



Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee – Municipal Proceeds Report, P.A. 23-92

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RE: Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee- Municipal Settlement Proceeds Report, PA 23-92

Introduction and Background

Connecticut's cities and towns have been invaluable partners in pursuing settlement agreements with the opioid manufacturers, marketers, strategists, and distributors who have had an active role in creating and exacerbating the on-going crisis that has taken a massive toll on the state. As a result, the state and municipalities are due to receive substantial settlement proceeds to use to remediate the harms already inflicted and establish evidence-based practices to mitigate risk into the future.

To comply with the settlement agreements and to be transparent to the public, the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee (OSAC) was established in 2022 to evaluate and implement programs and deploy the state's portion of the settlement funds. As that committee has been established and begun its work, there has been a clear call for more information to and from the municipalities to ensure we utilize these resources in the most efficient and productive manner. Consequently, in 2023, new legislation was passed that requires municipalities to report on the use of settlement proceeds to the OSAC:

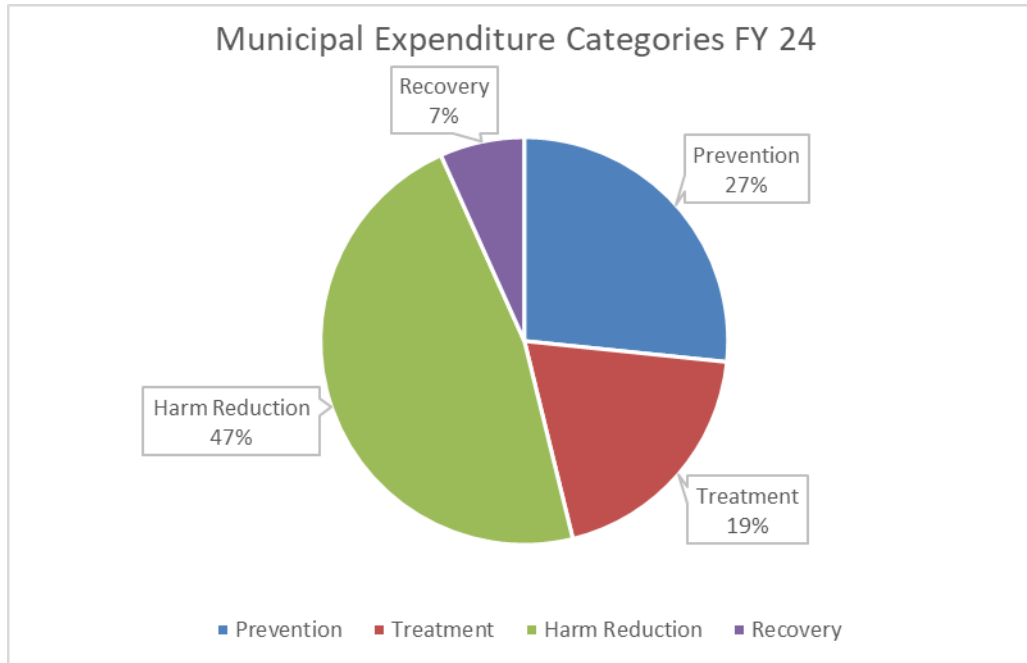
Pursuant to Public Act 23-92, Section 2: "Any municipality that receives moneys directly from a settlement administrator pursuant to a judgment, consent decree or settlement related to opioid litigation shall submit an annual report to the committee detailing its expenditures for the preceding fiscal year on a form prescribed by the committee. Each such municipality shall submit such report to the committee on or before October 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, until the total amount of such moneys received by the municipality has been expended."

Thus, on September 3, 2024, the co-chairs of the OSAC, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) Commissioner Nancy Navarretta and Mayor Emeritus Neil O'Leary, sent an email to all municipalities throughout the state notifying their leadership of this new requirement and that an online form was available on DMHAS' website to report the details of the amounts they had received and expended. About 70% of municipalities submitted their data on or before the survey deadline; the reporting deadline was extended to maximize participation.

Summary

Upon conclusion of the reporting period, all 169 of Connecticut's cities and towns submitted their information. The proceeds reported as received by the municipalities from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 total \$11,846,811.51, with \$2,447,622.67 expended during that timeframe. The remaining balance of all municipal proceeds received thus far is \$14,878,614.55.

The following chart represents the breakdown of Municipal Expenditures in Fiscal year 2024 per category:



Examples of items and trends reported by municipalities include:

- Collaboration between many towns and departments (police, fire, EMS, local health departments, human services and schools)
- Provided Naloxone and Leave Behind Kits to First Responders and the Public
- Training and Education, especially in Youth and Family prevention and Naloxone administration
- Use of Exhibit E, a list of opioid remediation uses from the Final Distributor Settlement Agreement and/or the Connecticut Opioid Response (CORE) Report to guide decision making

Reported Receipts and Expenditures

Included below.

Municipality	FY 24 Funds Received	FY 24 Funds Expended	Remaining Balance	Collaborating Municipalities	Planning process to allocate funds we will worry about it when we get the funds	Population(s) served/ To be served	How funds were used	Highlights or successes
Andover	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	No		na	none	none
Ansonia	\$ 51,715.77	\$ 6,308.43	\$ 122,456.12	No	Discussions with our first responder department heads	City of Ansonia residents	Purchase of Narcan for our First Responders as well as doing some training for residents.	Increased public awareness
Ashford	\$ 11,319.83	\$ 900.00	\$ 20,985.54	No	service for parents, teachers & others that work with adolescents to explore the environment of a teenager and learn to spot possible signs of substance abuse	adolescents	service for parents, teachers & others that work with adolescents to explore the environment of a teenager and learn to spot possible signs of substance abuse	parents, teachers & others have been educated to help identify signs of substance abuse
Avon	\$ 109,628.37	\$ -	\$ 109,628.37	No	ongoing planning process which includes representatives of municipal social services agencies, youth service bureaus, police departments, and public school personnel.	To date, we have not spent any of the remediation funds.	We have not used any of the abatement funds in FY24.	We have not used any of the abatement funds in FY24.
Barkhamsted	\$ 6,165.84	\$ 6,165.84	\$ -	Canaan Colebrook Hartland Kent Morris Norfolk Warren Washington	Barkhamsted allocated all abatement funds to the Northwest Hills Council of Government's Regional Opioid Response Fund (RORF). The RORF is overseen by a committee that consists of representation from the following sectors/organizations: harm-reduction, prevention, and treatment specialists, local EMTs, Chief Elected Officials, the Northwest CT Community Foundation, municipal social service providers, the Torrington Area Health District, persons with lived experience, and the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization. This group met quarterly to identify, develop, and implement evidence-based initiatives to address opioid use in our region.	The RORF Committee seeks to implement initiatives that are tailored to the needs of small, rural communities.	We developed a Leave Behind Kit program for ambulance crews located in participating towns. This initiative provided Leave Behind Kits to each crew after they had received training from one of our Committee members who is a harm-reduction and prevention specialist. The kits included 2 doses of naloxone, a CPR mask, disposable gloves, a resource card, and a connection card with a harm-reduction worker's contact information. Recognizing that EMS is a key stakeholder in not only identifying individuals with substance use concerns but also offering them resources related to harm reduction and treatment, the Committee felt this was a good way to spread awareness and resources, while also working to reduce the stigma associated with substance use. Abatement funds (pooled with the 8 other municipalities previously listed) were used to purchase supplies for 100 Leave Behind Kits, and 12 months' worth of harm reduction supplies for the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force (LCOTF), which deploys harm reduction rovers throughout the region to various locations.	This FY's major success was the support offered to LCOTF to purchase harm-reduction supplies. This support came at a time when the LCOTF's usual vendor had put a hold on supplies. The RORF was not only able to bridge this gap, but this also allowed LCOTF to purchase supplies that were not previously available to them, such as Xylazine-related wound supplies, and safe smoking supplies. Safe smoking supplies are used to encourage individuals who use substances to transition from injection to smoking to avoid wounds and infection.

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Beacon Falls	\$ 21,206.83	\$ -	\$ 43,129.06	Prospect	None. We are in communication with Region 16 still (with Prospect) to hopefully create an education program for the kids. In addition to this, in FY25 we also hope that our Beacon Hose Company will create an education program as part of their existing volunteer learning program they are operating with 15+ Woodland Highschool students.	Highschool children ages 15-18.	Did not expend any abatement funds in FY24 but plan to do so in FY25 with Region 16 school district and Beacon Hose Company.	None in FY24. Previous to FY24, we used \$8,959.70 of abatement funds for attorneys and Narcan.
Berlin	\$ 56,606.93	\$ 10,724.36	\$ 96,118.27	No	The Town held several cross-functional meetings (Social Services, Board of Education, Police and the Central CT Health District) to brainstorm ideas.	School-aged students, self-identified at-risk populations	Educational materials and sessions for at-risk groups.	N/A
Bethany	\$ 11,277.31	\$ 11,277.31	\$ -	No	There wasn't a special process used.	Youth of the community	Teen outreach and Elementary School DARE programming	Narcan program
Bethel	\$ 39,799.94	\$ -	\$ 39,799.94	No	None spent yet	None spent yet		0 None done yet
Bethlehem	\$ 853.59	\$ -	\$ 2,096.61	No	Planning is done through Town Meetings with resident approvals.	Funds will be used for Town residents.	The Town has not used any of the funds yet.	The Town has not used any of the funds yet.

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Bloomfield	\$ 50,166.07	\$ 492.13	\$ 96,757.54	No	Regular meetings of internal Health District (West Hartford Bloomfield) Planning Group developed plan for activities and use of funds.	Residents of the Town of Bloomfield with priority to highest risk populations (e.g., substance use disorders,).	Abatement funds were used to increase availability and distribution of naloxone through providing resources in overdose kits distributed to highest risk populations by first responders in the community. Funds were also used to implement prevention education by developing naloxone education trainings and translating/offering the trainings in Spanish.	Overdose kits were put together by the Health District which included a variety of harm reduction materials (resources, naloxone) and distributed to first responders for distribution in the community for leave-behind on calls where substance use was confirmed or suspected, with the goal of reducing overdoses.
Bolton	\$ 26,572.20	\$ -	\$ 26,572.20	Yes but not identified	I am attempting to get our health district involved on a regional level. We are also in collaboration with our local prevention council.	Our approach through our local prevention council was broad based and focused on training. There was some specific focus on high school students.	we did not utilize these funds our activities relied on other grant income.	training, including narcan training was successful
Bozrah	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	No	Budget allocation	Local based rehab center	Rehab services	The service that we direct our funds is very successful
Branford	\$ 182,395.47	\$ -	\$ 237,359.98	No	N/A Branford is till contemplating use of these dollars	N/A	N/A We did not use the funds	N/A
Bridgeport	\$ 789,165.00	\$ 433,743.00	\$ 355,422.00	No	Intragency meetings with Police, Fire and Health Finance and City Attorney to get info on costs of OPIOD response efforts.	Bridgeport is an underserved low income community with major portions of the community at risk, so efforts are City wide.	To respond to and treat OPIOD use and potential overdose situations that arose during the year.	These efforts reduced potential fatalities.

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Bridgewater	\$ 1,902.77	\$ -	\$ -	No	The town of Bridgewater does not have a program in place. The money went into our General Fund and a discussion is in place at our selectmen's meeting on the 8th Oct to distribute to our Fire Dept and ambulance services.	Growing families, weekenders, and a large percentage of 55 and over.	We have not used our OPIOD funds yet. Discussion is on the agenda for our Selectmen's meeting Tues 8th Oct for our Fire Dept and Emergency services to by supplies.	None to date.
Bristol	\$ 137,821.06	\$ 124,000.00	\$ 84,100.11	No	Reviewed and recommendations from City's Opioid Task Force	\$124,000 of funds allocated in F24 to Bristol Health to enhance security measures in the Emergency Room to mitigate overdose altercations.	For enhanced security at Bristol Health to mitigate altercations with overdose patients.	Program has been successful at the hospital.
Brookfield	\$ 33,514.02	\$ -	\$ 63,255.94	No	Proposals were requested in YE 2023 for the funding. It was determined how to use it, but that use won't start until Jan 2025 when our ARPA funds run out.	Individuals in crisis with drug additions	As discussed above, none were used. They will be used in YE 25.	NA
Brooklyn	\$ 20,411.43	\$ -	\$ 38,525.51	No	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Burlington	\$ 25,491.89	\$ 4,097.09	\$ 41,707.39	No	Working with Burlington's Police Department and Regional School to allocate remaining funds	Not focusing on a specific population	Education in the Regional Schools	Police Officers are interacting and communicating to the students during the drug education classes

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Canterbury	\$ 14,698.77	\$ -	\$ 32,803.87	No	brief discussions within COG	n/a	n/a	n/a
Canton	\$ 28,967.66	\$ 158.25	\$ 28,809.41	Avon Farmington Granby Simsbury	The Board of Selectmen discussed and agreed to have the Senior & Social Services Dept. assist with programming and management of the funds. We are currently in discussion with Avon, Farmington, Simsbury and Granby re: combining funds for a regional approach.	Individuals and families negatively impacted by Opioid use who would benefit from education, support, and communication to prevent future use	\$158.25 was used in FY 24 for the purchase of 20 NARCAN Training kits from the American Red Cross for Safety Week training	NARCAN Training devices were provided for 20 employees for demonstration and training during Safety Week
Chaplin	\$ 12,691.23	\$ -	\$ 12,691.23	No	Funds have not been allocated at this time.	Efforts will specified to all populations	We are currently putting programs together	We are currently putting programs together with anticipation of success

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Cheshire	\$ 106,179.31	\$ 35,046.18	\$ 202,584.16	No	A community needs assessment regarding awareness, treatment, prevention, and resources was performed including surveys, interviews, and focus groups for target populations. A report was provided to a group of community leaders and collaborating agencies such as public safety and the school system. This group contributed to the development of the proposal for spending of these funds.	We serve all Cheshire residents across the life span. We did focus some of our programming on our older adults.	Funds have been used to support prevention education, community awareness, community presentations, recovery groups and counseling support, Naloxone supplies for public safety, and information dissemination.	We were able to run three recovery support groups at our local senior center, we provided counseling support to several adults struggling with addiction, we offered educational and prevention programs to youth and families, we offered community Narcan training, and we are in the process of setting up a plan for Narcan to be placed in all of our AEDs.
Cheshire	\$ 8,382.98	\$ -	\$ 14,597.09	Deep River Essex	On 8/2/24 I emailed TTYSB Director Rob Bibbiani, our Resident State Trooper Carlos Dos Santos, Sgt. Paul DeCrosta (serves Chester & Deep River), R4 school Superintendent admin Jenn Bryan, our EMD, Fire Chief, First Selectmen in Deep River and Essex, our other 2 Selectmen, First Selectmen of Haddam & Killingworth and provided them with the Distributors Exhibit E PDF after speaking with William Tong's Chief Counsel on options for Opioid Settlement expenditures. On 9/9 a coordinated meeting was planned with all from Chester, Deep River & Essex and is scheduled for October 15, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. to initiate collaborative planning for use of the funds.	TRI-TOWN YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU, INC. is a nonprofit agency that coordinates, develops and provides services dedicated to promoting the positive growth and development of youth and families in Chester, Deep River and Essex, Connecticut. On of their goals is to be recognized as a leader in the field of substance abuse prevention. But we need to focus on adult services as well which will be part of our Oct. 15th meeting discussion.	On 7/31/24 our Town allocated 500.00 to the Middlesex County Substance Abuse Action Council's Recovery Employment Program. The REP helps those in recovery rebuild lives that have been torn apart due to addiction. Clients are assisted in rebuilding their confidence in their abilities and skills, provides job coaching and counseling and provides the ability to gain employment at a company that will support them through every step.	As stated in #17. We are just beginning to collaborate with our tritown leaders and partners to ensure we identify areas to allocate the Settlement funding to.

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Clinton	\$ 54,890.43	\$ -	\$ 54,890.43	Deep River Haddam Old Saybrook	Funds were not used in fy24 because of major vacancies (town mgr, human services director and finance director. All positions are in place now.	n/a	abatement funds were not used in fy24 because of key position turn overs	see #17
Colchester	\$ 13,853.05	\$ 950.00	\$ 102,784.05	Yes but not identified	Our Youth First Coalition meets monthly and discusses community needs. Representatives from 12 community sectors sit on the coalition, so many perspectives are shared.	Two populations were served. 1) Adolescents who are struggling with substance related issues and seeking counseling. 2) Those who are either in recovery or still actively using, and are at risk of relapsing or overdosing, needing Narcan.	Purchased Narcan kits for community distribution in partnership with our Health District and First responders.	The Board of Selectman appointed our Drug Free Community funded Youth First Coalition to determine how the funds will be expended.

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Colebrook	\$ 2,949.34	\$ 2,949.34	\$ -	Barkhamsted Canaan Hartland Kent Morris Norfolk Warren Washington	Colebrook allocated all abatement funds to the Northwest Hills Council of Government's Regional Opioid Response Fund (RORF). The RORF is overseen by a committee that consists of representation from the following sectors/organizations: harm-reduction, prevention, and treatment specialists, local EMTs, Chief Elected Officials, the Northwest CT Community Foundation, municipal social service providers, the Torrington Area Health District, persons with lived experience, and the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization. This group met quarterly to identify, develop, and implement evidence-based initiatives to address opioid use in our region.	The RORF Committee seeks to implement initiatives that are tailored to the needs of small, rural communities.	With that in mind, we developed a Leave Behind Kit program for ambulance crews located in participating towns. This initiative provided Leave Behind Kits to each crew after they had received training from one of our Committee members who is a harm reduction and prevention specialist. The kits included 2 doses of naloxone, a CPR mask, disposable gloves, a resource card, and a connection card with harm-reduction worker's contact information. Recognizing that EMS is a key stakeholder in not only identifying individuals with substance use concerns but also offering them resources related to harm reduction and treatment, the Committee felt this was a good way to spread awareness and resources, while also working to reduce stigma associated with substance use. Abatement funds (pooled with the 8 other municipalities previously listed) were used to purchase supplies for 100 Leave Behind Kits, and 12 months' worth of harm reduction supplies for the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force, which deploys harm reduction rovers throughout the region to various locations.	This FY's major success was the support offered to LCOTF to purchase harm-reduction supplies. This support came at a time when the LCOTF's usual vendor had put a hold on supplies. The RORF was not only able to bridge this gap, but this also allowed LCOTF to purchase supplies that were not previously available to them, such as Xylazine-related wound supplies, and safe smoking supplies. Safe smoking supplies are used to encourage individuals who use substances to transition from injection to smoking to avoid wounds and infection.
Columbia	\$ 10,914.83	\$ -	\$ 20,601.16	No	The Town of Columbia has interviewed with 4 agencies: AHM Youth & Family Svcs, United Services, Perception Program and Community Health Services to see which would assist the Town the best with these funds. This is still being evaluated as of 06/30/24.	The Town is looking at the Town population as a whole on how the community would benefit the best with these funds.	The Town of Columbia has not used any abatement funds in FY 24. The usage is still be evaluated on how to best use the funds in the community.	No highlights or successes to report by the Town of Columbia in FY 24. The Town is still evaluating how best to use these funds.

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Cornwall	\$ 5,275.01	\$ -	\$ 9,956.31	No	Amounts received to date are minimal. Cornwall is accumulating the funding until a meaningful impact can be made to expend the funding as required on appropriate measures and programs.	It is our intention to serve all of our citizens through outreach, education and direct support.	Amounts received to date are minimal. Cornwall is accumulating the funding until a meaningful impact can be made to expend the funding as required on appropriate measures and programs.	none to date
Coventry	\$ 37,552.64	\$ 3,469.26	\$ 67,409.38	Andover Bolton	In Supervisor meetings, a needs assessment was discussed with Town departments anout where funding was absent or lacking.	Residents of Coventry, Bolton and Andover.	The Fire Department submitted a proposal for funding to support emergency responders when working with harm reduction and management of the opioid overdose in our communities.	The nexessary training was provided to emergency responders for Nalaxone, Rescue breathing, and Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), and Stop the Bleed.
Cromwell	\$ 53,808.21	\$ 2,021.20	\$ 97,542.22	No	Collaboration with Human Service, Youth and Police.	General population.	Hired an Opioid Prevention Specialist and purchased Narcan.	Prevention of overdose deaths and the success of the Town getting approved to hire the prevention specialist.
Danbury	\$ 112,423.92	\$ -	\$ 308,074.87	No	We are working with the Danbury Health Department and Mayor's office to review different agencies and programs to fund. We are in the process of getting subrecipient agreements signed to solidify the amount being awarded and terms.	The City of Danbury is focused on assisting all people in prevention from opioid addiction.	We did not expend any abatement funds in FY24.	Danbury was in a transition year and have started a new with the Health Department and the new Mayor's office to allocate the Opioid abatement funding. We have a plan and programs allocated money and are in the process of getting the subrecipient agreements signed.
Darien	\$ 69,783.09	\$ -	\$ 131,711.94	No	There has not been much of a planning process to date. Our previous Health Director retired on 6/30/2024. Over the next few months, the new Health Director will be developing a plan for our funds.	WE have not yet expended any funds	We have not yet expended any funds	We have not yet expended any funds
Deep River	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Did not report			

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Derby	\$ 34,079.20	\$ -	\$ 67,820.46	No	We are planning on buying Narcan Nasal Spray for our first responders and conducting a media awareness campaign, however due to approval delays at the board level, these initiatives will be delayed to FY 25.	Some of our efforts will be dedicated to educating the youths of Derby.	The use of our abatement funds has been deferred to FY25.	There has been multiple board meetings and much discussion on the use of these funds, which if nothing else has heightened the awareness of these funds and their purposes for all of the city's leadership.
Durham	\$ 860.77	\$ -	\$ 1,624.65	No	Working with the local Durham Middlefield Youth and Family Services on ways to expend the funds	Population 7,152. 3,019 households, 68.8% employment rate, 18.9% 65 years and older.	Funds have not been used to date.	Funds have not been used to date.
East Granby	\$ 15,802.18	\$ 6,432.88	\$ 28,833.51	No	Meeting held with representatives from Police, Ambulance, Social Services, Youth Services, Parks & Recreation & Senior Services to determine needs of the Town and to prioritize those needs.	Our expenses for FY 24 focused on teenage drug & alcohol use as well as serving our entire population by purchasing prescription drug safety disposal bags.	The town purchased and added training for the use of a pedal cart to demonstrate the effects of drugs and alcohol while driving. We also purchased prescription drug disposal kits for anyone to use.	Drug disposal kits will need to be reordered as many residents acquired them - especially senior citizens. The High/Middle School principals was very impressed with the pedal cart and this will be used at the schools yearly to address drug & alcohol use as it affects driving.
East Haddam	\$ 34,121.27	\$ -	\$ 34,121.27	No	Planning between the First Selectman and our Youth and Family program who serve our community through preventions, interventions and outreach.	Population being served is still being determined.	Abatement funds remain unused and in planning at this time	N/A
East Hampton	\$ 50,332.79	\$ 123.21	\$ 122,590.01	No	Decision process led by the Town's Prevention Coordinator and was used for response to opioid matters and support of prevention.	Persons experiencing overdose	Purchase of Narcan for emergent response	The Police Department, as first responders, used Narcan 5 times to save a person in overdose. Those persons were connected to addiction services as appropriate and desired.

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East Hartford	\$ 137,245.23	\$ -	\$ 337,105.39	No	No funds expended in FY24. Reviewed local data and community health assessment completed. Met with community partners/stakeholders to determine community needs as well as services already in place. Identified gaps in current service provisions and benchmarked best practices/interventions to prevent opioid misuse in our community.	Population identified-those at high risk for serious injury related to opioid misuse through previous emergency response requiring Narcan administration. Plans developed/proposed for creation of outreach/prevention worker to provide direct case management and referrals to prevention and treatment services, as well as general primary prevention through education and outreach activities . Implementation planned for FY25	No funds expended in FY24	No funds expended in FY24
East Haven	\$ 73,839.59	\$ 2,602.89	\$ 162,898.15	No	Currently working to set up committee to look at options on educational resources	N/A	Availability & Distribution of Narcom	See previous answer regarding committee setup

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East Lyme	\$ 69,198.92	\$ -	\$ 130,609.35	No	The Town of East Lyme has formally approved the formation of a Youth Family and Human Services Department to help alleviate the affects from the opioid crisis. We have collaborated with the First Selectman, Board of Selectman and Board of Finance to utilize town funds in conjunction with the opioid settlement funds to ensure services are available for the foreseeable future for individuals looking for assistance.	Our Youth and Family Human Services department is focused on teens and young adults at the moment. We have also hired a social worker to assist individuals who do not fall into the YFS scope of services.	The Town was working on putting together a Youth and Family Services. We have included the Opioid funds in our activities in FY2025.	Authorization to establish a Youth and Family Human Services Department.
East Windsor	\$ 26,262.27	\$ -	\$ 49,568.65	No	Working with a non profit to determine the best use of funding.	n/a	Working on programs with Amplify Staffing	Still in planning stages
Eastford	\$ 4,847.67	\$ 8,617.18	\$ -	No	Discussion between Superintendent, Principal, other school staff and Board of Selectmen regarding best use of funds for Eastford children and families regarding Opioid remediation and education.	Eastford children and families	remediation and education	support of children and families
Easton	\$ 11,202.21	\$ 1,959.62	\$ 9,242.59	Redding	The Town of Easton is collaborating with Redding to offer programs and evening seminars at our Regional High School that is located in Redding.	Focusing on High School students socialization.	The Town is educating students about the dangers of vaping and drugs.	More community awareness.

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Ellington	\$ 43,522.36	\$ 16,300.55	\$ 39,161.87	Vernon	The Opioid Settlement Committee consists of representatives from local community agencies, the health department, town of Ellington Senior Center, Human Services, Youth Services, and Emergency Services, along with engaged local residents. This committee convenes monthly to strategize and enhance outreach efforts within the community.	The entire population was served through various outreach events.	During the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the Ellington Opioid Committee spearheaded several impactful initiatives. They organized a community outreach event at the senior center, which featured comprehensive Narcan training. Additionally, they arranged for Chris Herren to give a presentation at Ellington High School, where he will share his personal story of addiction with the senior class. The committee also participated in the Ellington Firemen's Carnival, distributing educational materials about addiction. Furthermore, Ellington High School received a grant to acquire manikins for use in their CPR and opioid education programs.	Ellington has partnered with the Town of Vernon to optimize resources and reduce costs by scheduling Chris Herren's presentation consecutively at both high schools. Additionally, Ellington works closely with local agencies to distribute resource materials and participate in educational events. Looking ahead, Ellington has several exciting events and outreach initiatives planned for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.
Enfield	\$ 99,562.25	\$ -	\$ 187,918.53	No	Our Social Services Department is developing a program for using the funds.	We have not yet finalized our program for these funds.	We have not yet used any of the funds. Our Social Services Department is developing a program for using the funds.	We have not yet used any of the funds. Our Social Services Department is developing a program for using the funds.
Essex	\$ 15,540.57	\$ 27,060.18	\$ -	No	Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance identified appropriate vendors and respective percent of distributions.	Distributed Funds to Tri-Town Youth Services (Deep River, CT) and The Connection (Middletown, CT)	Distributed Funds to The Connect (Middletown, VT) and Tri-Town Youth Services (Deep River for the prevention of substance abuse.	The non-profits will have this information.
Fairfield	\$ 154,250.81	\$ 3,201.60	\$ 375,673.34	No	Town worked with RFL consultants.	all affected		

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Farmington	\$ 89,727.41	\$ -	\$ 89,727.41	Avon Burlington Canton East Granby Farmington Granby Simsbury Thomaston	We have held numerous Farmington Valley Meetings - we have met with a variety of providers. We are currently constructing a contract/resolution to begin a Farmington Valley CLEAR program to provide a regional approach to share information, start a deflection program and support our public safety and social service programs. We are in the process of negotiating contracts and plan on beginning the program in October. While we have spend alot of inkind on the project we will start to utilize funds to support this new program.	will work with police to deflect arrest and provide wrap around services for substance abuse - however we will also provide additional education and supportive services in each municipality.	We are starting a Farmington Valley CLEAR program.	n/a
Franklin	\$ 1,245.49	\$ -	\$ 5,541.57	No	No funds expended	No funds expended	No funds have been use FY24	No funds have been use FY24
Glastonbury	\$ 113,098.65	\$ 5,856.00	\$ 205,590.47	No	Glastonbury Youth and Family Services is given oversight of the funds due to their knowledge of the community, particularly young people, and its needs. Y&FS uses available resources to identify programs and purchases that will most benefit the community while spending funds in accordance with settlement guidelines.	Youths/ students are a particular area of focus with prevention programs.	Funds were used to create an educational documentary on substance abuse within the community. Additional funds were used for drug disposal bags.	Funds were used to film interviews with people who have experienced loss and tragedy from substance abuse and create an impactful documentary to share with students on the effects of substance abuse.
Goshen	\$ 91.55	\$ 91.55	\$ -	No	We send Greenwoods Counseling donations every year. They do mental heath and drug counseling.		Donation	Helping people in need is our success.

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Granby	\$ 31,782.94	\$ -	\$ 59,988.63	Avon Canton East Granby Farmington Simsbury	met with other town leaders to discuss the possibility of a regional use of the fund.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Greenwich	\$ 169,797.05	\$ -	\$ 417,060.02	No	Key Department Heads discussed the best use of the opioid settlement funds based on the needs of the community, e.g., survey results and other prevalence data. It was determined that there would be a primary focus on using funds to address substance use among youth. Funds will also be used to secure Narcan for the general population, to assist with the disposal of controlled-substances, and to support efforts of organizations providing SUD-related services. Funds were not used during FY2024, but they were appropriated for use. The funds secured will be used beginning in FY2025.	In FY2024, opioid settlement funds will be used for education, prevention, harm-reduction efforts, and treatment of youth (middle school and high school age) and to provide support to the general population. No funds were used in FY2024, but they were appropriated for use in FY2025.	No funds were used in FY2024, but they were appropriated for use in FY2025. The Town of Greenwich has established a process for appropriating funds on an annual basis.	The Town of Greenwich is proud of the active participation of the Board of Education in identifying how to direct funds in the efforts of not only prevention, but also treatment and harm reduction.

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Griswold	\$ 41,954.28	\$ 6,287.13	\$ 71,633.69	No	During FY24, the Town of Griswold used a comprehensive planning process to allocate abatement funds, involving collaboration with two established groups: the Community Action Team (CAT) and the Griswold PRIDE substance use prevention coalition. Both PRIDE and CAT are comprised of key community stakeholders, including professionals from treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and prevention sectors. The Griswold PRIDE coalition leveraged HIDTA ODMAP data to analyze overdose trends and identify hotspots, which informed their strategy for planning targeted and sustainable activities. By integrating insights from these diverse and knowledgeable groups, the town ensured that the abatement funds were allocated effectively to address substance use issues in the community.	The Griswold PRIDE coalition used HIDTA ODMAP data to identify overdose trends and hotspots, guiding the development of targeted and sustainable strategies. The abatement funds specifically target individuals who have experienced an overdose and their family members. The approach ensures that support is available to anyone affected by overdose, regardless of demographic factors, reflecting a commitment to addressing the needs of all community members impacted by substance use issues.	During FY24, Griswold utilized opioid settlement funds to strategically increase access to life-saving resources by installing public Narcan cabinets in locations identified through ODMAP data, ensuring they were placed in areas of greatest need. Additionally, the funds supported a prominent non-profit organization known for its leadership in community outreach and recovery support. This organization's volunteers operate a treatment navigation and support phone line and distribute backpacks to residents re-entering the community. These backpacks are stocked with Narcan, harm reduction supplies, basic necessities, and toiletries to aid their reintegration. The non-profit also provides vital transportation resources and housing assistance to individuals in active recovery, further strengthening Griswold's comprehensive approach to addressing substance use challenges.	Griswold's efforts to increase Narcan distribution have yielded significant results this past year. In 2021, the town recorded 10 overdose deaths, but by 2023, this number had decreased to just 3. This improvement coincides with a substantial rise in Narcan distribution—from 34 units in 2021 to 180 units in 2023. The marked increase in Narcan availability appears to have played a crucial role in this notable reduction in overdose fatalities, demonstrating the effectiveness of targeted intervention and resource allocation in addressing the opioid crisis.
Groton	\$ 152,314.22	\$ 152,314.22	\$ -	No	The Town Council approved awarding the settlement funds to a CT non-profit to be used towards opioid remediation in the community.	Our response is No, our efforts are not focused on a specific population.	The Town contracts with a non-profit agency, Community Speaks Out, to provide services. They provide funds for treatment services; provide basic needs to those with opioid addiction; and host a variety of both educational programs; as well as 'sober' events to help prevent relapsing.	Community Speaks Out was already a very successful organization. These funds have helped continue that success as well as to serve a greater number of individuals in our community.

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Guilford	\$ 91,161.35	\$ 16,776.85	\$ 155,285.43	Branford	Coalition planning and reviewing needs assessment.	We are focused on the broader community - all demographics	Prevention events in the community, prevention education, and harm reduction - distribution of narcan kits.	Narcan education and kits widely distributed in the community, which had never occurred previously.
Haddam	\$ 1,646.62	\$ -	\$ 3,674.85	No	Informed Fire Dept (first responders) to use the funds for NarCan	N/A	n/a	n/a
Hamden	\$ 29,551.26	\$ -	\$ 172,149.45	No	The Town of Hamden is negotiating a contract with a mental healthcare provider to provide addiction treatment services to residents of Hamden.	We are focused on helping those with low income and insufficient health insurance.	We have not spent any funds. Our Social Worker at the Hamden Police Department is planning out a multiyear program.	We have not spent any funds yet.
Hampton	\$ 4,266.55	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,402.94	No	Consensus at selectmen's meetings	addiction recovery, primary care, domestic violence, family services, senior services, business and	donation to United Services, Inc Dayville, CT	supporting individuals experiencing substance abuse mental health issues homelessness
Hartford	\$ 953,223.63	\$ 341,641.04	\$ 620,045.10	No	Funds expended in FY24 were for a continuation of services begun in FY23.	Men who have been justice impacted and suffering from addiction.	Provided housing to 9 to 10 previously incarcerated men impacted by addiction.	Completed first contract year of providing housing services to 9 to 10 affected men.

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Hartland	\$ 3,090.26	\$ 3,090.26	\$ -	Barkhamsted Canaan Colebrook Kent Morris Norfolk Warren Washington	Hartland allocated all abatement funds to the Northwest Hills Council of Government's Regional Opioid Response Fund (RORF). The RORF is overseen by a committee that consists of representation from the following sectors/organizations: harm-reduction, prevention, and treatment specialists, local EMTs, Chief Elected Officials, the Northwest CT Community Foundation, municipal social service providers, the Torrington Area Health District, persons with lived experience, and the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization. This group met quarterly to identify, develop, and implement evidence-based initiatives to address opioid use in our region.	The RORF Committee seeks to implement initiatives that are tailored to the needs of small, rural communities.	We developed a Leave Behind Kit program for ambulance crews located in participating towns. This initiative provided Leave Behind Kits to each crew after they had received training from one of our Committee members who is a harm-reduction and prevention specialist. The kits included 2 doses of naloxone, a CPR mask, disposable gloves, a resource card, and a connection card with a harm-reduction worker's contact information. Recognizing that EMS is a key stakeholder in not only identifying individuals with substance use concerns but also offering them resources related to harm reduction and treatment, the Committee felt this was a good way to spread awareness and resources, while also working to reduce the stigma associated with substance use. Abatement funds (pooled with the 8 other municipalities previously listed) were used to purchase supplies for 100 Leave Behind Kits, and 12 months' worth of harm reduction supplies for the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force (LCOTF), which deploys harm reduction rovers throughout the region to various locations.	This FY's major success was the support offered to LCOTF to purchase harm-reduction supplies. This support came at a time when the LCOTF's usual vendor had put a hold on supplies. The RORF was not only able to bridge this gap, but this also allowed LCOTF to purchase supplies that were not previously available to them, such as Xylazine-related wound supplies, and safe smoking supplies. Safe smoking supplies are used to encourage individuals who use substances to transition from injection to smoking to avoid wounds and infection.
Harwinton	\$ 1,371.46	\$ 1,121.60	\$ 249.86	No	The Town of Harwinton works with McCall Behavioral Center to determine the required deliverables. We then create a plan of action to implement the necessary purchases and trainings to comply with deliverable requirements.	Residents in Harwinton	We used the funds for educational purposes. We purchase useful items (chap sticks, hand sanitizers, etc.) with our mission statement and contact information (including website) for further resources.	There has been an increase of interest and awareness in the trainings for Narcan administration and QPR. Prior to COVID we were holding monthly meetings at our EMS building. We are in the process of restarting those programs again in the near future.

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Hebron	\$ 17,294.16	\$ 2,656.70	\$ 14,637.46	No	Our municipality worked closely with our region's Youth and Family Services bureau, AHM Youth & Family Services, to determine ways in which we could support opioid education and prevention as well as mental health supports for our residents.	These funds were used to education youth and young adults about the dangers of opioids and also focused on providing QPR and Narcan training to those who are over the age of 18. We also used this funding to provide our adult population with education around substance use challenges and the importance of reaching out for help and support through community resources.	The Town of Hebron has worked with AHM Youth and Family Services to bring speaker Stephen Hill to the give a community presentation focusing on his journey through addiction. This presentation scheduled for October 2024 will also include an assembly for our regional high school's juniors and seniors and a professional development session for our regional high school and middle school faculty.	Bringing Stephen Hill to the area will occur the same week as our Town's National Take Back Day. Focusing 3-days around opioids awareness and ways to support those in our community who may be struggling, break down the stigma, and educate our residents about community supports that are available will be a huge success.

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Kent	\$ 8,304.51	\$ 8,304.51	\$ -	Barkhamsted Canaan Colebrook Hartland Morris Norfolk Warren Washington	Kent allocated all abatement funds to the Northwest Hills Council of Government's Regional Opioid Response Fund (RORF). The RORF is overseen by a committee that consists of representation from the following sectors/organizations: harm-reduction, prevention, and treatment specialists, local EMTs, Chief Elected Officials, the Northwest CT Community Foundation, municipal social service providers, the Torrington Area Health District, persons with lived experience, and the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization. This group met quarterly to identify, develop, and implement evidence-based initiatives to address opioid use in our region.	The RORF Committee seeks to implement initiatives that are tailored to the needs of small, rural communities.	We developed a Leave Behind Kit program for ambulance crews located in participating towns. This initiative provided Leave Behind Kits to each crew after they had received training from one of our Committee members who is a harm-reduction and prevention specialist. The kits included 2 doses of naloxone, a CPR mask, disposable gloves, a resource card, and a connection card with a harm-reduction worker's contact information. Recognizing that EMS is a key stakeholder in not only identifying individuals with substance use concerns but also offering them resources related to harm reduction and treatment, the Committee felt this was a good way to spread awareness and resources, while also working to reduce the stigma associated with substance use. Abatement funds (pooled with the 8 other municipalities previously listed) were used to purchase supplies for 100 Leave Behind Kits, and 12 months' worth of harm reduction supplies for the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force (LCOTF), which deploys harm reduction rovers throughout the region to various locations.	This FY's major success was the support offered to LCOTF to purchase harm-reduction supplies. This support came at a time when the LCOTF's usual vendor had put a hold on supplies. The RORF was not only able to bridge this gap, but this also allowed LCOTF to purchase supplies that were not previously available to them, such as Xylazine-related wound supplies, and safe smoking supplies. Safe smoking supplies are used to encourage individuals who use substances to transition from injection to smoking to avoid wounds and infection.
Killingly	\$ 66,388.68	\$ -	\$ 125,305.18	No	We have meet with our fiscal subcommittee to create a plan and program design for a use of funds on January 29 2024. The committee is currently investigating agencies that will service specific program initiatives surrounding newborns impacted by opioid use and inpatient support services as demonstrated by needs identified within our community	We are looking to service all populations within our community.	We are currently designing a program no funds have yet been used.	We are currently designing a program no funds have yet been used.

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Killingworth	\$ 28,793.46	\$ -	\$ 28,793.46	No	The Board of Selectmen plan to work with regional Youth & Family Services and Resident State Trooper to develop and coordinate appropriate programs and/or use of these funds.	We hope to use funds in a manner that would serve as broad a section of our population as possible.	na	na
Lebanon	\$ 29,809.83	\$ 5,971.14	\$ 36,463.82	No	Reached out to Public Safety (police & fire), Social Services and Senior Center departments to request their input on assessing the needs/wants to help the residents of Lebanon with the Opioid Settlement funds.	All residents will be served.	We purchased 4 AED's and cases for fire fighters and ambulance staff	We have increased the number of AED's for public safety personnel around town, so if an AED is needed, the timeframe for accessing one is quicker.
Ledyard	\$ 147,003.59	\$ 6,166.84	\$ 140,836.75	No	Our municipality sought community partners to best utilize these funds. It was a slow, ramp-up process but will start disbursing funds into more vetted community-based organizations in the coming three months.	We chose to focus on 12-15 year olds as this appears to be a time where peer pressure ramps up and kids begin to gravitate towards both good and bad. We aim to redirect to good only.	Thus far, we have utilized a regional partner to provide addiction services, counseling, Narcan trainings and school based use prevention discussions.	The school based prevention discussions have been extremely positive and kids are understanding the reasoning behind avoidance of these drugs.

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Lisbon	\$ 4,291.08	\$ 456.04	\$ 26,147.22	No	The Town coordinated with the Town's School on determining the uses for the opioid settlement funds	Students in grades K-8	In addition to the purchase of Naloxone Overdose Emergency Kit Cabinets for the safe storage of Naloxone, the Town's School hosted a field trip to the local Hospital for the students to learn the effects of opioid and alcohol use; opioid funds were utilized for the cost of bus transportation.	The School field trip was a great success and it has been determined that this will be an annual event.
Litchfield	\$ 37,791.35	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 27,791.35	No	Identified organizations that either work to reduce drug use or are actively involved in drug treatment and consulting.	Served all population in need drug treatment.	Gave funds to organizations that deals with drug treatment and counseling.	The two organizations has shown great success, they are 1. Greenwoods counselling and 2. North West Hill Council of Government.
Lyme	\$ 355.45	\$ 355.45	\$ -	No	Lyme's settlement funds go to the Youth Services Bureau for anti-drug education.	Youthful population age 8 - 18.	All funds are provided to the Youth Services Bureau to conduct anti-drug education.	The Youth Services Bureau has conducted successful anti-drug use education.
Madison	\$ 82,422.58	\$ -	\$ 144,258.00	No	We had continued internal discussions and discussed potential collaborations with other towns.	We are still considering the possible uses for our abatement funding.	We did not use funds in FY 24	We have decided to engage an outside consulting group to do a comprehensive community needs assessment related to opioids in our area. We plan to use that data to create a plan for our funds.
Manchester	\$ 151,184.29	\$ 20,489.22	\$ 264,863.25	Vernon	The Town of Manchester has a Opioid Settlement Funds working group that meets on a monthly basis and consists of organizations and community members with expertise in prevention, mitigation, harm reductions and others.	Youth prevention, mitigation and prevention. Harm reduction.	In FY24 the Town of Manchester focused our efforts on providing essential prevention, mitigation, recovery and other services to youths.	The Town of Manchester worked hard in FY24 to form a working group with the sole purpose of bringing relevant stakeholders together to plan for the meaningful use of abatement funds.

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Mansfield	\$ 33,197.65	\$ -	\$ 62,658.82	No	Mansfield experienced turnover in the Director of Human Services position in FY24. The new Director is currently getting acclimated with the Town and will assess how best to use the funds next year.	N/a - funds have not yet been spent.	N/a - did not use. Planning to use in FY25	n/a - did not use. Planning to use in FY25
Marlborough	\$ 8,313.75	\$ -	\$ 20,420.47	No	N/A	N/A	Has not used	N/A
Meriden	\$ 200,881.80	\$ -	\$ 200,881.80	No	Funds are targeted for July 1, 2024 thru Fiscal Year 2025. Funds will be utilized for Embedded Clinician at the Police Department (currently under with Hartford Healthcare Rushford Hospital).	None	Expenditures began July 1, 2025.	Expenditures begin July 1, 2025
Middlebury	\$ 2,995.88	\$ -	\$ 7,358.56	No	No funds were allocated in FY24	Under review	No abatement funds were expended in FY24	Nothing to report as funds have yet to be used
Middlefield	\$ 776.11	\$ -	\$ 776.11	No	In concert with the Durham-Middlefield Youth and Family Services, funds will be allocated to those groups identified as being most at risk	Middlefield youth and families.	N/A	N/A

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Middletown	\$ 332,076.35	\$ 7,099.73	\$ 324,976.62	No	An ad hoc committee was formed within the Greater Middletown Opioid Task Force to devise a plan for spending settlement funds.	Our goal in FY24 was to improve access to naloxone in the community. Supplies were purchased to assemble naloxone leave-behind kits.	Funds were used to purchase Narcan and supplies to assemble emergency leave-behind kits. Kits will be distributed to emergency responders in Middletown to give to people impacted by opioid overdoses and their friends/family members following an overdose incident.	The creation of an hoc opioid settlement subcommittee within the Greater Middletown Opioid Task Force is a highlight. Subcommittee members were tasked with devising a plan for spending settlement funding. A community needs survey was developed to survey community members impacted by the opioid epidemic to identify strengths and weaknesses in community services. The task force also recommended that a portion of the settlement funding be used to offer grant funding to agencies to support projects that are in conformance with Exhibit E in the Settlement Agreement.

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Milford	\$ 197,700.70	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 385,217.15	No	In order to allocate funds, the City of Milford worked with our Collaborative on Opioid and Overdose Response to determine service gaps and necessary allocations specific to opioid misuse prevention, treatment, and recovery services. After meeting, allocations were approved to be directed to Bridges Healthcare, Inc. and Milford Prevention Council with specific deliverables outlined.	The allocated funds target individuals in the City of Milford at risk for Opioid Use Disorder in the general community. Additionally, funds will be directed towards specific outreach activities in areas where at-risk, vulnerable populations frequent. Prevention funds will be targeted towards youth in the community, as well as families and caregivers of individuals with history of mental health challenges and/or substance use disorders.	The City of Milford abatement funds have been targeted towards prevention programs, treatment, and harm reduction strategies. Specific to prevention, the focus has been targeted towards primary and secondary prevention among youth including presentations for high risk youth from individuals with lived experience as well as nalaxone training & dispensing in the community. Relative to treatment, funds have been utilized to expand access to and improve retention on methadone and buprenorphine. Specific strategies used include expansion of service hours and location of the Bridges' Healthcare Mobile Addiction Treatment Team to make same-day initiation on buprenorphine treatment, regardless of insurance status or ability to pay, peer follow up, and referral to wrap around services.	The City of Milford's greatest success related to abatement funds has been sustained work through Milford's Collaborative on Opioid and Overdose Response (COOR). Through COOR's efforts, funds have been allocated to address services gaps with a focus on harm reduction strategies within the community, academic detailing amongst prescribers, and treatment expansion for individuals with Opioid Use Disorder.
Monroe	\$ 46,749.35	\$ 14,797.45	\$ 73,439.51	No	Internal discussion between First Selectman and Superintendent of Schools on how to make a substantial impact on opioid addiction with students and parents.	Highschool students and parents	Hired Herren Talks for a speaking program at the high school. One in the evening for parents and the second during the day for students.	This is difficult to gage but we received positive strong feedback from the community after the presentations.
Montville	\$ 63,016.43	\$ 57,115.84	\$ 61,737.89	No	Our team looked at data related to opioid use & overdoses in our community in determining the use of abatement funds	Youth ages 14-18	We continue to use abatement funds in prevention work, education, treatment services, harm reduction programs & readily available Narcan	More of our youth are seeking treatment services due to having them available in our school district & we have collected a total of over 3,500 pounds of unused or expired medications at our Drug Take Back Days!

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Morris	\$ 991.35	\$ 991.35	\$ -	Barkhamsted Canaan Colebrook Hartland Kent Norfolk Warren Washington	Morris allocated all abatement funds to the Northwest Hills Council of Government's Regional Opioid Response Fund (RORF). The RORF is overseen by a committee that consists of representation from the following sectors/organizations: harm-reduction, prevention, and treatment specialists, local EMTs, Chief Elected Officials, the Northwest CT Community Foundation, municipal social service providers, the Torrington Area Health District, persons with lived experience, and the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization. This group met quarterly to identify, develop, and implement evidence-based initiatives to address opioid use in our region.	The RORF Committee seeks to implement initiatives that are tailored to the needs of small, rural communities.	With that in mind, we developed a Leave Behind Kit program for ambulance crews located in participating towns. This initiative provided Leave Behind Kits to each crew after they had received training from one of our Committee members who is a harm reduction and prevention specialist. The kits included 2 doses of naloxone, a CPR mask, disposable gloves, a resource card, and a connection card with harm-reduction worker's contact information. Recognizing that EMS is a key stakeholder in not only identifying individuals with substance use concerns but also offering them resources related to harm reduction and treatment, the Committee felt this was a good way to spread awareness and resources, while also working to reduce stigma associated with substance use. Abatement funds (pooled with the 8 other municipalities previously listed) were used to purchase supplies for 100 Leave Behind Kits, and 12 months' worth of harm reduction supplies for the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force, which deploys harm reduction rovers throughout the region to various locations.	This FY's major success was the support offered to LCOTF to purchase harm-reduction supplies. This support came at a time when the LCOTF's usual vendor had put a hold on supplies. The RORF was not only able to bridge this gap, but this also allowed LCOTF to purchase supplies that were not previously available to them, such as Xylazine-related wound supplies, and safe smoking supplies. Safe smoking supplies are used to encourage individuals who use substances to transition from injection to smoking to avoid wounds and infection.
Naugatuck	\$ 115,528.53	\$ -	\$ 218,054.05	No	Employ a certified Recovery Coach to provide guidance and support to individuals and families affected by substance use disorders. Collaborate with local organizations and community groups funded by the opioid settlement to facilitate workshops, support groups, and recovery activities. Maintain communication with the BON to report on program effectiveness and community engagement.	provide guidance and support to individuals and families affected by substance use disorders.	Planning for FY 2025 provide guidance and support to individuals and families affected by substance use disorders.	Planning for FY 2025 provide guidance and support to individuals and families affected by substance use disorders.

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New Britain	\$ 241,762.36	\$ 109,173.09	\$ 132,589.27	No	In New Britain we have various task forces and executive committees embedded within our NB Recovers initiatives. The committees, the Mayor's office, and the Community Service division work together to develop plans for the abatement funds.	All populations were included in the services that were provided. Public education and campaigns were translated in multiple languages. All ages were addressed through prevention and recovery programming.	We invested funds into prevention efforts by: 1. Partnering with the Police Department and training officers on school-based curriculum for 5th graders called Communities, creating, change (C3.) This is an 8 module program that teaches protective factors and helps identify risk factors as a way to prepare our youth with refusal skills if and when they encounter an unsafe situation (which also includes substances.) 2. We invested in PSAs and public education campaigns including "I can You can NARCAN" and our "limit access" commercials that were aired on statewide television along with a social marketing campaign. This also included postcard mailing to all residents in the city of New Britain and a training video on how to use Narcan (which can be found on our website.) 3. Maintain a resource website www.nbrecover.org and www.nbyouthprevention.com	1. Reduction of Overdose deaths (in NB) by 50% in July 2024 compared to July 2023 2. Reached over 2 million impressions with our "I can, You can, Narcan" campaign
New Canaan	\$ 66,598.04	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 161,079.87	No	The Human Services Department, in collaboration with the Human Services Commission and the First Selectman, devised a plan to allocate the funds. The majority of the allocation/disbursements will occur in FY25.	All populations served	Support parents and family members who have first-hand experience in dealing with substance use issues.	Minimum funds spent in FY 24 with a greater impact expected in FY 25.
New Fairfield	\$ 32,147.88	\$ -	\$ 32,147.88	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
New Hartford	\$ 14,364.17	\$ -	\$ 14,364.17	No	Typical Municipal Budget Process - Board of Selectmen, Board of Finance, Town Approval	All residents will benefit from our allocation.		N/A

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New Haven	\$ 599,148.43	\$ 151.27	598,997.16	No	RFPs were drafted to fund projects related to opioid use disorder prevention and treatment, housing for individuals with opioid use disorder, and harm reduction services.	RFPs drafted and services provided were available to any individual in New Haven with a substance use disorder.	The \$151 was used to post RFPs for work that will be funded in FY 25 for settlement fund activities.	N/A
New London	\$ 17,567.55	\$ 16,715.00	\$ 81,550.20	No	The City, which Co-Chairs the Overdose Action Team, along with Ledge Light Health District and the Alliance for Living, make recommendations to the Mayor. Recommendations are evidence based, data and science driven.	We have served many different populations in New London. Our Navigators review data where overdoses take place and spend considerable time engaging with people all over the community in many different locations. We have a firm commitment to advancing health equity in the broader community and in this initiative. Our outreach reflects the diversity of the New London community. Our outreach workers who are part of the community have been successful in engaging typically underrepresented communities across programs.	We have intentionally and strategically activated the settlement funds to close the gap between other external funding streams related to the overdose crisis	We have reduced overdose deaths as a result of nalaxone saturation and expanded community education as a result of the installation of public sharps containers. The result has been an increase in safety and harm reduction efforts
New Milford	\$ 114,670.54	\$ 3,795.37	\$ 110,875.17	No	The Town of New Milford identifies the specific needs and challenges in the community related to opioid use and its impacts.	Served all the population.	New Milford Police Department helped facilitate a 5K run with BrianCodyslaw.org.	This is one of New Milford's biggest events. Opioid prevention education reaches over 28,110.

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Newington	\$ 77,410.87	\$ -	\$ 146,108.98	No	We are still gathering information and reaching out to other municipalities to explore collaboration.	We are still assessing this.	We did not use any funds yet.	N/A
Newtown	\$ 63,597.86	\$ 4,398.00	\$ 100,417.40	No	There is a Prevention Council staffed by community groups, town staff, and law enforcement representatives to strategize use of funds.	General preventative messaging.	Preventative messaging to the community and planning efforts.	Improved community engagement and partnership with local groups.
Norfolk	\$ 4,399.33	\$ 4,399.33	\$ -	Barkhamsted Canaan Colebrook Hartland Kent Morris Warren Washington	Norfolk allocated all abatement funds to the Northwest Hills Council of Government's Regional Opioid Response Fund (RORF). The RORF is overseen by a committee that consists of representation from the following sectors/organizations: harm-reduction, prevention, and treatment specialists, local EMTs, Chief Elected Officials, the Northwest CT Community Foundation, municipal social service providers, the Torrington Area Health District, persons with lived experience, and the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization. This group met quarterly to identify, develop, and implement evidence-based initiatives to address opioid use in our region.	The RORF Committee seeks to implement initiatives that are tailored to the needs of small, rural communities.	With that in mind, we developed a Leave Behind Kit program for ambulance crews located in participating towns. This initiative provided Leave Behind Kits to each crew after they had received training from one of our Committee members who is a harm reduction and prevention specialist. The kits included 2 doses of naloxone, a CPR mask, disposable gloves, a resource card, and a connection card with harm-reduction worker's contact information. Recognizing that EMS is a key stakeholder in not only identifying individuals with substance use concerns but also offering them resources related to harm reduction and treatment, the Committee felt this was a good way to spread awareness and resources, while also working to reduce stigma associated with substance use. Abatement funds (pooled with the 8 other municipalities previously listed) were used to purchase supplies for 100 Leave Behind Kits, and 12 months' worth of harm reduction supplies for the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force, which deploys harm reduction rovers throughout the region to various locations.	This FY's major success was the support offered to LCOTF to purchase harm-reduction supplies. This support came at a time when the LCOTF's usual vendor had put a hold on supplies. The RORF was not only able to bridge this gap, but this also allowed LCOTF to purchase supplies that were not previously available to them, such as Xylazine-related wound supplies, and safe smoking supplies. Safe smoking supplies are used to encourage individuals who use substances to transition from injection to smoking to avoid wounds and infection.
North Branford	\$ 49,216.02	\$ -	\$ 95,407.93	No	We convened a Local Wellness Council	We are still trying to determine appropriate items to expend the funds on.	We haven't spend any of the funds yet	N/A

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North Canaan	\$ 9,071.95	\$ -	\$ 9,071.95	No	No funds were used yet	no funds used yet	no funds used	no funds used
North Haven	\$ 85,985.94	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 144,293.88	No	We partnered with BH Care to identify and engage clients in need of opioid use disorder services, thorough an engagement specialist. to also create a campaign to raise awareness and provide available resources for people with opioid use disorder.	the focus of the funds is geared towards any individual in need of opioid disorder services.	The Town of North Haven has used the abatement funds to raise awareness and provide the support needed for individuals with opioid use disorder.	This has been an enormous resource for our town .
North Stonington	\$ 19,578.16	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 14,578.16	No	I have spoken with our local health district (Ledge Light Health District). I have also spoken with local organizations that provide counseling as well as other assistance in this area.	Peoples in recovery that would need counseling.	So far we have allocated \$5,000.00 to Reliance Health out of Norwich CT. we are looking for additional ways to allocate our unspent funds.	Reliance Health has reported back to us that they have helped some North Stonington residents.
Norwalk	\$ 154,855.97	\$ -	\$ 424,351.29	No	We are still in the planning phase to determine specifics of how funding will be spent.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Norwich	\$ 126,323.84	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 237,829.04	No	City Manager asked departments for proposals on how to use opioid funds and presented his recommendation to the City Council for approval at a public meeting.	The educational marketing and outreach we did was Prevention-specific and geared towards youth and seniors. The clients we serve are all ages and demographics.	We used the professional development allocation to pay for three Human Services Staff to attend the CDC's National Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America training conferences over three weeks in Boston. Anti-drug coalitions like the Norwich Prevention Council are funded by the CDC to focus on youth prevention but given the majority of overdoses in Norwich are seniors, efforts have been directed towards that population. These efforts include Awareness Campaigns, Narcan Trainings, and Groups co-managed by the Senior Center's in-house Nurse who is co-funded by Hartford HealthCare. As noted, the educational marketing and outreach allocation was Prevention-specific and geared towards youth and seniors. We also used these funds to pay for Recovery Coaches at Reliance Health. They provide motivational engagement, inspirational support, and connections and linkages to resources for individuals who experience problems or stressors in their day-to-day life due to their relationship with drugs and/or alcohol.	The final allocation of funding was used to directly financially assist clients experiencing substance use disorder, largely for transportation to treatment. We've mapped recent overdoses in the City which drove the strategy behind choosing where to post up free Narcan distribution boxes. When DMHAS emptied them due to recent, inhibiting State legislation, the Task Force teamed up with local convenience stores to distribute free Narcan. We've held two special Opioid Task Force Meetings with local and Federal Legislators to raise awareness, demonstrate best practices, and garner ongoing fiscal support.
Old Lyme	\$ 3,617.21	\$ -	\$ 6,005.12	No	We are putting together a committee working with the local Police dept and Library	the committee is looking to education all age groups	We have not	We are still in the process of determining how to use the funds

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Old Saybrook	\$ 45,379.61	\$ 3,932.38	\$ 90,274.72	Clinton Guilford Lyme Madison Westbrook	Through regional meetings with collaborative partners we discussed areas of need for us, locally and regionally, and the list of approved projects to determine where to allocate these resources to reduce and/or eliminate redundancies.	Piloted a program at The Estuary Senior Center (serves 9 towns) to provide Opioid Prevention Awareness, medication storage & safe disposal, & education around accidental overdose by themselves, or perhaps grandchildren visiting if medications are not properly stored. The other population was municipal employees from all departments as we all come in contact with residents and visitors in the business of our daily work, and we provided Opioid Awareness and NARCAN training for 22 Old Saybrook town employees. We also had available drug disposal bags, and medication lockboxes	Old Saybrook piloted the senior citizen center training, providing education and resources around safe storage of opioid-related medications and safe disposal methods. We also piloted the municipal employee training that other communities are looking to replicate. During National Prevention Week, we held several youth programs within the schools to educate students around larger topics of substance use disorder, with intentionaql focus soecifically on Opioids (prevention, treatment and resources of support)	I would say both the municipal employee training and the senior center training were huge successes. They were well-attended and folks displayed a level of interest and openness to the information. For many, it was the first time they had received this sort of presentation, and they had many questions, which we were able to address. Town Employees expressed gratitude for the training and inclusion of NARCAN in all of our department First Aid kits as a result of this training. They also received information about the Good Samaritan law and instructions on how to actually utilize this product in an emergency.
Orange	\$ 39,979.30	\$ -	\$ 75,458.84	No	Nothing in process	Town of Orange population is approximately 14,000 people.	n/a	n/a
Oxford	\$ 6,594.26	\$ 2,350.00	\$ 4,244.26	No	Have an Opiad Committee	All ages in Town	Prevention	Unknown
Plainfield	\$ 109,637.05	\$ -	\$ 109,637.05	No	Discussion with Plainfield BOE to use the funds to pay for a opiod program designed by Plainfield BOE.	High School program called "Project Courage"	Have not used any funds yet, was designated in March 2024 by Board of Selectman to be used by BOE	Have not started program yet

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Plainville	\$ 42,792.45	\$ 32,914.66	\$ 9,877.79	No	Education and training of Plainville Community School children, K-12, on opioid and drug abuse. Primarily in grades 6-12.	All populations	Education and training of school age children, and parents thereof, on opioids abuse through our Youth Services Department.	Training programs have been well attended, parent workshops also well attended. Word is out there we offer quality services and education on this matter.
Plymouth	\$ 45,729.22	\$ 3,479.42	\$ 42,249.80	No	Mayor and Finance Director sat down and discussed options of how to allocate funds appropriately.	All Populations within town. There was no discriminatory basis.	Overdose Kits purchased and other supplies	N/A
Pomfret	\$ 12,749.64	\$ -	\$ 24,064.29	Brooklyn Eastford Hampton Killingly Putnam	Partnering with other NECCOG towns has been explored for prevention and education programs.	Local populations as need identified. Programs not yet fully identified.	Not yet used	None at this time.
Portland	\$ 34,790.59	\$ 1,996.00	\$ 61,619.51	No	Some of the funds were used for advertising the Youth Service Prevention Council. Some funds were used for the purchase of Narcan to provide community training and outreach.	The general population of Portland CT	We used about 20% of the funds for advertising the Youth Service Prevention Council. We used the 80% on the purchase of Narcan for training and distribution to needed parties.	Prevention Council supported the advertising.
Preston	\$ 14,325.25	\$ -	\$ 14,325.25	No	Discussions were had with the Youth Service Bureau and regional partners to determine possible programming for qualified purposes.	n/a	None as the amount was nominal and we were waiting for the funds to accumulate so we could do more meaningful impactful programming.	n/a
Prospect	\$ 67,555.97	\$ -	\$ 67,555.97	Beacon Falls	Discussions have been in progress. No decisions have been	Focus is on school age children. No actions taken yet	Prospect is a small rural town. No funds used in fye 24	n/a
Putnam	\$ 32,052.62	\$ -	\$ 60,497.65	No	Have not yet determined allocation of funds.	Have not yet determined the population to be served.	Yet to be determined on how to use the funds.	Yet to be determined on how to use the funds.
Redding	\$ 18,737.58	\$ -	\$ 35,366.19	No	Not applicable. No funds allocated.	Not applicable. No funds allocated.	Not applicable. No funds allocated.	Not applicable. No funds allocated.

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Ridgefield	\$ 73,922.24	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 176,258.29	No	How best to contribute to the education about Opioid and other drugs use.	The youth and parents of our community.	We have used abatement funds in FY24 for what we call Circle Programs. These programs are for parents of 5th through 8th grade students to educate them on the warning signs of opioid and other drug addictions, as well as the proper storage of such drugs to keep them away from their kids.	More families are signing up for these Circle groups.
Rocky Hill	\$ 42,644.63	\$ 21,387.92	\$ 21,256.71	No	Focus has been awareness, prevention and outreach	Focus is on youth and families. Our outreach was available to public	Town organized a public prevention and awareness "palooza" with speakers and materials geared to the subject	Human services in conjunction with the Rocky Hill Police department had a successful event and will continue outreach and in-house services
Roxbury	\$ 411.60	\$ 411.60	\$ -	No	The Town decided to focus on the needs of our residents and community county wide. Greenwood's Counseling and Referrals in Litchfield CT receives funding annually from the Town for this purpose. They provide access to mental healthcare as well as provide Addiction Outreach and Recovery Programs.	Greenwood's serves all groups/individuals/populations within Litchfield County.	Offsetting expenditure of support of Greenwood's Counseling and Referrals Program	Greenwood's is a county supported Non-Profit Organization. They serve all residents of Litchfield County. Their successes are reported at the Northwest Hills Council of Gov'ts meetings. I do not have any to include here other than to say that Greenwood's is strongly supported and John Simoncelli the executive director does a fantastic job running Greenwood's.
Salem	\$ 11,669.72	\$ -	\$ 11,669.72	No	The planning process was discussed by the Board of Finance and is being developed to start using funds in FY 24/25	Funds have yet to be expended	N/A The Town of Salem has not used abatement funds yet. A plan is being developed to start using funds in FY 24/25	N/A The Town of Salem has not used these funds yet. The Town will start using the funds in FY 24/25

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Salisbury	\$ 21,555.59	\$ -	\$ 21,555.59	Canaan, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Sharon	Plan not yet completed	Plan not yet completed	Is in current discussions for full expenditure.	To be determined.
Scotland	\$ 4,289.38	\$ 4,465.47	\$ 2,907.27	No	Board of Selectmen discussion	Our efforts are bot focused on a specific population	Donations to drug addiction treatment centers and distribution of Narcan.	Life saving Narcan has been made available to residents and treatment options are available to those who need it.
Seymour	\$ 43,827.70	\$ -	\$ 43,827.70	No	Discussions with Director of emergency services and local non-profits	Those directly impacted by the opioid crisis in Town	None used	No funds used
Sharon	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Shelton	\$ 135,668.93	\$ -	\$ 135,668.93	No	There was a preliminary discussion with a local social services group.	Still being determined.	Funds were not used.	None
Sherman	\$ 5,365.69	\$ 5,365.69	\$ -	No	During the budget process miscellaneous town revenue including abatement funds was taken into account in planning and setting the budget.	The general town population of residents was served by these funds	We used the funds to support different social services programs, training and treatment efforts.	Able to support local population and groups focused on support and treatment
Simsbury	\$ 64,196.29	\$ 400.00	\$ 134,041.59	Avon Canton Farmington Granby	Narcan training has been identified as an organizational and community need in collaboration with the Police Department.	Funds supported training for Town staff in how to recognize and treat an overdose.	Funds supported training for Town staff in how to recognize and treat an overdose.	This training ensures that we have in-house capacity to utilize Narcan.

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Somers	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 53,800.00	No	We gathered information from our local fire department and police department about the history of opioid use in our town and then reached out to prevention and social services programs in neighboring towns to learn about the ways they have meet needs. Our program evaluation consultant also provided context. Our team of prevention, youth services, and social services staff weighed in on their experiences with community members in recovery and needs for stabilization of housing and other basic needs was prioritized, resulting in our pilot of providing social supports in the form of rental assistance.	Opioid funds supported housing stabilization for two households experiencing financial emergencies parallel to their recovery process. Funds provided helped stabilize housing for a total of five people: one family is comprised of a mother and a teen and the other household comprised of two adult parents and a 1 year old child.	Working with opioid users in recovery, we provided wrap around services to connect them to community resources such as the food pantry, energy assistance programs, and provided emergency rent assistance.	Our pilot of providing social services in the form of emergency rental assistance was piloted at the end of the current reporting period. We look forward to following these community members and to better identify the impact and future prospects for positive results.
South Windsor	\$ 79,347.96	\$ 10,296.84	\$ 121,235.35	No	A committee has been set up with members from Human Services and Police to plan use of funding.	Some efforts were focused on the teen population at South Windsor High School.	Funds were used to purchase medication disposal kits that SWHS students distribute to the community, Narcan Training and attended an anti-drug coalition.	Able to help the Police Department in their effort to keep unused prescribed medication out of homes by offering disposal kits and prescription takeback events. Provided three Narcan Trainings for 42 people.
Southbury	\$ 4,352.33	\$ 4,352.33	\$ -	No	Legal fees and help	All ages	Abatement of opiod usage in the community	None to report so far

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Southington	\$ 105,093.47	\$ 4,224.00	\$ 100,869.47	Yes but not identified	The local prevention coalition and police department meet with the Town Manager to plan the allocation of the funds.	Some of our efforts focus on primary prevention in all 5th grade classrooms in our Town.	Our coalition has developed a prevention curriculum delivered in all 5th grade classrooms. We were able to use abatement funds to broaden the lessons in the curriculum to include opioid and prescription medication prevention, as well as fund Southington Police Officers delivering the lessons.	Successful delivery of C3: Communities Creating Change, a prevention curriculum.
Sprague	\$ 9,493.51	\$ 25.75	\$ 17,892.75	No	Due to the small size of Sprague, we are looking to meet with other like-sized municipalities in the near future to explore the best way to allocate abatement funds.	N/A	Held Suicide Prevention and Narcan Training seminar with refreshments.	N/A
Stafford	\$ 31,124.23	\$ -	\$ 69,407.62	No	Will are still planning and considering highest and best use.	Diverse population of ethnic and characteristics.	We are still reviewing and considering our options.	To be determined.

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Stamford	\$ 282,803.69	\$ 282,803.69	\$ -	No	The City of Stamford issued a competitive RFP to engage services for eligible support activities. Funding has been awarded to Liberation Programs.	Expand training for first responders, schools, community support groups, and families. Provide education to school-based and youth-focused programs that discourage or prevent misuse. Funding for media campaigns to prevent opioid use. Funding for evidence-based prevention programs in schools.	Expand training for first responders, schools, community support groups, and families. Provide education to school-based and youth-focused programs that discourage or prevent misuse. Funding for media campaigns to prevent opioid use. Funding for evidence-based prevention programs in schools.	The City of Stamford entered into an agreement with Liberation Programs for FY24 to expand education and training efforts for professionals and youth.
Sterling	\$ 25,320.69	\$ -	\$ 25,320.69	No	n/a	small community -	None have been used	n/a
Stonington	\$ 60,527.81	\$ 11,055.00	\$ 106,344.44	No	The Stonington Prevention Council (which is comprised of local government officials, school district, first responders, other community stake holders) conducted a needs assessment to meet gaps in current services/prevention programs.	Stonington Public School District.	Prevention assembly/presentation for grades 7th-12th-The Chris Herren Project.	Spawned productive dialogue between students and administration regarding current substance abuse trends and treatment options within the district.

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Stratford	\$ 99,369.77	\$ 3,595.00	\$ 183,960.25	No	We focused our attention on creating a campaign leading up to International Overdose Awareness week (and day), with a video testimonial from a mother who lost a son to opioid addiction, which was released on our website and across social media. This was done in FY24 and has been carried over as we continue in FY25 to expand on our Narcan trainings, public outreach, and general goal of increasing awareness and ending the stigma of asking for help, whether it be for an individual struggling or someone who has an individual in their life struggling with opioid addiction.	While the majority of our efforts are for the entirety of our residents in the Town of Stratford, our outreach seemed to reach or impact positively those who were families with children, youth/students, and parents/grandparents and caretakers.	We were able to create a section of our municipality's website dedicated to increasing awareness of community resources. This was part of how we expanded upon our initial uses of the abatement funds with added community outreach through Narcan trainings and other community events where we provided information and support to residents.	We saw an overall lift in community involvement during events where we provided resources and guided residents to the section of the website where they were able to find resources. We were able to create a highly successful campaign of ending the stigma and increasing community conversation and understanding of opioid misuse, overdoses, and education on how to support those in need.
Suffield	\$ 36,931.61	\$ 2,438.28	\$ 66,621.27	No	The funds are intended to be used for education, outreach, emergency services, and community involvement.	Members of the population served are residents and stakeholders of Suffield	Suffield held a Sock Hop event where attendees took a pledge to remain drug free.	Event was successful in providing programming as an alternative to drug use, securing pledges to remain drug free from residents and was well attended. The age of attendees ranged from 1 to 87.
Thomaston	\$ 28,913.93	\$ -	\$ 50,347.18	No	Have not determined the best way to allocate the funds	n/a	n/a	n/a
Thompson	\$ 24,980.53	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 19,980.53	No	The use of abatement funds was discussed at length during the Town's budget process.	Youth	Abatement funds were used in support of local agencies providing services to children affected by addiction.	The impact of addiction on the children of Thompson was lessened through the use of these funds.

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Tolland	\$ 47,125.36	\$ -	\$ 105,171.69	No	<p>The Human Services Department & Tolland Mental Health and Substance Use Advisory Task Force (10/27/20-10/24/23) was exploring the best use of funds. The Task Force identified 2 areas of need for Tolland: community education & engagement and the need for expanded resources and services. The Task Force recommended hiring a Prevention Coordinator/Specialist to provide case management & community education. The Assistant Director of Human Services attended statewide meetings with other municipalities to discuss how to appropriately utilize the funds to create sustainable programs that will have a lasting effect in their communities. Most communities are seeking to engage a Program Coordinator/Specialist. Tolland has a unique opportunity, as the Human Services Case Manager, who has Bachelor's in Social Work, is currently undergoing credentialing as a Prevention Specialist thus being capable of providing these needed and recommended services for the town. The position is currently a 25 hour position. The Human Services Department recommended to increase</p>	To provide community wide education and engagement and expand resources and services to those in need.	We are still in the planning phase and have not expended any of the funds as of the end of June, 2024. We plan to begin using them in 2024-25 fiscal year.	n/a

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Torrington	\$ 148,174.61	\$ -	\$ 148,174.61	Yes but not identified	Funds have not been allocated, but the plan is to use them to hire a Social Worker. Funds are also going to be used to purchase a UTV and trailer.	We have not expended any funds, but the goal is to hire a social worker who will assist in anyone needing aid, especially related to Opioid use. The UTV and trailer the police department plans to purchase will be used to access individuals who cannot be accessed through an ambulance.	Our municipality has not used abatement funds yet. Currently, we are in the process of hiring a social worker. We are also looking to purchase a UTV and trailer	We have not expended any funds yet.

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Trumbull	\$ 82,677.85	\$ -	\$ 184,515.72	No	The Town of Trumbull will use the Strategic Prevention Framework, a public health model, to plan for the allocation of abatement funds. We have designated our local prevention council (TPAUD, Trumbull's Prevention Partnership) and its staff to lead the coordination and planning for the spending of the abatement funds, as they have experience conducting needs assessments and identifying strategies that will support prevention, recovery, and treatment in our town. We will engage in further planning activities in FY25.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Union	\$ 1,670.79	\$ 1,323.15	\$ 347.64	No	Discussion in Selectman's meeting.	Students at Union Elementary school	To fund education	N/A

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Vernon	\$ 76,268.08	\$ 1,420.94	\$ 112,815.12	No	A committee of municipal stakeholders as well as local businesses and subject matter experts brainstormed and assessed information about drug use in our community and possible means of mitigating it. We decided we wanted a global approach that focused on prevention, linking people experiencing addiction with help, harm reduction, drug take back events and assistance to families with loved ones experiencing addiction. Out of these discussions came the idea for the Connection Beats Addiction Campaign. When we say Connection Beats Addiction, our idea was that being connected to others through athletics, a shared hobby or interest	It is our view that opioid addiction is a threat to all members of our community and we seek to reach and serve our entire community through the Connection Beats Addiction campaign. National Night Out tends to attract families with school age children who are seeking school supplies, residents of the Rockville section of Vernon who tend to be economically disadvantaged and teens. Because of the participation of the MMA fighters we also had significant attendance by young men in their late teens, 20s and 30s, a group hit hard by the opioid epidemic.	The committee developed a community-building campaign launch event that incorporated trained and professional mixed martial artists from different genres. Some of the fighters would conduct demonstrations for the audience on a stage. The demonstrations would include aspects of their particular craft. Outside of the stage, attendees would be able to get autographs from and pictures taken with the professional fighters. There would be town and local agencies offering education materials and services anti-opioid message for our community	The launch of the Connecticut Beats Addiction campaign began in FY 24, and continued into the new fiscal year with additional resources and the event taking place. We will report back next year with updated performance metrics.
Voluntown	\$ 9,109.14	\$ -	\$ 9,109.14	Griswold	We are still in the process of figuring out how to spend the money	We have not expended any funds to date	We have not used any funds yet	N/A

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Wallingford	\$ 149,331.72	\$ 60,851.00	\$ 204,866.44	No	The Health Department and the Youth & Social Services Department have collaborated to use the funding.	The Town efforts are not focused on a specific population.	Education	Education
Warren	\$ 4,856.65	\$ 4,856.65	\$ -	Barkhamsted Canaan Colebrook Hartland Kent Morris Norfolk Washington	Warren allocated all abatement funds to the Northwest Hills Council of Government's Regional Opioid Response Fund (RORF). The RORF is overseen by a committee that consists of representation from the following sectors/organizations: harm-reduction, prevention, and treatment specialists, local EMTs, Chief Elected Officials, the Northwest CT Community Foundation, municipal social service providers, the Torrington Area Health District, persons with lived experience, and the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization. This group met quarterly to identify, develop, and implement evidence-based initiatives to address opioid use in our region.	The RORF Committee seeks to implement initiatives that are tailored to the needs of small, rural communities.	With that in mind, we developed a Leave Behind Kit program for ambulance crews located in participating towns. This initiative provided Leave Behind Kits to each crew after they had received training from one of our Committee members who is a harm reduction and prevention specialist. The kits included 2 doses of naloxone, a CPR mask, disposable gloves, a resource card, and a connection card with harm-reduction worker's contact information. Recognizing that EMS is a key stakeholder in not only identifying individuals with substance use concerns but also offering them resources related to harm reduction and treatment, the Committee felt this was a good way to spread awareness and resources, while also working to reduce stigma associated with substance use. Abatement funds (pooled with the 8 other municipalities previously listed) were used to purchase supplies for 100 Leave Behind Kits, and 12 months' worth of harm reduction supplies for the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force, which deploys harm reduction rovers throughout the region to various locations.	This FY's major success was the support offered to LCOTF to purchase harm-reduction supplies. This support came at a time when the LCOTF's usual vendor had put a hold on supplies. The RORF was not only able to bridge this gap, but this also allowed LCOTF to purchase supplies that were not previously available to them, such as Xylazine-related wound supplies, and safe smoking supplies. Safe smoking supplies are used to encourage individuals who use substances to transition

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Waterbury	\$ 501,339.23	\$ 81,490.74	\$ 790,975.70	No	<p>The City of Waterbury undertook an intentional series of meetings with community-based substance use disorder providers to gauge their reach in the community, to better understand the landscape of service provision and to engage them in thoughtful dialogue about gaps. The group then had a meeting with several state representatives to convey to the city's legislative delegation some of the challenges with Medicaid reimbursement, workforce, and issues with service provision. The Opioid Task Force Coordinator was responsible for the communication with this stakeholder group, coordination of the meetings and summary of proceedings of the meetings. The Coordinator issued a letter to the legislators based on the conclusions arrived at over the course of the fall of 2023 so they would be well-positioned to represent these issues during the legislative session. The Opioid Taskforce Coordinator attended all Connecticut Opioid Response Initiative meetings with the co-chair, Mayor Emeritus Neil O'Leary, so that the city can remain</p>	<p>The City of Waterbury serves all populations in the Priority populations identified for use of funds over the past year include but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Residents with Substance Use Disorder •Residents experiencing Homeless •Sex Workers •Residents with mental or behavioral health co-morbidities <p>Abatement funds in the past year have supported the Opioid Task Force Coordinator position that is shared between the WHD and the Mayor's Office along with associated program support costs.</p>	<p>In early 2024, the Coordinator relocated offices to the Waterbury Health Department (WHD) to closer to the harm and Risk Reduction activities led by WHD. In reviewing the CORE report recommendations, the Coordinator focused efforts on assessing the City's capacity for bystander response to overdose. At that time, the WHD Overdose Data to Action team was making Narcan trainings available in the community, training people on bystander CPR and management of overdose, and training individuals in harm reduction techniques such as testing product for fentanyl and xylazine. She undertook an assessment of existing Narcan availability in the city and examined overdose location data, identifying hot spots in the city where overdoses were concentrated. The research included assessment of various box types, considerations of placement and temperature control needs. She worked with the WHD Overdose Response Technicians to reach out to businesses in those areas such as restaurants, smoke shops and bodegas to offer them Naloxone rescue boxes.</p>	<p>Highlights of the past year's efforts include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The use of funds to support meetings with mental health and substance use disorder providers to identify gaps •A meeting where these providers were able to voice their concerns to state legislators ahead of the 2024 session. •A letter that was drafted to summarize their recommendations for policy change that would impact Waterbury but improve conditions for providers across the state. •An unpaid internship through the Connecticut Department of Public Health for two bachelor's of public health students to help map the locations of overdose to identify businesses well-suited to have Naloxone Emergency Boxes and assess the options for the boxes (size, placement, capacity). This project is ongoing and has culminated in close to 20 businesses who have agreed to place a Narcan rescue box in their business and be trained in Narcan administration.

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Waterford	\$ 82,580.83	\$ 23,238.55	\$ 132,628.44	No	The planning process included discussion and review of Exhibit E: List of Opioid Remediation Uses, to determine different ways the funds could be allocated to best serve our population. We also attended a workshop presented by Prevention Training and Technical Assistance Service Center to see how other municipalities were planning to allocate funds.	Youth, ages 4-18	Waterford has used abatement funds to focus on prevention efforts, identifying and reaching disconnected youth, and implementing evidence-based prevention programming to keep youth and young adults engaged, as an effort to prevent opioid misuse later on in life.	We were able to implement a new evidence-based program that included prevention efforts, which is being featured on the state level. We were able to identify, and support, disconnected youth through our human services division within our programs and our schools. In doing this we were able to keep youth and young adults engaged by providing mental health services, prevention education, and hosting community events.
Watertown	\$ 74,541.93	\$ -	\$ 140,694.01	No	N/A	Town of Watertown is in the planning process to allocate abatement funds.	N/A	N/A
West Hartford	\$ 176,005.10	\$ 52,507.17	\$ 379,801.23	Bloomfield	West Hartford's Prevention Commission and Local Prevention Council (West Hartford Prevention Partnership) lead community-wide prevention efforts. Town staff including Social Services, Prevention, Health District, Police, Fire and Public Schools participate in monthly meetings to plan events/activities.	While we generally strive to address the community at large, there was a concentrated focus on youth engagement this year (middle-high school-aged), which was extremely successful.	Our funds were primarily used to fund a part-time staff position of Prevention Coordinator. We were able to leverage grant funds from our RBHAO to enhance and expand community-wide prevention efforts. In addition, our Fire Department was able to purchase a medical manikin to be used for educational training activities as related to overdose interventions.	We are extremely proud of the tremendous growth of our efforts in the last year with the addition of dedicated staff. With the commitment of our LPC we have laid the foundation for a robust FY25 including the designation as a Recovery Friendly Community and more harm reduction and recovery-focused efforts.

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West Haven	\$ 152,239.91	\$ 15,959.57	\$ 136,279.74	No	A review of affected and/or vulnerable populations was performed before any activities were planned.	low income, homeless, populations know to be in need of harm reduction.	Narcan training and distribution. Pop up events for distribution of Fentanyl test strips and education.	There seems to be a slight reduction in overdoses.
Westbrook	\$ 28,077.54	\$ 8,695.12	\$ 19,382.42	No	We put out requests for projects to town departments as well as outside agencies providing addiction services. Requests are reviewed by the Board of Selectman and appropriated as needed	The focus is meant to provide services for those struggling with addiction as well as students and the community to help prevent addiction (i.e. education programs, narcan purchase, medical lockboxes)	Funds were used to run community education programs, purchase medicine lockboxes to keep dangerous medications safe and purchase AED devices.	The medical lockbox and opioid education programs have been very successful. The Town granted money to a local nonprofit who ran the program and of the 15 lockboxes that were purchased all were distributed with the request for more. Remaining funds will be used to continue this program as well as administer additional community awareness and education programs.
Weston	\$ 30,293.97	\$ 1,383.92	\$ 64,202.77	No	Human Services Director discussions with EMS personnel, First Selectman and Town Administrator.	Treatment for individuals who may overdose on opioids.	Purchased four boxes of Naloxone (Narcan)	None to report at this time considering limited expenditures thus far.

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Westport	\$ 96,823.43	\$ -	\$ 96,823.43	No	We are meeting with the Human Services Director and the Board of Selectwomen to review and approve the projects that are to be funded with the settlement over the next month.	Westport Prevention Coalition Providing a comprehensive approach to educational and prevention services for Westport residents of all ages, through regular coalition meetings and programming. The Westport Prevention Coalition utilizes the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF), a comprehensive process for addressing substance misuse and related behavioral health problems, to increase awareness of the possible harm from alcohol, tobacco and other drugs (ATOD) among residents and providing prevention programming throughout the year.	None have been used to date.	N/A

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Wethersfield	\$ 67,385.12	\$ -	\$ 141,632.09	Berlin Newington Rocky Hill	We have started to discuss with towns in our Central CT Health District (Berlin, Newington, Rocky Hill and Wethersfield) ways to address homelessness and wrap around substance use prevention, treatment and recovery in our community. Also, Wethersfield is waiting to apply and be approved for the another round of 5 years grant funding for Drug-Free Communities. If Wethersfield is not approved for this competitive grant application, we will look to use opioid settlement money to support our Prevention Coalition (Wethersfield Helping Others Through Prevention and Education - WeHOPE).	Homelessness	Funds have not been used. We have discussed possible uses.	Wethersfield currently has a prevention coalition (WeHOPE) funded and supported by the Drug-Free Communities Federal Grant. We are going into year five with the option to apply for another five years of funding (which we plan to do in Spring 2025). If we somehow do not get awarded, we will look to use opioid settlement money to continue supporting our coalition. If we are awarded for another five years, we will use opioid settlement money to enhance the coalition and the work in our community. WeHOPE coalition 2024 Highlights - Education and outreach in our community, Narcan Training, Vaping presentations, involving parent leadership group, youth needs assessments survey grades 7-12 (data shared in our community), vape take-back event, co-occurring disorders, marketing/social media messaging, campaigns, hidden-in-plain sight presentation and local, statewide and national trainings.
Willington	\$ 10,584.90	\$ 1,101.19	\$ 18,877.25	No	We purchase Medical/Drug Lockboxes for Middle school graduates.	Youth - Middle School aged kiddos	Medical/Drug Lockboxes were purchased and given to the 8th grade Middle school graduating class.	Helping parents to lock up medications so they are not easily accessible.
Wilton	\$ 130,655.95	\$ -	\$ 130,655.95	No	We are in the process of allocating some of the funds for counseling.	We will currently be assisting adolescents.	We have not yet spent any funds.	None to date.
Winchester	\$ 40,811.83	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 63,530.20	No	Town Manager working in conjunction with the Director of Social Services and the Police Department.	General population	Opioid funds have been used to provide aftercare kits to first responders and to offset the work of our social service director that she does related to opioid related matters.	Aftercare kits for first responders help to mitigate repeat calls for overdoses.

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Windham	\$ 109,715.73	\$ 109,715.73	\$ -	No	Part of annual budgeting process	middle and high school children drug awareness programs	to offset EMT expenses delivering health services to overdose victims and youth leadership training which includes drug awareness	the number of middle and high school students participating in the drug awareness and youth leadership programs has increased
Windsor	\$ 81,751.89	\$ 172.53	\$ 154,455.55	No	During FY24, the Town of Windsor's municipal departments—including police, health, recreation, senior services, social services, and youth services—engaged in a collaborative planning process to determine the most effective allocation of abatement funds for opioid awareness and prevention programs. These departments conducted a series of strategic meetings to assess current initiatives and identify areas of greatest community need. This collective approach ensures that the funds will be utilized for maximum impact. The finalized strategic plan, aimed at optimizing resources and outcomes, is expected to be completed in early FY25	In FY24, the Windsor community hosted a special event, a collaborative effort between the Recreation and Youth Services departments, focusing on raising awareness about the dangers of alcohol, tobacco, and drug use. The event featured comprehensive information campaigns on opioid awareness, engaging attendees of all ages—from children and youth to adults and grandparents. This inclusive approach helped foster a multigenerational dialogue on substance abuse prevention within the community.	Awareness pamphlets and flyers were distributed to event participants.	This inclusive approach helped foster a multigenerational dialogue on substance abuse prevention within the community.
Windsor Locks	\$ 34,450.27	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 31,450.27	No	Met with Chief Eric Osantich and reviewed transition plan with new First Selectman Scott Storms	No, our efforts are not focused on a specific population.	Windsor Locks licensed 3rd Millenium software for educational purposes	N/A

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Wolcott	\$ 59,082.19	\$ 10,327.32	\$ 48,754.87	No	Discussions with area Town Managers, the Department of Public Health, CCM and COST	Town of Wolcott (appx 16,000 residents) as well as providing mutual aid to other surrounding communities	Free educational and community outreach class monthly Free Narcan to anyone who requested it Purchase of supplies	Successful resuscitation of several overdosed patients within the community. Police and Fire first responders were trained to recognize opiate overdoses.
Woodbridge	\$ 26,431.35	\$ -	\$ 26,431.35	Orange	We are currently looking to hire a dedicated prevention staff member. We are planning to work with our Health Department and a local prevention agency	We have not yet expended any dollars.	We have not used the funds as yet, but plan to utilize the funds through hiring a staff member to provide prevention and harm reduction educational programs and to distribute prevention materials (including Naloxone).	We have decided to partner with a neighboring town and have enlisted the help of an area prevention agency (APW) and our health district (QVHD). By partnering we will avoid redundancies in programming provided.
Woodbury	\$ 37,031.43	\$ -	\$ 69,894.89	No	There were no funds used in FY24	There were no funds used in FY24	We did not use the funds in FY24	We did not use the funds in FY24
Deep River	\$ 10,034.61	\$ 10,034.61	\$ -	No	All abatement funds to be sent to Tri-Town Youth Services to fund opioid-related programming	Tri-Town Youth Services provides services to youths and families	All funds are allocated toward Tri-Town Youth Services	Unknown
Woodstock	\$ 19,721.69	\$ 890.00	\$ 18,831.69	Yes but not identified	Board of Selectmen Meetings, Discussions and Vote	None	Provide employees with and EAP plan and submit funding to United Services, Inc for intervention for our communtiy members	None