

Opioid Settlement Fund Update for the ADPC February 18, 2025

Budget Update

Connecticut is expected to receive over \$600 million over 18 years (approx. \$33 million per year) as part of the nationwide opioid litigation settlement agreements with various pharmaceutic distributors and opioid manufacturers

Proceeds will be spent on substance use disorder abatement infrastructure, programs, services, supports, and resources for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction with public involvement, transparency, and accountability

As of 1/14/25, the State has received a total of \$158,299,575, with funding recommendations having passed for \$91,279,158 leaving a balance in the fund of \$67,020,417.

The estimated annual budget is \$33,333,333 and the estimated approved recommendations amount is \$28,738,203



OSAC APPROVED INITIATIVES	
TREATMENT	 Mobile Opioid Treatment Programs (OTP) Treatment Bridge Model to Increase MOUD initiation in Connecticut's Emergency Departments Department of Correction (DOC) OTP expansion Contingency Management Treatment Pathway Program (TPP): Pre-trial diversionary program
HARM REDUCTION	 Syringe Service Program (SSP) supplies expansion Harm Reduction Vending Machines Naloxone Saturation SafeSpot Overdose Hotline Harm Reduction Centers
PREVENTION	 LiveLOUD Public Awareness & Education Campaign Drug Deactivation Mailing
RECOVERY SUPPORT	 Collegiate Technical Assistance to support opioid overdose education Supportive Housing



SafeSpot Overdose Hotline Expansion to Connecticut Approved January 2025

- SafeSpot is a 24 hour-7-day a week service
- Operators offer real-time phone-monitored supervision of drug use
- Emergency Response activated if the individual becomes unresponsive
- Total funding amount (3 years): \$1,513,085



Supportive Housing

Approved January 2025

- Housing Supports for individuals with Opioid Use Disorders or at risk for overdose who are:
 - Experiencing homelessness
 - Homeless prior to entry to substance use disorder (SUD) treatment, inclusive of Sober and Recovery Homes, who do not have a safe and/or viable housing discharge plan.

• Includes:

- CT Department of Housing (DOH) Rental Assistance Program (RAP) Housing subsidies
- Client supports (security deposit, furniture, etc.)
- Trauma-informed case management services that would follow and support an individual from homelessness to being housed and maintaining housing stability.
- Total funding amount (4 years): \$58,600,000



Harm Reduction Centers

Approved January 2025

- Continuation and expansion of Harm Reduction Centers offering low-barrier, drop-in support for individuals who use substances, particularly those who are at high risk for opioid overdose
 - -Continue the operation of three existing Harm Reduction Centers (New Haven, New London, Hartford, and Waterbury)
 - -New Harm Reduction Center in Bridgeport
 - -Hartford Harm Reduction Center for program expansion.
- Total funding amount (3 years): \$6,975,000

