



# Opioid Initiatives and the Use of Abatement Funds

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# About

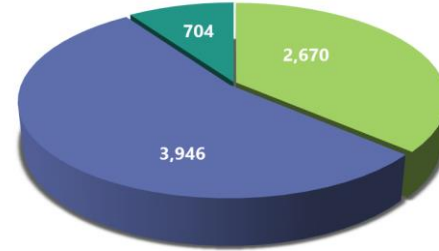


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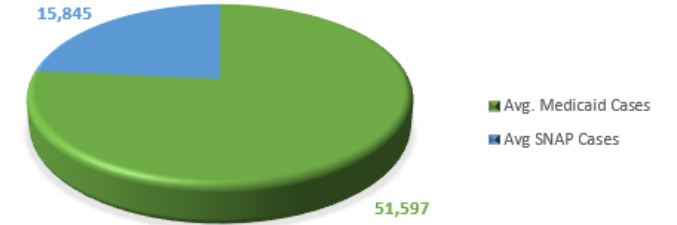
445 square miles

Chesterfield Human Services located centrally within the county, including the following departments:

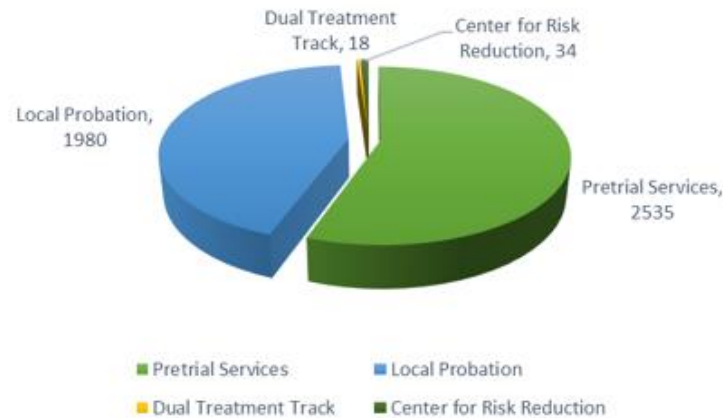
- Treatment Courts
- Community Engagement
- Community Corrections
- Juvenile Justice
- Mental Health Support Services (CSB)
- Social Services



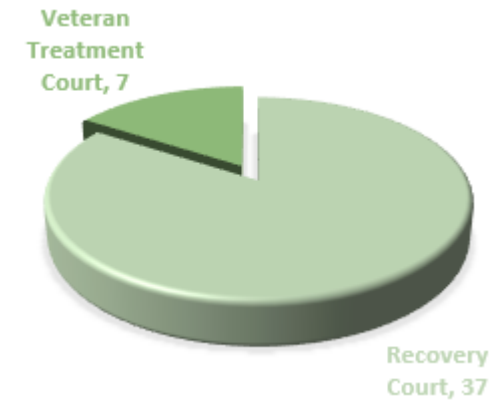
Our CSB served 7,320 individuals in FY24



Our DSS provided SNAP and Medicaid to 67,442 individuals in FY24



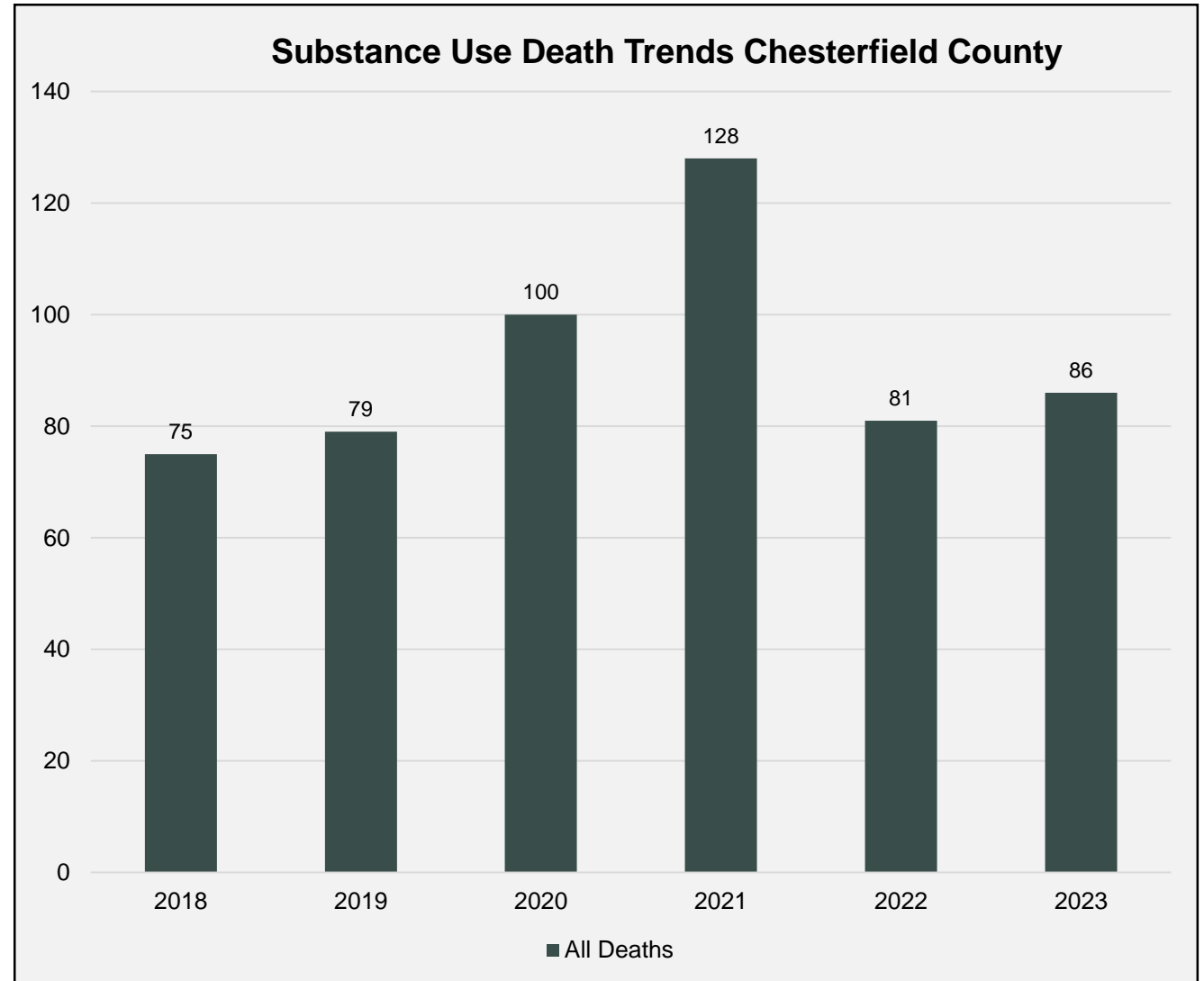
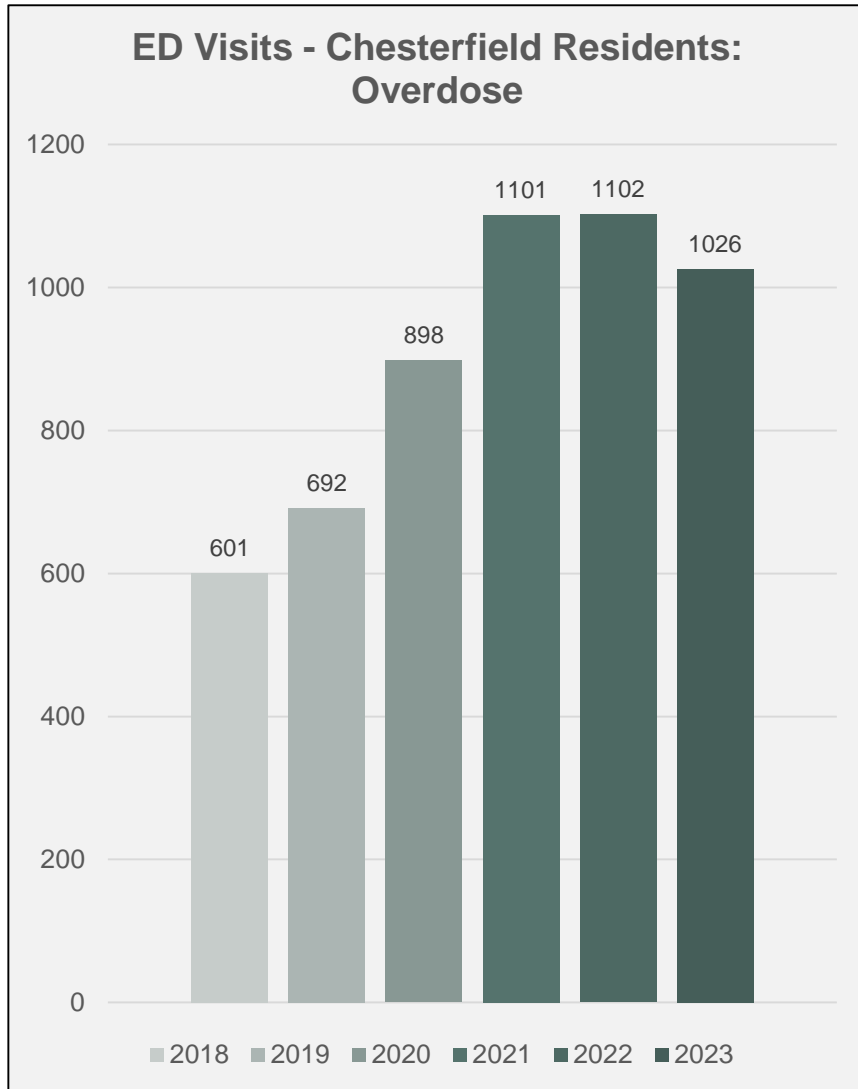
Our Community Corrections served 4,567 individuals in FY24



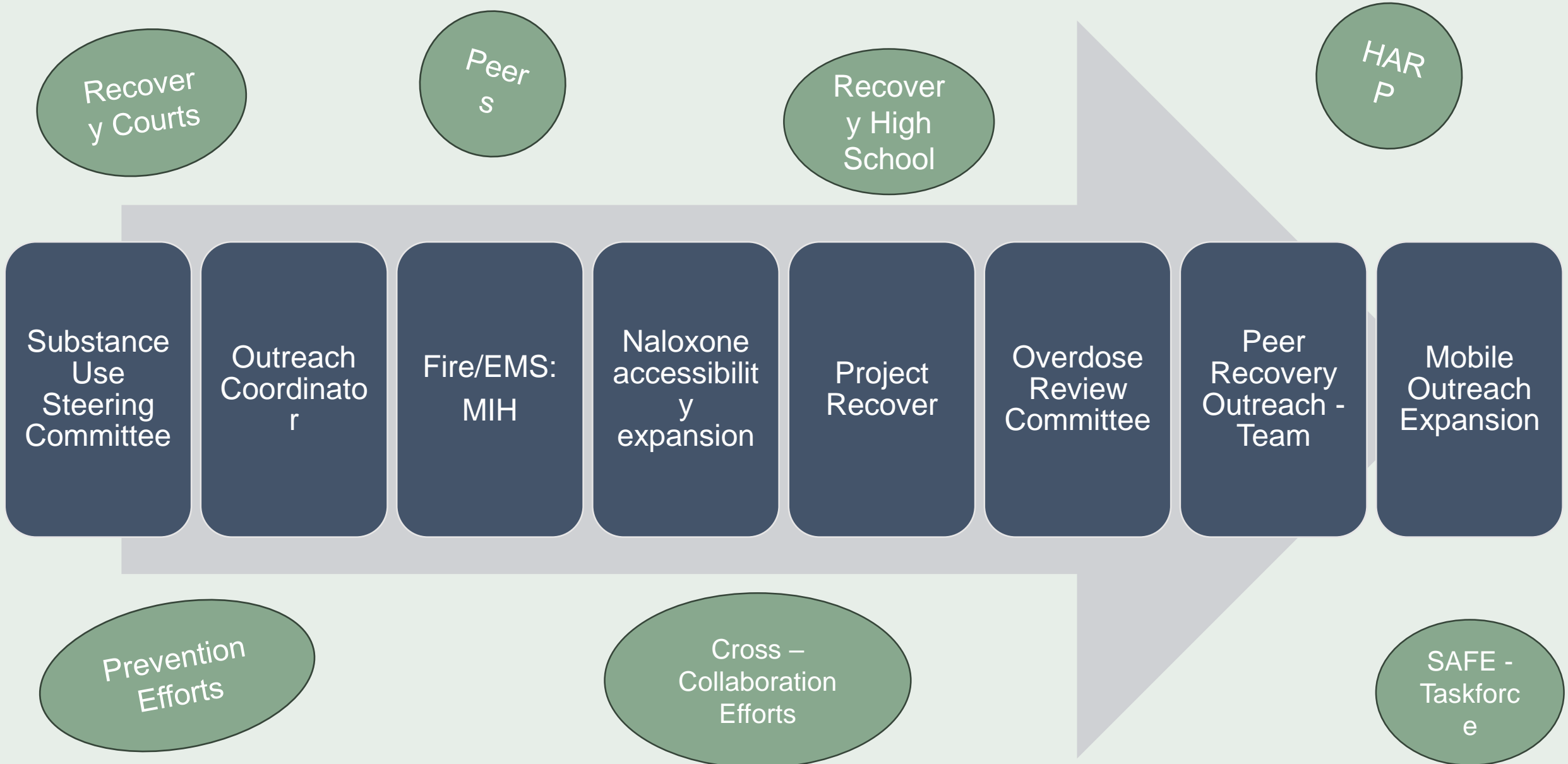
Our Specialty Dockets served 44 individuals in FY24

# History of Opioid Use and Services Provided

# Chesterfield Overdose Data



# Chesterfield Opioid Response



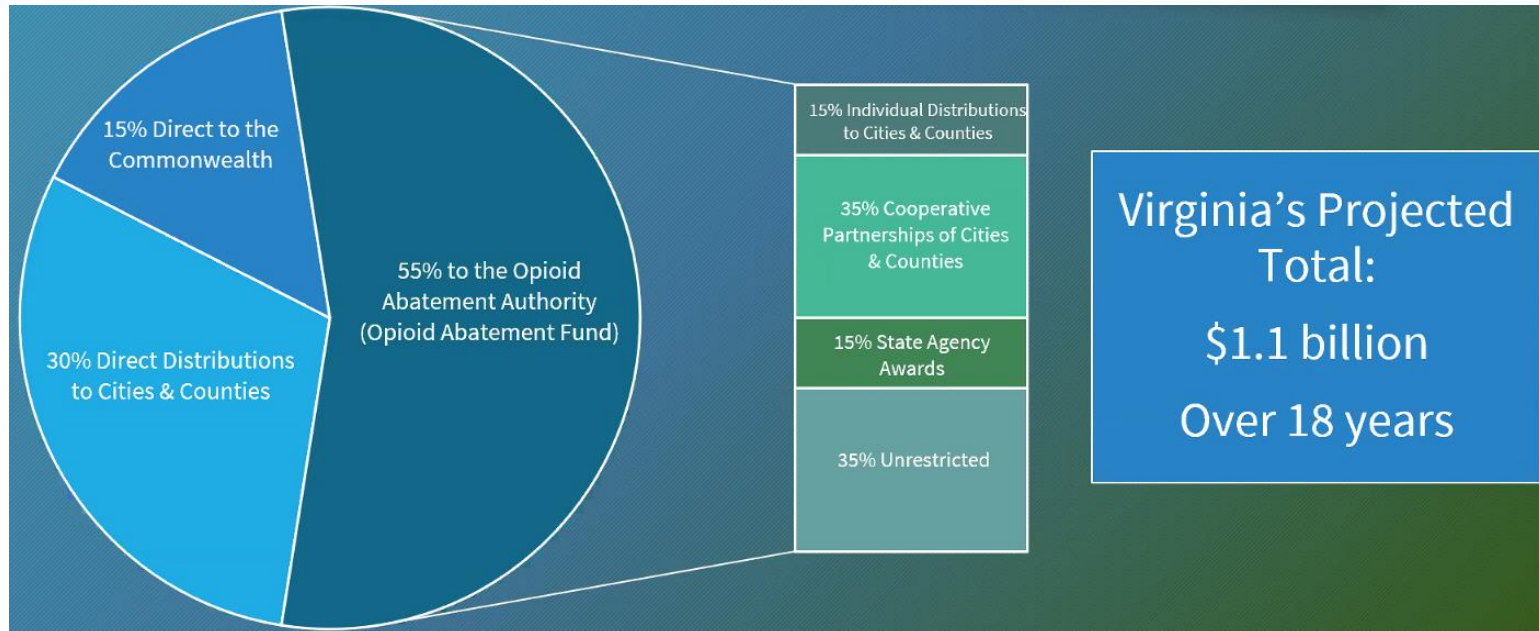
# Opioid Response Definitions

- Steering Committee – made of directors of various impacted departments across the County
- Prevention Team Initiatives: Safe Storage and disposal, medication takebacks, middle school presentation
- HARP – a voluntary program run in the Chesterfield Jail by Sheriff Leonard, this program has peers, has worked to increase MAT accessibility, and has licensed clinical staff
- SAFE – (SUBSTANCE ABUSE FREE ENVIRONMENT) is our prevention community partner: they provide community education, middle school outreach, and runs the Opioid Taskforce meetings
- Outreach Coordinator- this was a project of the Steering Committee – with the intention of having a central hub for data, capturing our current efforts and working with internal and external partners to improve access to harm reduction and care
- MIH – Mobile Integrated Health Unit (Fire/EMS) – MIH programs are not new, but ours integrated a peer to do post-overdose outreach, they also do leave behind naloxone + resources as overdose scenes, and they work with our CSB to do same day or next day inductions and bridge prescriptions.
- Naloxone – we worked very hard to reduce barriers to access and to expand access to people most likely to experience or be present during an overdose– we went from one distributor (the CSB) to MANY – CSB, Libraries, Community Corrections, Jail, DSS, EMS (leave behinds), SAFE
- Recovery HS – serves all Zone 1 public schools , now in it's 3<sup>rd</sup> year
- Overdose Review Committee – This committee reviews both fatal and non-fatal overdoses. When possible, we try and interview survivors. (meets quarterly and reviews 2-3 cases)
- Project Recover – embedded peers with police or EMS
- Peer Expansion – we have peers with our treatment court, Community Corrections, CSB, Recovery HS, Jail, and Project Recover (in 2019/2020 only the CSB had peers (2))
- PRO team is our peer recovery outreach – they take referrals from DSS, Jail, and others with the focus of connection and supporting people in recovery – their target is people who are connected to our system and looking for recovery vs. our Mobile outreach – which we'll talk about later
- All these efforts have increased our cross-collaboration

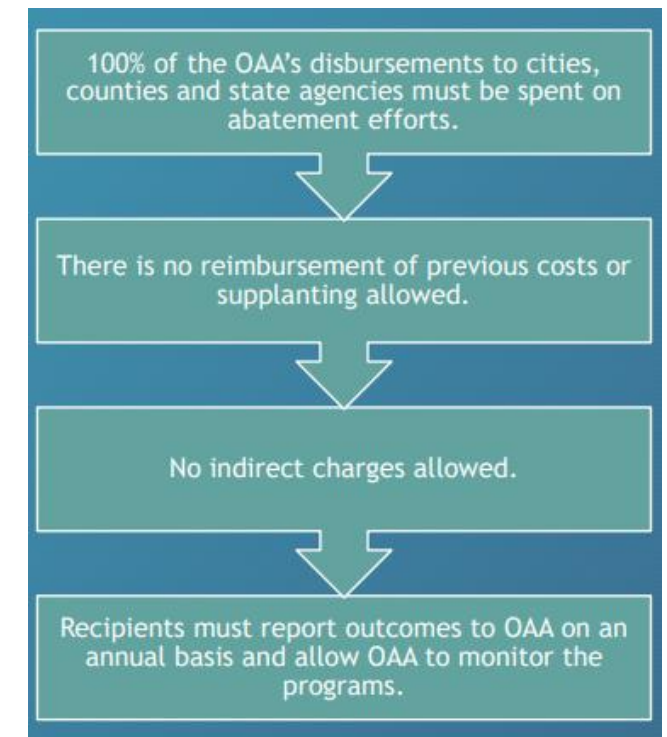
# Opioid Abatement Funding



# Settlement Funding and the OAA



## OAA Approved Use of Funds



In 2021, the Virginia Attorney General's office worked with VA localities outside counsel to

- ✓ Achieved 100% participation by the 133 cities and counties
- ✓ Resulted in a signed MOU between the cities/counties and the Commonwealth
- ✓ Local governments had to release any separate claims against the defendants.
- ✓ Created Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) as an independent body whose purpose is to abate and remediate the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth



# Defining Funding Streams

## Direct

- Comes directly to cities and counties from settlement agreements
- Does not expire - no timeline of when it must be spent
- Must follow OAA's guidelines regarding use of funds (to be eligible for Gold Standard)
- NOT managed by OAA - no reporting requirements

## Individual

- Funds that localities are entitled to, but managed by OAA
- Requires an application be submitted and awarded with reporting requirements
- Expire after 5 years of being awarded if unused
- Must follow OAA's guidelines regarding use of funds

## Gold Standard

- Awarded to localities that commit to applying OAA guidelines for use of funds to their direct distributions
- Awarded annually at 25% of indirect distribution amount
- Managed by OAA
- Requires an application be submitted and awarded with reporting requirements
- Expire after 5 years of being awarded if unused

## Planning Grants

- One-time award to localities to be used for planning opioid-related projects in their communities
- Grant should result in plan for use of settlement funding
- Was only available to localities during the first year of abatement funding
- Managed by OAA
- Required an application be submitted
- Expire after 2 years of being awarded if unused

## Cooperative Partnerships

- Multi-locality application (two within same DBHDS region)
- Awarded annually for up to five years
- Managed by OAA
- Requires an annual application and reporting
- One locality in the partnership identified as fiscal agent
- Does not require but highly encourages match funding from localities
- Can apply to have funding roll over from fiscal years if unused

As of April 2024

City or County:

**Chesterfield County**

**City/County Estimated Settlement Funds Lookup Tool Instructions**

To see the estimated amounts disbursed or to be disbursed to a specific city or county for each year of the settlements:

1. Click on cell C10, which currently reads "Choose City/County."
2. Use the drop down menu to select a city or county and the amounts below will change to show the city or county's estimated payments.

Fiscal Year (FY)	No Application to OAA		Must Apply to OAA					
	Direct Distributions		OAA Individual Distribution			OAA Gold Standard Incentive		
	Projected	Used as OAA Match	Eligible to Receive	Awarded / Used as Match	Balance Available	Eligible to Receive	Awarded / Used as Match	Balance Available
2022	\$166,232	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2023	\$1,052,342	\$0	\$380,792	\$0	\$380,792	\$95,198	\$0	\$95,198
2024	\$1,297,806	\$9,195	\$440,787	\$89,527	\$732,052	\$110,197	\$0	\$205,395
2025	\$409,616	\$0	\$147,424	\$0	\$879,476	\$36,856	\$0	\$242,251
2026	\$534,817	\$0	\$188,326	\$0	\$188,326	\$47,081	\$0	\$47,081
2027	\$568,383	\$0	\$200,633	\$0	\$200,633	\$50,158	\$0	\$50,158
2028	\$433,030	\$0	\$151,004	\$0	\$151,004	\$37,751	\$0	\$37,751
2029	\$606,894	\$0	\$214,754	\$0	\$214,754	\$53,688	\$0	\$53,688
2030	\$609,656	\$0	\$216,043	\$0	\$216,043	\$54,011	\$0	\$54,011
2031	\$570,816	\$0	\$200,924	\$0	\$200,924	\$50,231	\$0	\$50,231
2032	\$529,721	\$0	\$185,860	\$0	\$185,860	\$46,465	\$0	\$46,465
2033	\$486,986	\$0	\$170,191	\$0	\$170,191	\$42,548	\$0	\$42,548
2034	\$371,641	\$0	\$132,873	\$0	\$132,873	\$33,218	\$0	\$33,218
2035	\$371,641	\$0	\$132,873	\$0	\$132,873	\$33,218	\$0	\$33,218
2036	\$371,641	\$0	\$132,873	\$0	\$132,873	\$33,218	\$0	\$33,218
2037	\$308,780	\$0	\$109,824	\$0	\$109,824	\$27,456	\$0	\$27,456
2038	\$308,780	\$0	\$109,824	\$0	\$109,824	\$27,456	\$0	\$27,456
2039	\$216,182	\$0	\$79,267	\$0	\$79,267	\$19,817	\$0	\$19,817
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,214,966</b>	<b>\$9,195</b>	<b>\$3,194,272</b>	<b>\$89,527</b>	<b>\$3,104,745</b>	<b>\$798,568</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$798,568</b>

# Chesterfield Abatement Funding

Chesterfield is projected to receive a total of **\$13,207,806** over life of abatement funding

\*\*This does not include funds from OAA for planning grants or collaborative projects\*\*

Average annual allocation of all funds combined: **\$695,148**

# Oversight of Funds



- Abatement funding was placed under the oversight of the Chesterfield Deputy County Administrator of Human Services
- New OAA Administrator position funded by OAA to:
  - provide oversight to any abatement and OAA funds the county receives
  - oversee all abatement and OAA projects and manage relationships between localities on projects
  - review and complete OAA documentation (including applications, amendments and reporting)
  - provide transparency of use of funds to stakeholders
  - facilitate the development of a Chesterfield Opioid Response Strategic Plan
  - engage stakeholders in the development of future OAA projects and use of settlement funds

# Current Use of OAA Funds



## Chesterfield Planning Grant

- \$91,950 awarded to Chesterfield in FY24



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## Pregnant and Parenting Women Collaborative Planning Grant

- \$100,000 awarded to collaborative effort in FY24



## Project Recover Collaborative Partnership

- \$214,297 awarded to collaborative effort in FY24
- Approved for a second year with a budget of \$241,693 (including roll over amount from FY24 and FY25 OAA award)



## Mobile Outreach Collaborative Partnership

- \$1,666,411 awarded to collaborative effort in FY24
- Approved for a second year with a budget of \$1,741,540.95 (including roll over amount from<sub>1,2</sub> FY24 and FY25 OAA award)

# Mobile Outreach Collaborative Project

# Mobile Outreach Collaborative

Members: Powhatan, Colonial Heights, Petersburg, and Chesterfield

Goal: Expand mobile outreach to the community by having an outreach coordinator and/or a peer: wrap-around services, recovery supports, harm reduction, naloxone, and greater regional collaboration



# Chesterfield Mobile Outreach: Relationships to Recovery

Our team is made up of an Outreach Coordinator and a Peer Recovery Specialist

The target of this team is people who are not touching our systems – this was a population identified by the work of our Overdose Review Committee

Our team will provide harm reduction tools in the community and build relationships – some examples of outreach locations are motels and encampments

The team will use data to respond to overdose/drug use hotspots

The funding will allow us to intervene when someone says they are ready for treatment.

Narcan/naloxone vending – low barrier, public newspaper style boxes

# Use of Funds Proposal (pending)

- Projected Individual Distribution Funds in Chesterfield: \$3,194,272
- Projected Gold Standard Funds in Chesterfield: \$798,568
- Proposal includes:
  - Using annual allocation of two funds (\$255,315) to fund mini grants to Chesterfield service providers
  - Complete OAA Individual Distribution application and follow OAA funding guidelines
  - Can include partnering with a community agency to do the work
  - To be reviewed and approved by Substance Use Steering Committee
  - OAA Administrator has oversight of funding and reporting
  - Approved annually



Thank you!

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