend the opioid settlement funds received through the Targeted Abatement Fund in accordance with the plan established above.

Additionally, your signature below certifies that your county/municipality has established a Local Abatement Fund, as required by the State Subdivision Agreement, and that all opioid settlement funds will be held in this fund.

VII. AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____