



Maryland's Office of Overdose Response

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Policy Bulletin: Targeted Abatement Grants for Municipalities Reverting to Respective Counties on June 30, 2026

In Maryland, 58 Qualifying Exhibit G Subdivisions opted to participate in the state's prescription opioid settlement agreements. Of these subdivisions, 23 are counties and 35 are considered municipalities, or towns, or cities that are within counties.

The State Subdivision Agreements (SSA) of [2022](#) and [2023](#) govern the distribution and use of opioid settlement funds in Maryland. The SSA requires participating subdivisions, with the exception of Qualifying Charter Counties, to submit a grant application called a Local Abatement Plan (LAP) to Maryland's Office of Overdose Response (MOOR) for approval prior to accessing Targeted Abatement Grant (TAG) funds. These plans are valid for 5 years. TAG funds make up the majority of funds local subdivisions are to receive from the opioid settlement. If the plans are not submitted, TAG funds cannot be distributed to subdivisions and will remain unutilized in the Opioid Restitution Fund.

The State Subdivision Agreement states, "The Settlement Proceeds of any Qualifying Exhibit G Municipal Subdivision that does not apply for a grant [under TAG] shall revert to the County in which the Subdivision is located."

As of August 1st 2025, the date of this memo's publication, 25 of 36 municipalities have not submitted an LAP. These funds were awarded as restitution for the deaths of our community members and, as such, should be actively utilized in our communities. **We are establishing a deadline of June 30th, 2026** for municipalities to complete their LAP.

LAPs will continue to be due at the end of the fiscal year for municipalities that do not have an active plan approved. If MOOR does not receive a grant application in the form of a LAP by the end of the fiscal year, June 30th, the municipality's TAG funds may be reverted to their respective county. TAG awards will be subject to all other requirements of the State Subdivision Agreement, settlements and applicable law.

Please reach out to orf.moor@maryland.gov with any questions or needs related to accessing the LAP template.