



2024 COSSUP State Grantee Approaches to Addressing Substance Use in Communities

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Introduction: The Unique Role of State COSSUP Grantees

The Bureau of Justice Assistance's (BJA's) Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) supports the development of comprehensive state, local, or tribal responses to address substance use and misuse reduce overdose deaths, promote public safety, and increase access to treatment and recovery services.

COSSUP's Statewide Implementation, Enhancement, and Evaluation Projects were created in Fiscal Year 2019 (FY19) to leverage the opportunity of state agencies to facilitate a systemwide, comprehensive approach to addressing local and regional challenges. Since 2019, BJA has continued to award funding to state agencies and provide dedicated technical assistance and support for (1) state administering agencies,¹ (2) state alcohol and substance abuse agencies, and (3) other state units of government applying on behalf of at least six local jurisdictions per award. These state-based grantees apply for and receive funding on behalf of localities, tribal entities, or regions within their respective states and then play a critical role in the planning and implementation of strategies aimed at addressing community-specific needs for behavioral health and public safety.

This 2024 state-based COSSUP summary report aims to summarize the efforts of the 39 grantees and their local communities (**Exhibits 1 and 2**). The report will highlight elements of site-specific work, including the process of selecting and working with site collaborators, and outline grantees' activities throughout their award years. For grants awarded in FY19 through FY23, there are a total of 39 state agency grantees across 34 states,² which support over 300 local jurisdictions and communities combined (**Exhibit 3**). These state-based grantees have worked with their local jurisdictions to establish improve reentry services, establish and expand law enforcement diversion programs, enhance data collection and sharing, and expand access to medication-assisted treatment, among other efforts.

¹ "State administering agencies" are agencies that are responsible for comprehensive criminal justice planning and policy development in the state.

² Of these 39 state agency grantees, 19 grantees were state administering agencies, 6 grantees were state alcohol and substance abuse agencies, and 14 grantees were other state units of government.

Exhibit 1. State and Local COSSUP Collaboration Impact, by the Numbers







































































































































 <p>REENTRY SERVICES</p> <p>11 states created or expanded services to support individuals with substance use disorder (SUD) who are reentering the community after incarceration</p>	 <p>LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVERSION</p> <p>16 states created pre- or post-arrest diversion programs to divert individuals with SUD out of the criminal justice system and into treatment</p>	 <p>DATA COLLECTION AND SHARING</p> <p>8 states improved local data collection and sharing across public safety, corrections, health, and behavioral health</p>
 <p>MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT</p> <p>15 states expanded access to medication-assisted treatment for incarcerated individuals or other community members with SUD</p>	 <p>YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAMMING</p> <p>6 states included programming to support youth and families affected by SUD</p>	 <p>COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND EDUCATION</p> <p>9 states engaged in community outreach and education about SUD, including local media campaigns</p>
 <p>NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION</p> <p>13 states increased access to naloxone for communities and first responders, and provided related trainings and education</p>	 <p>EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES</p> <p>8 states created or expanded emergency response and co-response programming for individuals who experienced an overdose</p>	 <p>COURT-BASED PROGRAMS</p> <p>3 states developed programming to help individuals with SUD navigate the criminal legal system</p>
 <p>HARM REDUCTION</p> <p>10 states expanded harm reduction programs including drug takeback days, syringe services, and drug checking</p>	 <p>PEERS</p> <p>19 states incorporated peer services into their programs, to connect individuals with lived experience</p>	 <p>HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION</p> <p>8 states increased housing or transportation services for individuals with SUD</p>

Exhibit 2 is a guide to the states' focus areas. See **Exhibit 1** for key for symbols under Areas of Focus column.

Exhibit 2. Guide to States

State	Focus Area Descriptions	Focus Areas (Symbols)
 Alabama	Medication Assisted Treatment Data Collection and Sharing	 
 Arizona	Law Enforcement Diversion Reentry Services	 
 Arkansas	Peers Emergency Response Services Community Outreach and Education	  
 Colorado	Naloxone Distribution Community Outreach and Education Medication Assisted Treatment Harm Reduction Housing and Transportation	    
 Connecticut	Data Collection and Sharing Medication Assisted Treatment Community Outreach and Education Emergency Response Services Youth and Family Programming	    
 Delaware	Law Enforcement Diversion Housing and Transportation Peers Harm Reduction	   
 District of Columbia	Forensic Testing	
 Florida	Housing and Transportation Peers Court-Based Programs Youth and Family Programming Medication Assisted Treatment	    
 Georgia	Peers Data Collection and Sharing Naloxone Distribution Housing and Transportation	   
 Idaho	Community Outreach and Education Medication Assisted Treatment Naloxone Distribution Harm Reduction	   

State	Focus Area Descriptions	Focus Areas (Symbols)
	Indiana Community Outreach and Education Youth and Family Programming Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Emergency Response Services Peers	    
	Iowa Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion	
	Kansas Youth and Family Programming	
	Kentucky Court-Based Programs	
	Louisiana Data Collection and Sharing Reentry Services	 
	Maine Peers Emergency Response Services Medication-Assisted Treatment	  
	Maryland Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Community Outreach and Education Housing and Transportation	  
	Massachusetts (Administrative Office of the Trial Court) Peers Naloxone Distribution Court-Based Programs	  
	Massachusetts (Executive Office of Public Safety) Data Collection and Sharing Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Harm Reduction	  
	Michigan Harm Reduction Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Naloxone Distribution Emergency Response Services	   
	Minnesota (Department of Health) Housing and Transportation Peers Reentry Services	  

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 Minnesota (Department of Public Safety)	Emergency Response Services Naloxone Distribution Medication-Assisted Treatment Peers	   
 Mississippi	Data Collection and Sharing Naloxone Distribution Medication-Assisted Treatment Peers	   
 Nevada	Harm Reduction Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Naloxone Distribution Emergency Response Services	   
 New Hampshire	Peers Youth and Family Programming	 
 New Jersey (Department of Law and Public Safety)	Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion	
 New Jersey (State Parole Board)	Peers Reentry Services	 
 New Mexico	Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion	
 New York (Office of Addiction Service and Supports)	Court-Based Programs	
 New York (State Unified Court System)	Peers Medication-Assisted Treatment Data Collection and Sharing	  
 North Carolina	Medication-Assisted Treatment Peers Naloxone Distribution Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Reentry Services	    






































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 Ohio (Department of Health)	Medication-Assisted Treatment Naloxone Distribution Community Outreach and Education Reentry Services Harm Reduction	    
 Ohio (Office of Criminal Justice Services)	Peers Naloxone Distribution Harm Reduction Emergency Response Services Community Outreach and Education	    
 Pennsylvania	Medication-Assisted Treatment Reentry Services Peers Naloxone Distribution Harm Reduction	    
 South Carolina	Law Enforcement Diversion	
 Tennessee	Naloxone Distribution Harm Reduction Law Enforcement Diversion Emergency Response Services Data Collection and Sharing Reentry Services Housing and Transportation Peers Youth and Family Programming	        
 West Virginia	Law Enforcement Diversion Youth and Family Programming	 
 Wisconsin	Peers Law Enforcement Diversion Medication-Assisted Treatment	  

Exhibit 3. Total COSSUP Subrecipients



All state grantees are required to distribute funding through subrecipients that support local communities in their state. These subrecipients provide direct assistance, services, and support to people in the community who are impacted by substance use. While each state grantee is required to support at least six local communities through their subrecipients, many states support more communities including some that support services available across their whole state.

Selection of Subrecipients

To meet the unique needs of each state's population while adhering to mandated awarding requirements, which can differ state to state, state-based grantees take various approaches to selecting subrecipients. Once subrecipients are selected, COSSUP state-based grantees distribute their funding that allows the subrecipients to implement the state's COSSUP-funded projects. Each state uses its own selection process to determine how and where it will distribute the funding. This process is based on an array of factors including existing state policies and practices, the local jurisdiction's capacity to implement the proposed project, and the need within the local community. Other important considerations for subrecipient selection include the rates of illicit drug use and overdoses as well as existing partnerships with community organizations. Some states applied for COSSUP funding with their subrecipients, while other states waited to select their subrecipients until after being awarded COSSUP

funding. States considered the aforementioned factors and selected subrecipients using one or more of the following methods:

- Through a formal application process.
- By responding to the needs of local communities.
- By partnering with organizations that have a previously established need, capacity, or both.

Formal Application Processes

Several COSSUP grantees used formal selection processes to identify subrecipients of awarded COSSUP funding. These formal application processes mostly included requests for application or proposals, which are developed by the state-based agency and then distributed to organizations and throughout communities. Generally, the formal applications were reviewed by a committee preselected by the grantee, then scored based on criteria specific to each state, and the state-based grantee selected the entities with applications receiving the highest scores to be subrecipients for the state-based grantee's COSSUP award.

One example of a state agency that used a formal application process for subrecipient funding is the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, as a part of the inaugural cohort of FY19 state-based COSSUP grantees. After receiving the COSSUP award, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services posted a request for application online to assess potential subrecipients and used a thorough evaluation process for considering applicants. Individual reviewers assessed each application and reported the applicant's score to a selection committee, where any significant score discrepancies were reviewed. The selection committee then made the final selection of COSSUP subrecipients. This same process was repeated for a second round of applicants to provide more awards for North Carolina. In total, North Carolina's application process produced six subrecipients: three health care organizations, one law enforcement agency, one community organization, and one university.

Responding to the Needs of Local Communities

States selected the communities with the greatest need for substance use and overdose prevention initiatives. To identify those communities, states often conducted extensive statistical analyses to identify where substance use and overdose incidents were most frequent. Some states also used geographic analysis to map out the regions where concern was highest.

The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services employed its existing system of drug task forces (groups of individuals who serve as intelligence experts and investigate drug-related crimes on a county level) to recruit subrecipients. First, they used extensive consultation with state and local partners and supporting statistical documentation to identify communities across the state that required additional support and resources to address the opioid crisis. Then, the drug task force liaison or the state met with each eligible subrecipient to gauge its capacity to support the COSSUP-funded FRD project. Ultimately, Ohio selected seven subrecipients as recipients of COSSUP funding. Each subrecipient represents a county with both the need and the capacity to develop or expand an FRD program using COSSUP funding.

Established Need, Capacity, or Both

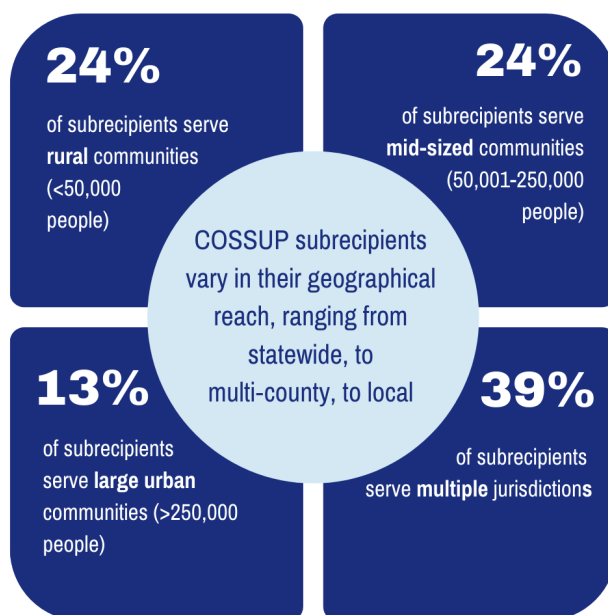
Another strategy that COSSUP state-based grantees used when selecting subrecipients was to work with those that had previously established their need, their capacity to take on COSSUP projects, or both. Often, these subrecipients had already collaborated with the state-based agency that applied for

COSSUP funding, demonstrating their capacity for COSSUP projects through their existing working relationship with the agency. Typically, but not always, these subrecipients worked alongside the state entity to apply for COSSUP funding.

The Michigan State Police's (MSP's) subrecipient selection process considered applicants' collaboration with MSP during the process, history of prior collaboration with MSP, and readiness to implement innovative prevention programs and expand their current programs. This selection process identified eight subrecipients to be awarded COSSUP funding: four public safety or police departments, three community organizations, and one university. Each was well established in its community and had the potential for making greater impact.

Regardless of how they are selected, COSSUP subrecipients vary greatly in their geographical reach, as shown below in **Exhibit 4**.

Exhibit 4. Who Is Served by COSSUP Subrecipients?



State Coordination Efforts

Each state-based COSSUP grantee is tasked with managing the award activities within its agency, working with their evaluation partner (specific to each project) and providing collaboration and support for local subrecipients. The grantee's coordination work ensures that its COSSUP projects are executed successfully throughout planning, implementation, and evaluation. Benefits of a state-based agency coordinating the COSSUP project include its abilities to share lessons learned and promote peer connections across the state and to take on the administrative burden that large-scale projects can impose on smaller and under-resourced communities.

Each state develops its own plans for managing state coordination efforts, using various methods to support subrecipients throughout their work. Along with other activities, most grantees conduct both

individual and group calls with subrecipients to field questions and provide support. Additional methods include hiring management personnel to work directly with specific subrecipients and developing deliverable materials and trainings for subrecipient use.

Project Management

Each state-based COSSUP grantee can structure its COSSUP program management to fit its state's unique needs. Some states maintain management within the state agency, whereas others hire local project managers to oversee each subrecipient directly. By providing administrative oversight of each subrecipient, the state can facilitate the subrecipient's successful execution of their project.

The Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention is a successful example of having experienced management to oversee and lead its COSSUP projects. Maryland's COSSUP work primarily involves implementing Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) programs throughout the state. LEAD is an initiative that aims to divert individuals with low-level drug charges out of the criminal justice system and into support or treatment services.

Near the start of its COSSUP award, Maryland hired a dedicated program director who had retired from the Baltimore Police Department and bringing professional and personal experience to implementing the state's LEAD programs. He has met with and provided support and technical assistance to all subrecipients. A year and a half after his hire, the COSSUP LEAD program coordinator was hired to meet with subrecipients individually and conduct site visits. Hiring these experts has allowed for smooth coordination and support among subrecipients of the state's COSSUP award.

Training Materials and Guidance

State agencies develop resources, implementation support, and training materials for the individuals involved in the subrecipients' COSSUP projects, such as law enforcement, harm reduction specialists, and case managers.

For the Massachusetts Administrative Office of the Trial Court, developing trainings included designing an orientation packet for recovery support navigators. The state uses COSSUP funding to support Project NORTH (Navigation, Outreach, Recovery, Treatment, and Hope), a court-based program that provides court-involved individuals with rapid access to substance use disorder (SUD) treatment by addressing treatment navigation, care coordination, transportation, and sober housing needs. The orientation packet includes information on resources that recovery support navigators could reach out to, in addition to tips on how to navigate the recovery support process for Project NORTH. This packet provides information that supplements the training recovery support navigators receive.

Supporting Program Evaluation and Data Collection

Program evaluation and data collection are important steps to meaningfully assess the impact of COSSUP-funded activities and to support long-term sustainability efforts. COSSUP state-based grantees are in a prime position to support evaluations across the local jurisdictions that are implementing programs under their award. As such, the state-based grantee is responsible for selecting a COSSUP evaluation partner. Throughout the grant period, the evaluation partner collaborates with the state agency and local sites to identify and collect important program-specific data. Based on each local site's unique needs, the evaluation partner may assist the sites in collecting some combination of *quantitative metrics* (such as number of individuals served, retention rates, and recidivism rates) and *qualitative metrics* (such as case studies and individual success stories).

State-based COSSUP grantees have also worked with evaluation partners to create data collection tools using Excel, SmartSheet, and REDCap (Research Electronic Data Capture) as a first step toward supporting data collection and analysis efforts. To support its law enforcement diversion and embedded clinician program, the Executive Office of the Governor of Delaware partnered with the University of Delaware (UD) to lead the program evaluation for both their FY19 and FY22 awards. Once a local police department is onboarded to the program, its staff meet with researchers at UD to set up a REDCap data collection platform and learn how to input their program metrics on regular basis. UD continues to meet with the local site every 4–6 weeks to troubleshoot data collection challenges and hosts a monthly peer call during which all local subrecipients can discuss data collection efforts. UD also develops monthly one-page data summaries for each local site, which can be presented to the agency’s executive staff or other key stakeholders for their reference.

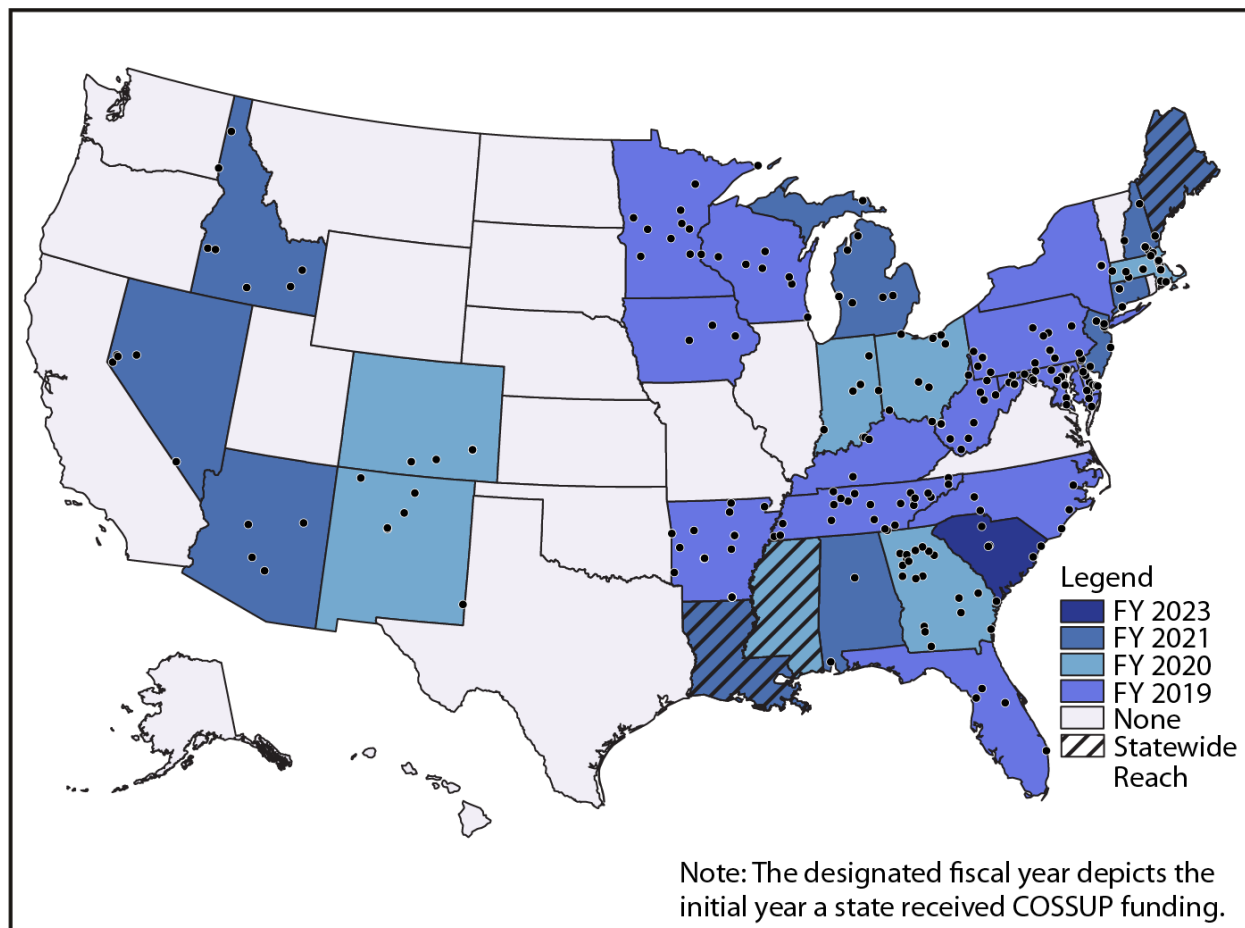
In collaboration with a state agency’s evaluation partner or as part of the state agency’s efforts, aggregated data dashboards can greatly benefit local subrecipients, additional localities interested in the program, and ultimately the larger community. One example includes a real-time data dashboard³ developed by the Indiana State Government that was funded by the National Institutes of Health under the HEAL Data2Action Program as a component of the Fatal Overdose Review Teams Research to Enhance Surveillance Systems (FORTRESS) project. FORTRESS created this dashboard to be used by established county overdose fatality review teams, including those established through site-based COSSUP awards.

States with COSSUP Programs

Exhibit 5 maps the locations of COSSUP programs throughout the United States.

³ The dashboard is visible both at <https://www.in.gov/mph/projects/fortress/> and at <https://www.in.gov/health/overdose-prevention/overdose-surveillance/indiana/>.

Exhibit 5. U.S. Map of COSSUP Program Locations



COSSUP State-Based Grantee Profiles

The COSSUP state-based grantees profiled in this report represent the efforts of the COSSUP Category 2 state agencies and the local jurisdictions they support. The following profiles highlight how each state has partnered with local subrecipients to implement programs that increase access to SUD treatment and public health services and that support individuals impacted by the criminal justice system.



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2021 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2021, the Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH) received approximately \$6 million to implement **Project Possibilities: A Collaborative Alabama Criminal Justice Project**. Project Possibilities is a 5-year project serving substance users identified within and across the criminal justice system through diversion and efforts to decrease recidivism. The project is developing, implementing, and expanding a combination of law enforcement diversion programs, comprehensive and real-time data collection, analysis, and dissemination, as well as introducing medication-assisted treatment and peer support recovery support services into existing systems of service in Alabama across Calhoun, Dekalb, Etowah, Jefferson, Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, and Walker Counties. Each of these counties were selected to be subgrantees due to the lack of infrastructure, current relationships with partner agencies, and high need of support services for the population.

Project goals include the following:

- Expand and implement diversion programs and services that provide treatment and recovery support to: (1) divert individuals who use or are addicted to opioids, stimulants, and other substances from the criminal justice system, and (2) prevent their return to the system.
- Extend the state data collection (via the Central Data Repository [CDR]) of substance use information to include nonopioid substances.
- Expand current partnerships to enhance data-sharing and accessibility, analysis, and dissemination of real-time data.
- Expand resources to rural areas to bridge the gap of care between urban or suburban areas and rural areas, including developing and implementing innovative and evidence-based models of medication-assisted treatment services for individuals interacting with the criminal justice system.
- Monitor the outcomes of interventions.

LOCAL SITES

The implementation of Project Possibilities is a collaborative effort initiated by ADMH, VitAL with the University of Alabama, Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles (ABPP), Recovery Organization of Support Specialists (ROSS), and People Engaged in Recovery (PEIR). The project will serve eight geographically diverse counties' implementation sites (Calhoun, Dekalb, Etowah, Jefferson, Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, and Walker) in Alabama as well as collect statewide data for analysis and dissemination. Each subgrantee's responsibilities are listed below.

Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles

The department continued to revise their publicly available dashboard via the CDR to include non-opioid substances. New data sharing agreements/Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) were acquired to bolster the existing data and enhance the ability for additional analysis and dissemination. This enables the ABPP Project Possibilities Team to collect real time data on enrollments, treatment, uranalysis, participant compliance violations, incarcerations, and program completions.

ABPP also provided Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) to provide officers with mental health crisis response training and preparing a crisis response team structure to ensure that mental health needs are addressed within the community in an efficient and safe manner. Ninety-eight officers been trained and certified in crisis intervention.

Recovery Organization of Support Specialists (ROSS), and People Engaged in Recovery (PEIR)

These subgrantees' peer mentors provided transportation, coaching, and assessments in jails, day reporting centers to hundreds of individuals across eight counties of Alabama in 2023. During 2023, ROSS and PEIR signed an MOU with the Alabama Department of Corrections to expand their services to continue through community supervision.

VitAL

VitAL assists the state with all aspects of service and delivery training, collecting performance data from the sites, providing ongoing training and technical assistance. VitAL engages in regular communication with the established Oversight Committee via quarterly meetings and monthly BJA subgrantees meetings, to discuss challenges, barriers, and successes.



Peers
Emergency Response Services
Community Outreach and Education

Arkansas



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2019 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration has two Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulation, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) awards, one that began in Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019) and one that began in Fiscal Year 2020 (FY 2020). A total of twenty (20) local sites were selected through a formal Request for Application (RFA).

Arkansas aimed to develop a coordinated plan to assist localities in engaging and retaining justice-involved people who use illicit or misuse prescription opioids in treatment and recovery services, increase diversion of people from incarceration to treatment programs, and reduce the incidence of overdose deaths. Arkansas also financially supported localities to (1) implement the strategies in their plans developed as a part of the COSSUP grant and (2) increase the use of alternatives to incarceration to engage individuals in treatment and recovery, focusing on best practice models.

Local Sites involved in the project include:

- Central Arkansas Drug Task Force
- Central Arkansas Planning and Development
- City of Fort Smith
- City of Hot Springs
- Community Clinic of Northwest Arkansas
- Community Empowerment Council
- Crowley's Ridge Development Council
- Family Service Agency
- Fulton County Sheriff's Office
- Izard County
- Jefferson County
- Johnson County
- Lonoke County
- Marmaduke Police Department
- North Arkansas Partnership for Health Education
- Research Solutions
- Searcy Police Department
- Sevier County
- Scott County

HIGHLIGHTS

- Directly intervened to help overdose victims and their families access treatment services with a forensic peer specialist as liaison between them and opioid field investigator
- Established drug testing and aftercare programs
- Continued workforce development efforts for law enforcement agencies and other first responders
- Developed anti-stigma training for law enforcement agencies and media campaigns to promote anti-stigma efforts
- Implemented peer recovery support programs
- Disseminated a substance use treatment, prevention, and community resource directory

Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2020 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2020, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) received approximately \$6 million to implement the **Colorado Comprehensive Opioid and Stimulant Substance Abuse Site-Based Program**. Four (4) subgrantees were selected using a competitive Request for Applications (RFA) process. Selections were made based on applicant benefits, impact, the feasibility of successful implementation, measurable results, and the applicant's experience and qualifications.

This program addresses the specific challenges that four rural and economically disadvantaged counties face relating to substance misuse and overdose. Colorado's program funding is also used to support the Colorado Naloxone Bulk Purchase Fund to aid in providing improved access to naloxone for law enforcement and other first responder agencies. Since the start of the grant, the state has expanded their approaches to expand medication-assisted treatment (MAT) services and create a media campaign for Medication Takeback Program collection receptacles across the state.

ADDITIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

Cardinal Health, Inc.

The CDPHE had an existing partnership and agreement with this vendor to purchase and ship naloxone through the Colorado Naloxone Bulk Purchase Fund. Cardinal Health shipped 34,791 naloxone units/doses to 136 law enforcement and other first responder agencies through the Colorado Naloxone Bulk Purchase Fund.

E-Squared Communications Group (SE2)

SE2 created awareness about the dangers of unused medications/improper disposal and increased awareness of the Colorado Medication Takeback Program (MTBP) using a media campaign. SE2 determined the communities of focus and developed media plans to campaign for the following: elevate positive norms about safe disposal behaviors that protect kids and teens, pets, and the environment; educate community members about the proper and safe disposal methods; increase awareness of the MTBP, and support wayfinding. Since July 2023, 33,530 pounds of controlled substances, prescription medications, and over-the-counter medications generated by households have been collected in MTBP receptacles. The number of pounds collected from October to December 2023, the same timeframe SE2's media campaign promoting the MTBP ran, was 2,000 pounds more than the same timeframe in 2022. SE2's media campaign promoting the MTBP will continue to run through June 2024, and pounds of medications collected will continue to be tracked. The media campaign's potential impact on pounds of medication collected will be analyzed further in late 2024.

Colorado Department of Corrections (CDOC)

The CDOC provided MAT to individuals incarcerated in correctional facilities, as well as access to recovery housing for individuals incarcerated upon community reentry. Since July 2023, more than 1,100 individuals incarcerated have been referred to MAT services, and more than 500 individuals incarcerated from 14 correctional facilities began receiving MAT services while incarcerated. Additionally, 20 individuals incarcerated were referred to a recovery residence, and 2 began living in a recovery residence upon community reentry.

HIGHLIGHTS

Region Six Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Inc. (RESADA)

- RESADA's first recovery residence continued to operate. Since opening in December 2021, 35 clients in recovery have stayed and utilized one of these recovery residences. In 2023, the men's house saw desirable occupancy rates (at times the house had a waitlist for new residents), great employment rates, and lots of integrated programming, case management, and peer services.
- RESADA continued to build a strong partnership with a community organization that has a trusted relationship with the Hispanic community. This relationship helped with identifying barriers that prevent the Hispanic community from accessing and staying engaged in their recovery housing/residential recovery support services.
- In February 2023 RESADA opened their new building to provide residential Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment. A new administration and social detox services building is expected to open in early 2024, with social detox clients living in the same living quarters as residential SUD treatment in the meantime. Once this occurs, the capacity of both residential SUD treatment and social detox services will increase. Since opening in February 2023, 212 clients began social detox services and 173 clients began residential SUD treatment.

San Luis Valley Area Health Education Center (SLV AHEC)

- SLV AHEC provided reentry case management services through two county jails. These case managers provided recovery support case management services as their clients transitioned into the community. SLV AHEC also began offering recovery support case management services to clients who did not go to jail but may have been referred by a judge, attorney, or other community-based provider. In 2023, 38 clients were seen by case managers while incarcerated. 10 clients continued to see a case manager at least once after reentering the community and were not interested in accessing SUD-related services. 28 additional clients received recovery support case management services while in the community. SLV AHEC also increased naloxone distribution to clients and continued to strengthen their relationship with the Hispanic community.

Signal Behavioral Health Network (SBHN)

- SBHN continued to contact law enforcement and first responder agencies across their 4 county service area to offer naloxone and training. They hosted 1 in-person and 1 virtual naloxone training. 12 law enforcement officers and other first responders attended one of the training sessions.
- SBHN distributed 780 naloxone kits (2 nasal sprays in each kit) to more than 6 law enforcement and first responder agencies.

Las Animas Huerfano Counties District Health Department (LAHCDHD)

The subcontract with LAHCDHD ended on 9/30/2022. From 2020 - 2022, LAHCDHD:

- Provided peer-led recovery support services to clients.
- Improved access to naloxone for clients receiving recovery support services.
- Partnered with a local community organization that had a trusted relationship with the local Black, Indigenous, or other communities of color to help identify and reduce barriers that prevent that community from accessing or staying engaged in their recovery support services.
- Provided improved access to naloxone for law enforcement and other first responder agencies.
- Provided a training event to increase health care provider knowledge of how to identify and treat substance use disorder, including opioid use disorder.



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2021 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2021, the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services received approximately \$6 million to implement **Connecticut Community and Law Enforcement for Addiction Recovery (CLEAR)**. Two (2) subgrantees were preselected as lead behavioral health providers in two regions to serve six (6) jurisdictions for the CLEAR project.

The goal of reducing the impact of opioids, stimulants, and other substances for Connecticut residents and communities was addressed using funding to accomplish the following: (1) develop and enhance local law enforcement and first responder–led deflection and outreach efforts; (2) create partnerships between social services and first responders to rapidly respond to drug overdoses and identify and support high-risk individuals, families, and children affected by substance use; (3) implement a comprehensive, real-time, regional information collection, analysis, and dissemination system; and (4) expand the availability and delivery of evidence-based programs, including medication-assisted treatment (MAT) and peer recovery coach services.

LOCAL SITES

McCall Behavioral Health Network & Liberation Programs were tasked with alongside the state to carry out the objectives in the respective jurisdictions, through the following activities:

- Implementing police and behavioral health overdose outreach teams to deflect people who have experienced an overdose or are at-risk of an overdose from the criminal justice system
- Expanding recovery coaching services
- Providing family recovery support
- Implementing an Integrated System that will serve as a central, real-time hub for regional information and data collection, analysis, and dissemination
- Expand community coordination and response to surges in overdoses
- Expand access to MAT
- Provide training for law enforcement and other members of the Overdose Outreach Teams
- Employ a CLEAR Site Coordinator and a team consisting of recovery support and family recovery support roles.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Trainings were provided to law enforcement officers on naloxone, harm reduction, and deflection.
- Two additional 16-hour Deflection Academy, provided by Operation 2 Save Lives, were held to train additional officers and collaborative partners from sites and to train Norwalk officers and partners.
- Statewide leadership began hosting regular, monthly Statewide CLEAR meetings with all sites and collaborative partners. At the meetings partners highlight successes, challenges, drug and overdose trends, emerging practices, and innovations.
- Site leadership and outreach team members continue to increase participation in community groups, including the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force, Greenwich Community Agencies for Resiliency and Empowerment, Re-entry Council meetings, local prevention coalitions, and more. Additionally, teams are attending local community events to raise awareness.
- Sites participated in the annual deflection day by hosting community events to increase community awareness, education, and distribute naloxone kits.
- Outreach teams are conducting regular active outreach in each jurisdiction, working to build relationships with the target population by having a presence in the community. Outreach is conducted at a variety of locations, such as shelters, soup kitchens, and parks. Teams distribute materials, resources, and harm reduction supplies such as Naloxone and Fentanyl testing strips. The teams also facilitate access to treatment when requested.
- Post-overdose follow-ups and at-risk referrals where law enforcement facilitates the connection to the individual has been done in all jurisdictions, and team is currently exploring additional opportunities to engage Emergency Medical Services partnerships in Stamford to increase referrals.
- Teams are going out to impacted communities where there is an overdose spike.
- Teams are currently reevaluating spike levels due to updates and changes in ODMap.



Law Enforcement Diversion
Housing and Transportation
Peers
Harm Reduction

Delaware



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2019-2023

OVERVIEW

The Delaware Criminal Justice Council has two COSSUP awards, one that began in Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019) and one that began in Fiscal Year 2022 (FY 2022).

In FY 2019, the Executive Office of the Governor of Delaware received approximately \$4.5 million to implement **Delaware's COAP Saving Lives** project statewide. The DE COAP Saving Lives project implemented new opioid-intervention programs in five geographically diverse localities and established pre-arrest or post-arrest law enforcement diversion programs, using community-based substance use and behavioral health services, for individuals who commit low-level, nonviolent, drug-related offenses. Sites with the highest overdose rates were targeted for this project; all sites are in the rural part of the state.

In FY 2022, the Delaware Criminal Justice Council received an additional COSSUP award for the COAP Saving Lives project, renamed the **COSSAP Saving Lives project**. The project implements new opioid-intervention programs in six additional geographically diverse localities, selected using the same process as the FY 2019 grant.

HIGHLIGHTS - FY22 SITES

Six Police Departments

- Six police departments were selected as local sites: Elsmere Bureau of Police, City of New Castle Police, Dover Police Department, Milford Police Department, Wilmington Police Department, and Rehoboth Police Department. As of January 2024, three of the six LE Diversion projects were funded, case managers were hired, referrals were being received and case management was being conducted.
- During the first quarter of 2023, the Elsmere Bureau of Police clinicians provided 19 referral pamphlets, 5 Arrest Diversions, 15 New Contacts, 7 ER Diversions and conducted 21 Follow-ups.
- Police departments are continuing to hire staff, engage in workforce development, and build their capacity for the COSSAP Saving Lives project.

University of Delaware

- Individual Redcap databases were created for each department and the University of Delaware's Redcap team has trained each department in how to capture and report the data.
- Implemented a survey of police to assess attitudes and opinions about diversion programs at baseline.
- Conducted key informant interviews to determine perceived facilitators and barriers prior to full implementation.

Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health – DSAMH – DE DHSS

- Expand the identifiable and accessible take-back program for unused controlled substances found in the home and used by hospitals and long-term care facilities.
- Provide emergency and transitional housing services.

Department of Services for Children Youth and Families

- Increase services to youth impacted by addiction and work with local, rural law enforcement agencies to serve youth.

HIGHLIGHTS - FY19 SITES

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

- Individual Redcap databases were created for each department and the University of Delaware's Redcap team has trained each department in how to capture and report the data. These databases will be critical to understanding the impact of the program as well as the outcomes.
- Implemented a survey of police to assess attitudes and opinions about diversion programs at baseline.
- Conducted key informant interviews to determine perceived facilitators and barriers prior to full implementation.

DELAWARE STATE POLICE

- The department has contracted with their mental health professional who is providing LE training for mental health (CIT and de-escalation) and drug diversion policy, implementation, and oversight.
- As of December 2022, Millsboro PD and Troops 4 and 7 of the Delaware State Patrol formed a partnership and formal referral process.
- Of all those referrals, the program is averaging an 22.6% admission into treatment and accepting services. Within the group that is able to be contacted by Care Managers, the acceptance rate is 38.8% with 1,026 people accepting treatment in services statewide since Feb. 2021.
- In 2023, 95 individuals in the Millsboro area were referred to treatment.

GEORGETOWN/LEWES/MILTON POLICE DEPARTMENTS

- Mental health providers (MHPs) have been hired and are fully operational in the Georgetown department.
- Integrating the Lewes and Milton police departments into the Georgetown PD Guardians program.
- To date:
 - Over 200 ride alongs were conducted
 - 1,782 new contacts and 437 follow ups were made by the MHPs
 - Over 50 individuals diverted from arrest and emergency room visits
 - Over 200 direct referrals and 1,500 informal referrals by MHPs
 - 691 new contacts
 - 107 follow ups with individuals and family members

DOVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

- The department has partnered with Dover Behavioral Health. They do onsite detox and treatment as well as intensive outpatient treatment. They have also partnered with a local state agency that will provide transport to the treatment center.
- Officers have been assigned to the diversion unit and are participating in ride alongs with New Castle County Police Department that currently has a fully operational diversion program.
- MHPs were hired and fully onboarded in May 2022 and have been working with officers.
- Dover Police Department's RedCap went live July 2022 and is being used to track data.
- As of July 2022 Redcap has recorded:
 - Over 300 people were contacted and provided assistance or resources

SMYRNA POLICE DEPARTMENT

- A licensed clinician has been hired.
- RedCap database is live and ready to capture diversion participants' data.

SEAFORD/LAUREL POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Department created a diversion policy and officers have been assigned to the diversion unit.
- MHP has been given an onsite desk and is working an average of 50 hours per week.
- RedCap went live September 2022, prior to this information was being captured in house via excel.
- Annual totals for 2023:
 - New Contacts: over 3,000
 - Diverted from Arrest: over 15
 - Diversions from ER: 20
 - Follow-ups to individuals/families: over 500
 - Formal/direct referrals to services: over 150
 - Informal referrals to services: over 2,000
 - Ride-along: over 80
 - Meetings, contacts, or community events and facilitated training: over 25



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2019 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the Florida Office of the State Courts Administrator received approximately \$1.5 million to implement the **Family Dependency Drug Court Enhancement Project**. In selecting its local sites, Florida gave priority consideration to regions disproportionately impacted by the use of opioids. Over the funding period, the Family Dependency Drug Court Enhancement Project has provided opportunities for five established dependency drug courts (DDCs, also known as family drug treatment courts) to develop their programs in accordance with evidence-based practices that have been shown to support and promote the success of DDCs. Additionally, the grant has provided enhanced statewide training and technical assistance opportunities by the Office of the State Courts Administrator.

Five (5) sites were selected out of thirteen (13) drug dependency courts in Florida, based on eligibility for grant funding and capacity to participate. The sites increased their capacity to serve families; instituted and enhanced peer-support programs; incorporated medication-assisted treatment (MAT); established substance use disorder (SUD) prevention programs for the children whose parents participate in DDC; execute evidence-based parent-child relationship strengthening programs; strengthen peer-to-peer collaboration between sites with an annual all-sites meeting and cross-site visits; and increase training and technical assistance for issues pertaining to substance use disorder and opioid use disorder.

LOCAL SITES

Broward County Drug Dependency Court

- Broward County DDC grant activities concluded in 2023. Prior to 2023, they hired a certified peer recovery support specialist and held a Circle of Security® training

Citrus County Drug Dependency Court

- MAT services (initial assessment, individual treatment session, Intensive Outpatient Group, medication management, and full psychiatric assessment)
- Parenting classes
- Cognitive behavioral services
- Residential treatment services

Marion County Drug Dependency Court

- MAT services (full psychiatric assessment, medication management, Intensive Outpatient Group, individual treatment session, initial assessment, and Outpatient Group)
- Certified Peer Recovery Support services (Recovery capital assessment, peer led support group, peer coaching, Seeking Safety parenting, case management services)
- Mental health services (initial assessment, individual treatment session, outpatient group)
- Recovery housing
- Seeking Safety (training workshop and workbooks)
- SUD training for 5th circuit
- Transportation reimbursement to treatment-related appointments
- Personalized canopy, brochures, and promotional items for DDC outreach events

Orange County Drug Dependency Court

- A certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist position is supported by COSSUP funding in Orange County.

Palm Beach County Drug Dependency Court

- A certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist position is supported by COSSUP funding in Palm Beach County; Child-Parent Psychotherapy (CPP) to include: initial assessment, collateral support, and reimbursement for travel mileage.

CITRUS COUNTY

In July 2023, the grant provided funding for two of the dependency drug court staff to attend the All-Rise conference in Houston, TX.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

From January to December 2023, Peer Support Specialist services were provided to all the participants in the dependency drug court. The site also provided CPP to two participants and the grant funded the collateral services provided by this CPP provider. The site also facilitated and paid for a one-day in-person Motivational Interviewing training and several follow-up virtual sessions.

BROWARD COUNTY

Broward County DDC grant activities concluded in 2023. Prior to 2023, they hired a certified peer recovery support specialist and held a Circle of Security® training.

ORANGE COUNTY

In 2023, the grant continued to fund a Peer Support Specialist position that worked with all the participants in the dependency drug court. The Peer Support Specialist started providing parenting classes incorporating the Peer's Incredible Years training. The Peer provides these weekly via Zoom to all parents in the program. In June 2023, the grant funded the DDC Coordinator to attend the All-Rise conference in June 2023.

MARION COUNTY

In March 2023, this site received a two-day, in-person Motivational Interviewing training. The site also started billing again for evidence-based programs after a two-month break and this continued for the remainder of 2023. These services included: biopsychosocial assessment, Intensive Outpatient Program group, case management, outpatient group, recovery housing, individual therapy, peer recovery coaching, drug screen, recovery capital assessment, psychiatric assessment, and medication management appointments. The site sent four of the court staff to the All-Rise conference in July 2023. In September 2023, the site purchased new DDC brochures and drug testing supplies. In November 2023, the site also purchased a canopy tent to use at outreach events for dependency drug court.



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2020 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2020, the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) received approximately \$2 million to implement **Georgia's FY20 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) project**. Georgia selected a total of six (6) sites to receive COSSUP funding, including two sites who approached CJCC in search of a funding source for overdose response, and four sites that were selected based on a request for funding proposal (RFP) to join the statewide naloxone initiative.

The CJCC used the FY20 COSSUP award to establish four main goals: (1) launch a multicounty naloxone initiative that includes ongoing law enforcement training and funding to help with opioid reversal drug replenishment; (2) establish and implement a prearrest/post-booking diversion program for youth and adults in Athens-Clarke County who are at a moderate to high risk of substance abuse; (3) increase access to education and treatment for youth in kindergarten through 12th grade in Athens-Clarke County; and (4) provide the City of Savannah with a comprehensive, real-time information collection database to expand the pre-arrest diversion program, which is funded through the FY 2018 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse-site Program (COAP).

LOCAL SITES

Athens-Clarke County

- The Criminal Justice Diversion Program in Athens-Clarke County aims to address opioid use disorder in the community by diverting people to treatment, either before contact with law enforcement or before arrest or booking (intercepts 0–1). The juvenile component addresses substance use and prevention in the juvenile population.

Chatham County Board of Commissioners

- Chatham County (GA) Government is the lead agency and Coastal Georgia Indicators Coalition (CGIC) is the project coordinator for the COSSAP FY20 grant in collaboration with the CJCC for the purpose of the Community Data Platform Grant.

Naloxone Subgrantees

- The four (4) naloxone subgrantees are the Cobb County Sheriff's Office, Dougherty County EMS, City of Jackson Police Department, and the Statesboro Police Department.
- The awarded subgrantees have agreed to the following goals: (1) work with the CJCC opioid project coordinator to maintain an adequate opioid response policy and to facilitate naloxone administration and response trainings; (2) receive funding to support the replenishment of used and expired naloxone for their respective departments; and (3) implement standards for activity that would require reporting in the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP).

HIGHLIGHTS

ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY

- The program continues to accept participants as well as providing support to those who require assistance with their rehabilitation. Since hiring the Certified Peer Support Specialist Case Manager, the program coordinator has completed the administrative work necessary for the grant activities and is still in communication with stakeholders on the program. A more thorough referral and admissions procedure is part of this program.
- Athens-Clarke County is currently working with the Chief Magistrate Judge to introduce the program to people at the first bond appearance. The Magistrate Court wants to assist people looking to access treatment as they enter the CJ system. Beginning the K-12 program still remains a priority for the grant activities.

CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

- Chatham County released a solicitation for a community data platform where the individual organizations can integrate their client tracking software and interconnect with an umbrella platform, which is referred to as the Community Data Platform. Through using the Community Data Platform, first responders can determine the best possible destination for an individual while on the scene. They have two organizations or units of government who are directly entering data: Savannah Police Department and Chatham County Police Department.
- Most recently, permission was granted from the State to begin to tap into the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) with a focus on unhoused individuals in the coastal region.
- In addition to the platform, stakeholders convened to identify best practices and strategies to assist vulnerable populations get connected to appropriate resources.
- The majority of the emergency calls received are reflective of about 30 to 35 of the same people. The goal is to put services in place to decrease residents calling 911 inappropriately and find ways to build relationships with clients and connect them with the appropriate resources to get them the care they need. This is an ongoing process.
- Currently, approximately 26,000 unique individuals are in the system. Since the launch of the platform through December 2023, there have been 372 referrals to local resources and 361 encounters by local law enforcement.

NALOXONE SUBGRANTEES

- CJCC Opioid Project Coordinator continues to provide resources for naloxone kits and training to local jurisdictions. The project coordinator is critical in assisting localities in developing and implementing an opioid response policy to ensure compliance with state and federal laws as well as best practices for naloxone administration. The coordinator has also been charged with ensuring that all law enforcement agencies are registered and actively incorporating ODMAP into their record management systems. The CJCC Project Coordinator will onboard subgrantees and offer support after new awards are activated.



Community Outreach and Education
Medication Assisted Treatment
Naloxone Distribution
Harm Reduction

Idaho



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2021-2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2021, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) received approximately \$3 million to implement the **Idaho Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP)**. Seven (7) local public health districts were selected based on their geographic locations, previous experience providing naloxone trainings and public awareness events to local communities in Idaho.

Idaho's 7 local public health districts (PHDs) are project implementation sites, providing naloxone trainings and overdose rescue kits to law enforcement, first responders, and other vulnerable populations in their regions. Additionally, the PHDs organize and promote permanent drug take-back locations and take-back day events in identified vulnerable counties. To increase accessibility to medication-assisted treatment (MAT), the Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) identified vulnerable counties across the state and funded Project ECHO (Extension for Community Health Outcomes) Idaho and a media-marketing vendor to develop and disseminate educational materials to providers. DHW contracted with provider champions and a media-marketing vendor to develop and distribute a MAT educational toolkit for clinics and providers in identified counties. Finally, DHW contracted with a third-party evaluator to conduct an evaluation of naloxone distribution activities funded under this grant. A final evaluation report will be used to implement changes to naloxone distribution to better meet the needs of Idaho's most vulnerable populations.

LOCAL SITES

Public Health Districts 1–7 (Statewide)

- Naloxone trainings
- Rx drug take-back day events

University of Idaho Project ECHO & Idaho Office of Underserved and Rural Medical Research (IOURMR)

- Provider MOUD continuing education podcasts
- MOUD provider assessment
- MAT Toolkit

Kootenai County Fire and Rescue

- Newly awarded as the statewide naloxone distributor
- Naloxone distribution to Idaho organizations including law enforcement, public safety, and community-based organizations

Comagine Health

- Newly awarded evaluation evaluator of the statewide naloxone distribution program

HIGHLIGHTS

PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICTS 1–7

- The seven local public health districts continue to provide naloxone trainings on opioid overdose prevention and response. In 2023, they have trained a total of 2,536 individuals in their local communities. Trained individuals included general public, law enforcement, people who use drugs, probation and parole, youth-serving organizations, EMS, social workers, and health care workers.

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO PROJECT ECHO & IDAHO OFFICE OF UNDERSERVED AND RURAL MEDICAL RESEARCH (IOURMR)

- University of Idaho's Project ECHO continued their educational podcast series for Idaho medical providers by releasing 7 new on-demand episodes. These episodes covered a range of substances including opioids, fentanyl, and kratom. As of October 2023, the episodes had garnered a total of 639 listens.
- IOURMR and the clinical consultants will conduct quantitative data analysis to inform outreach strategies for informational interviews.
- IOURMR and clinical consultants will develop an evaluation report to identify educational topics and strategies for developing the MAT Toolkit.

COMAGINE HEALTH

- Analyzed quantitative data trends, including fatal and non-fatal overdose data, naloxone and opioid prescribing data, and naloxone request data.
- Disseminated pre-notice letters and evaluation surveys via email and mail to assess reach and effectiveness of statewide naloxone distribution program.
- Analyze survey results to identify trends and opportunities for improvement within the statewide naloxone distribution program.



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2020 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2020, the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration received approximately \$6 million to implement the 2020 **Indiana Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP)**. Indiana reviewed geographic areas in the state to determine program and policy-specific priority areas that may negatively affect their ability to identify, respond to, treat and/or support individuals who are impacted by illicit opioids, stimulants, and other drugs of abuse. Upon completion of the data analysis, seven (7) geographic areas were selected to be subrecipients of COSSUP funding.

Subrecipients of the Indiana COSSUP grant focused on projects and activities that (1) create and support law enforcement and other first responder diversion programs for individuals with nonviolent drug charges; (2) expand and enhance access to supervision, treatment, and recovery support services across the criminal justice system; (3) promote education and prevention activities, specifically within the school systems; and (4) address the needs of children and adolescents who are affected by substance abuse.

LOCAL SITES

Indiana has equipped and supported project partners in 7 counties to implement a variety of projects outlined below.

Clark and Floyd Counties

- Development of the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Model
- Policy changes and best practices
- Transportation and other gaps in services for those entering and leaving the judiciary system
- After-care services
- Housing options
- Employment opportunities

Good Samaritan LEAD of Knox County

- To aid in identifying people of socioeconomic need of assistance
- To provide support with workspace to aid the program
- To take part in training to further the ability for the program to continue to grow

Choices of Fayette County

- Will provide harm reduction training
- Will provide mental health first aid training
- Will provide peer support and an Emergency Response Clinician

Anderson Christian Center of Madison County

- Christian Center is the vendor for the grant, and they provide office space and collaboration for the center
- Looking to create better collaboration with county agencies

Boys and Girls Club of Wayne County

- The role of the schools we are presenting programming in is to provide the time and space to accommodate the program and support the objectives of the program by providing data from the curriculum and from upcoming Indiana Youth Surveys that will help us gauge how students are doing
- The role of the Wayne County Sheriff has been to provide training and resources for the deputized resource officer who facilitates the program and supports the four schools that are participating
- Program/Grant management as the fiscal agent
- Facilitate trainings/deputization

The Lutheran Foundation of Allen County

- Attend Handing Out Hope Resource Fair and pass out information regarding their agencies
- Partner on projects that are mutually beneficial
- Allow our clients easier access to services/shorter wait list times if applicable

Lifespring of Clark County

- Works with Jeffersonville Police Department, ER department doctors and nurses, County Jail staff, homeless community agencies to help identify those individuals who need a referral for mental health services as well as substance use treatment

CLARK FLOYD

- Conducted Needs Assessment of counties
- Published website and created individual social media accounts – (X, Facebook & Instagram)
- Organized community events to reach out and obtain other partners
- Built partnerships and collaboration with nontraditional services providers and non-mental health supportive services
- Developed effective relations with the sheriff's department
- Built relationship with the police department

GOOD SAMARITAN LEAD

- Partnered with local library to hold the first books and breakfast event and planning another in the next reporting period
- Maintained case management software for clients
- Onboarded community partners and accepted clients for program
- Held Project LEAD Event

CHOICES

- Gained support from the LEAD trainers, set up a meeting with the prosecutor, secured some more resources in the community to help better serve participants
- Held meeting with the prosecutor to establish project team
- Conducted client intakes and assessments

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

- Presented the program to 138 students at Northeastern Middle School and collecting data from students
- Collected post survey data from participants and preparing teachers and schools to plan for the 2022-2023 school year for which we will seek a no cost continuation to round out the entire school year and expend grant funding

ANDERSON CHRISTIAN CENTER

- Got staff trained in PRC certification and new client reporting system" after certification
- Have office space for coaches
- Have licensed podcast
- Project staff held PAL classes, worked in jails, and spoke in schools
- Program provided emergency housing and transportation services

LUTHERAN FOUNDATION

- Reached planned client numbers for the year
- Connected with 69 agencies to share important information about services
- Continue to work towards utilizing Instagram for social media presence
- Working on packets that officers can give out to clients they are working with involving grief, substance use, homelessness, mental health services, etc.
- Planning to begin street outreach weekly
- Connect with universities to have interns placed at our agency

LIFESPRING

- Continued distributing naloxone in the community. In February 2023, there was an overdose in the community and a life was saved due to Naloxone provided through the program months prior
- Continues to improve naloxone distribution with outreach to the local homeless populations and we continue to improve our position of support to the County Jail



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2019 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the Iowa Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy received approximately \$1.7 million to implement **Iowa Pathways to Addiction Recovery Project (PAD)**, which implements nationally recognized pre- and post-arrest diversion programs within three counties in Iowa. These efforts help divert individuals with low-level, nonviolent drug charges into community-based substance use and behavioral health services.

Three (3) pilot projects (communities) were selected as part of the application planning process. The Office of Drug Control Policy reached out to various associations representing law enforcement, prosecutors, and substance use/mental health to assist with identifying communities with a need for and interest in participating in a community-based diversion program. Iowa intentionally recruited communities in a way that would make the pilots demographically representative of the state – involving rural, suburban, and urban counties. As a result, PAD project implementation varies and is tailored to each community.

LOCAL SITES

Each of the pilot projects worked with local stakeholders to develop a substance use diversion/deflection model similar to the national models mentioned above but customized to fit the needs and resources of their community.

Story County

- Implemented a pre- and post-arrest diversion program to divert individuals with low-level drug charges out of the criminal justice system and into treatment.

Black Hawk County

- Implemented a jail-based diversion program to provide incarcerated individuals with access to substance use treatment and services, with the option to continue treatment after release.
- Black Hawk County Sheriff office provides office space to house the Engagement Specialist as well as adequate space to for substance use disorder counselor to provide treatment services. Pathways provides the full-time engagement specialist and counselors.

Jones County

- Jones County aimed to implement a pre-arrest diversion program where law enforcement officers can refer individuals to substance use treatment and services.

STORY COUNTY

- Story County has provided law enforcement trainings and Recovery Coach trainings, and they continue to engage with local organizations that they have built relationships with to encourage referrals. Story County participated in the county's homeless point-in-time (PIT) count and gave constructive feedback at monthly meetings leading up to the PIT count for Story County to increase the count to a more accurate number. The program coordinator helped with the summer 2022 count and the winter 2023 official count, and the count has increased.

BLACK HAWK COUNTY

- Inmates are seen at Black Hawk jail for Substance Use Disorder evaluations. Group and individual counseling are provided based on the evaluation outcome and participant interest. Training has been completed at Cedar Falls and Waterloo Police departments.
- 400 self-referrals or referrals from the Black Hawk social worker or NaphCare (Black Hawk jail medical staff) annually to see people who are incarcerated within the jail. The majority are evaluated and offered in-jail treatment to help them focus on making positive changes upon release. The clients are provided individual counseling and/or group treatment to address substance use problems within the jail population and encouraged to continue the treatment if they are released into the community.
- Coordinated with the probation and public defender office, Pathways Detox and the Waterloo Crisis Center, to offer substance use treatment to eligible clients who have been involved with law enforcement to reduce recidivism.

JONES COUNTY

- Jones County continues to run an Advisory Board for the implementation of their COSSUP projects. They have conducted law enforcement and crisis intervention trainings, and continue to build capacity for COSSUP programs with Advisory Board support.



State Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2019 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In Fiscal Year 2019, the Commonwealth of Kentucky received approximately \$5 million to implement **Kentucky Comprehensive Advocacy and Resource Efforts (K-CARE)**. The K-CARE Project, managed by the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, has allowed six (6) project partners in Kentucky to establish Community Resource Coordinator (CRC) teams. The six subgrantees were identified by the Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy based on their ability to readily implement project ideas with COSSUP funds. CRC teams provide supportive services and legal advocacy to opiate-affected individuals and families in all 120 counties in Kentucky.

K-CARE CRCs are also responsible for identifying community resources in order to better meet client's needs for health care services, transportation, employment assistance, job training, vocational rehabilitation programs, and independent/transitional housing options in their communities. For those who need them, K-CARE CRCs also help locate treatment and recovery services using the FindHelpNowKY online portal.

LOCAL SITES

Kentucky has equipped and supported project partners to stand up 6 fully functioning K-CARE projects, and employ 16 CRCs in a variety of settings.

Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of Kentucky (AppalReD)

AppalReD embedded four CRCs inside multiple of their offices, who provided individualized and supportive services to clients and their family members determined to be at risk of substance use disorder (SUD).

Cumberland Trace Legal Services

Embedded 2 CRCs who each coordinate with 2 of Kentucky Legal Aid's four staffed offices in Southwest Kentucky.

Jeffersontown Police Department (JPD)

The JPD established a K-CARE-specific Community Resource Unit, through which they provided trauma-informed services to clients and their families affected by SUD.

Kentucky Access to Justice Commission

Used COSSUP funds to create the Legal Assistance in Treatment Project. CRCs were placed into six treatment centers, allowing clients direct access to such services as legal representation, housing-related needs, and assistance with employment and parenting.

Legal Aid of the Bluegrass

This legal aid organization used grant funds to create an eight-person K-CARE team, including CRCs, intake specialists, and attorneys. The team assisted clients through direct services as well as referrals.

Legal Aid Society

The Legal Aid Society created a two-person K-CARE team, consisting of a CRC social worker and a CRC attorney. These individuals provided clients with crisis intervention, needs assessments, and referrals and connections to other organizations as needed.

APPALACHIAN RESEARCH AND DEFENSE FUND OF KENTUCKY

A CRC supported a client who was incarcerated in 2022. In 2023, she was released from prison and referred to K-CARE services. AppalReD's CRC supported the client working to obtain custody of her two children and navigate legal issues related to a divorce. The K-CARE attorney supported the client in reaching a custody agreement, obtaining a name change and enforcement of a divorce decree that allowed her to keep her car. With housing application support and assistance in obtaining her birth certificate from another state from the CRC, the client is now in public housing with her three children and graduated from the drug court program.

CUMBERLAND TRACE LEGAL SERVICES

"Angela" was referred to Kentucky Legal Aid (KLA) for assistance navigating a pending eviction because of non-payment of rent. Angela is 86 years old with early on-set dementia and mobility issues, which prompted Angela's housing advocate to refer her to KLA for support navigating housing instability. A KLA CRC quickly identified support people for Angela, including family members and her church, who helped to finance moving to a new unit as Angela applied for food assistance and housing benefits with CRC support. Ultimately, Angela received a rental assistance voucher and continues to receive assistance from her support system as she aims to achieve full housing stability.

JEFFERSONTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jeffersontown Police Department's K-CARE unit assisted with a sex trafficking operation from April through June 2023. The operation had a voiced victim-centered focus from the planning period throughout the operation. The REACH Team was able to provide contact information to 7 women, provide 2 REACH kits which include Naloxone, and connect 4 women to resources including housing and utility assistance. Additionally, the department supported a woman found kicked out of her hotel room while struggling with substance use. The department supported enrolling her in detoxification and inpatient treatment, and she now lives in a sober living facility and is doing well.

KENTUCKY ACCESS TO JUSTICE COMMISSION

"JD," a client in Ashland, Kentucky, requested help from the K-CARE project with her criminal case and child protective services case in Circuit Court. A CRC began working with JD to navigate felony charges and a petition to terminate her parental rights. After 6 months in a residential treatment program and continued outpatient treatment, the Cabinet and the Court agreed to return custody of her daughter to her and dismiss the parental rights case after she turned her life around.

LEGAL AID OF THE BLUEGRASS

Legal Aid of Bluegrass's K-CARE project helped one client in getting her felony Possession of a Controlled Substance conviction voided and the record sealed. The client was a single mother who was facing limitations in her employment and housing opportunities from having the felony on her record. Now, the charge will not show up on any type of employment or housing application. In a few years, when the client has met the time requirements under the statute, she will be able to get the case expunged from her record.

LEGAL AID SOCIETY

Thanks to the support of COSSUP, Legal Aid Society's K-CARE team was able to work in conjunction with the Project H.E.L.P. team to begin hosting regular clinics again this quarter. This has allowed Legal Aid Society to meet those in recovery where they are in the community and provide civil legal assistance in their areas of greatest need.



Peers
Emergency Response Services
Medication-Assisted Treatment

Maine



Site Overview

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OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2021, the Maine Department of Public Safety received approximately \$6,000,000 to implement **Maine's Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP)**. The Maine Department of Public Safety has partnered with Maine Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to support the field initiation of medication-assisted treatment (MAT). Three (3) subgrantees were selected after a formal application process solicited from applicants.

The COSSUP program will bring MAT initiation to patients and aim to better serve the population of patients who refuse or decline transport to the hospital after overdose reversal with naloxone. The Department of Public Safety also plans to design and implement a recovery coach training program that will be delivered quarterly throughout the state of Maine. By training these officers, the system expands capacity to connect people experiencing substance use disorder with resources in their community; these efforts contribute to reducing stigma and building community relationships. The program will be intricately connected with the state's existing Overdose Prevention Through Intensive Outreach, Naloxone, and Safety (OPTIONS) Program, which is staffed with peer recovery coaches and has an existing network in communities throughout the state. This partnership between COSSUP and OPTIONS will focus on law enforcement professionals working in the field, including those working for the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency. These partnerships will help bridge the gaps between law enforcement and substance use disorder professionals to better serve Maine communities.

LOCAL SITES

Maine EMS

Provides medical direction and support for MAT, Suboxone, training and education, staff support, naloxone, regional collaboration support, printing and supplies, and evaluation and monitoring support.

Sanford Police Department

Responsible for community outreach coordination.

Maine Drug Enforcement Agency

Provide recovery coach training costs and scholarship program.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Maine EMS collaborates every day with EMS agencies about Substance Use Disorder Programming. Maine EMS is the “help desk” for agencies and clinicians having questions and issues with programming. The Bureau frequently holds meetings and trainings at agencies both day and evening hours when requested. Maine EMS is involved regularly with stakeholders of the program: Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Fire Chiefs’ Association, Maine Hospital Association, Maine Ambulance Association, non-profits dealing with the unhoused, SUD, inequities, law enforcement, and numerous outreach programs across the state.
- Maine EMS developed a peer program with clinicians talking with agency heads and clinicians about this issue and SUD programming offered by the bureau.
- Maine EMS currently staffed the Substance Use Disorder Response Program with a Substance Use Disorder Program Manager and two Substance Use Disorder Program Coordinators. The last coordinator position was filled in July 2023.
- The creation of statewide EMS infrastructure for Leave-Behind Naloxone has been strengthened by the program being mandated for all state-licensed EMS agencies by Maine legislation on December 1, 2023.



Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion
Community Outreach and Education
Housing and Transportation

Maryland



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2019 - 2023

OVERVIEW

The Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services (GOCPYVS) has two COSSUP awards, one that began in Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019) and one that began in Fiscal Year 2022 (FY 2022). Maryland's work includes three Topic Areas: Law Enforcement Diversion, Community Outreach and Education, and Housing and Transportation.

For their FY 2019 grant, GOCPYVS received approximately \$6 million to implement **Regrounding Our Response: A Coordinated Public Safety and Public Health Approach to the Opioid Epidemic (ROR)** using Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) in 9 subgrantee sites. Sites were selected using a data driven evaluation, which used Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP) data to identify communities with the greatest need. During Fiscal Year 2023, the Maryland site applied for and received a second no-cost extension for a portion of their subgrantees, moving their project's end of POP to September 30, 2024.

After applying for additional COSSUP funding, GOCPYVS received approximately \$6,000,000 in additional funds in their FY2022 award, which they are using to expand overdose prevention programming to 6 additional sites across the state.

HIGHLIGHTS - FY22 SITES

CALVERT COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The site is weaving together previously existing grant funds, fee-for-service resources, and in-kind match efforts in collaboration with the Calvert County Office of the State's Attorney and the Calvert County Sheriff's Office to ensure effective LEAD programming.

ST. MARY'S COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

St. Mary's County LEAD Program collaborates with St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office to give individuals that commit law violations driven by unmet behavioral health needs the tools and support to maximize their opportunity for behavioral change. These efforts include conducting trainings within the Sheriff's Office and hiring a Peer Recovery Specialist to work in LEAD efforts.

MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

The Maryland Office of the Public Defender works to screen appropriate participants at local detention centers to connect them to community-based treatment so that the public defender can advocate for the individual's pretrial release or prompt resolution of their case. The office additionally is involved with LEAD efforts in participating counties.

OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH / CORE SERVICE AGENCY OF HARFORD COUNTY, INC. (OMH/CSA)

OMH/CSA is working to develop the following project activities: case management, crisis hotline access, mobile response teams, urgent care assessment and stabilization services, residential crisis services, outpatient therapy, and medication management. They are also collaborating with the Bel Air Police Department on LAED programming, including establishing a LEAD liaison to facilitate referrals to their program.

ALLEGANY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Allegany County Board of Commissioners works to ensure the safety of those placed under the care and supervision of the Allegany County Sheriff's Office - Detention Center by providing evidence-based patient-centered care options and saving lives through medication-assisted treatment for substance and opioid use disorder along with substance abuse treatment services. Through these programs, 162 individuals were screened and identified as eligible for social services benefits in 2023.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Anne Arundel County Health Department created vending machines that contain naloxone kits, masks, condoms, male/female hygiene kits, hand sanitizer, and pregnancy tests. The department collaborates with local libraries to establish locations for the vending machines in places that will effectively reach the community. Their Wellmobile offers additional services onsite at one location, including examinations and wound assessment, cleaning, and care. The site is working on media campaigns to raise awareness about their resources.

LOCAL SITES & HIGHLIGHTS - FY19 SITES

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM BALTIMORE (BHSB)

By hiring a program manager, Behavioral Health System Baltimore facilitated stakeholder planning sessions with several partner agencies to expand existing diversion programs in Baltimore City. The site has since changed their programming to include a community drop-in center which is fully staffed and operational 24 hours a day, 7 days a week as of December 2023, thereby achieving full functionality of the program.

CARROLL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (CCHD)

Carroll County's LEAD program trained officers and was the host of the LEAD pilot zone. Carroll County Health Department collaborated with multiple other government agencies in the county, including the State's Attorney's Office and the Office of the Public Defender, to expand LEAD and support clients engaging with LEAD programming in the county. Carroll County has also secured funding for Quick Response Teams, and is working to get this effort up and running.

CITY OF ANNAPOLIS

The Annapolis site engaged the police chief, local agencies, and two successive program managers within its period of performance but was ultimately unable to implement their program. The site's funding ended on 6/30/2022.

ST. MARY'S COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

St. Mary's County Health Department collaborates with St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office to conduct training sessions for LEAD. This subaward ended as Maryland's funding comes to an end.

MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER (OPD)

The Maryland Office of the Public Defender continues screening, assessing, and connecting justice involved individuals to community-based drug treatment, with individuals entering community-based treatment and additional individuals completing the program. The program has seen success as some participants have reported no arrests or charges after utilization of their services. These measures have helped many people connect with appropriate care more quickly than would otherwise happen and avoid unnecessary incarceration.

WORCESTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

LEAD participants in Worcester County have shown great success, as the site has continued to build and strengthen relationships between the Office of the State's Attorney for Worcester County and local law enforcement regarding LEAD. Notably, a Non-Fatal Overdose Response Team was born out of the site's LEAD and Peer Teams working together to respond to referrals of individuals who have experienced overdose. The site continues to encourage referrals from law enforcement to LEAD programming.

HOWARD COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Howard County trained multiple agencies in LEAD, including collaborations with the Office of the Public Defender, multiple police departments in the county and contracting with case management services. Howard County also facilitated a Community Advisory Board that supported the agencies in implementing LEAD and continues to improve relationships with Emergency Medical Services providers. This subaward ended as Maryland's funding comes to an end.

WICOMICO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Wicomico County's program has expanded case management and legal information support for the development of their LEAD programming. Each week, their Operational Workgroup meets to discuss referrals to LEAD and decide on next steps. The site continuously works to strengthen relationships with case managers and law enforcement to increase referrals to the LEAD program.

WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Washington County has continued to build and strengthen relationships between the Health Department and local law enforcement regarding LEAD. The site's programming includes training officers in LEAD and collaborating with the health department, who provides a peer support specialist, a nurse to triage medical issues, as well as harm reduction services for LEAD clients. Their LEAD program has a new administrator who has helped improve processes, data collection and community partnerships, which in turn has increased referrals and services to individuals in the program.



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2020 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2020, the Massachusetts Administrative Office of the Trial Court received approximately \$6 million to implement **Project NORTH (Navigation, Outreach, Recovery, Treatment, and Hope)**. Project NORTH followed the state of Massachusetts's procurement guidelines to secure local sites for Recovery Support Navigation, with a total of eleven (11) sites participating in Project NORTH as of January 2024.

Project NORTH aims to increase treatment engagement and retention; decrease the risk of justice system involvement; and decrease the risk of overdose among the target population. The principal strategy of Project NORTH is Recovery Support Navigation. Navigators are embedded in one of 12 courthouses across the state and work for a licensed treatment provider in the region of the courthouse. Navigators meet with individuals with indications of substance use disorder who are involved with any court department, then build rapport; assist with identifying and facilitating access to services that meet people where they are; assist with health insurance enrollment, re-enrollment, or adjustment; coordinate short-term care; and connect them to longer-term care management and overdose prevention services.

LOCAL SITES

Recovery Support Navigation

- **Local sites include:** Bay State Community Services, Clinical and Support Options, Inc., Gándara Center, Lowell House Inc., North Suffolk Mental Health Association, Open Sky, Steppingstone Inc., and Manet Community Health
- **Responsibilities include:** court-based navigation to treatment, recovery support, and related services; facilitation of short-term transportation to treatment, recovery support, and related services; and connections to certified sober house (recovery house) with up to 90 days of rent.

Massachusetts Alliance for Sober Housing

- **Responsibilities include:** coordinating certified sober house participation with Project NORTH, disbursing payments, and serving as a liaison with the sober homes.

University of Massachusetts Medical School

- **Responsibilities include:** assistance with the collection, storage, and analysis of participant data, plans for measuring outcomes, and sustainability planning.

RECOVERY SUPPORT NAVIGATION

Navigators are seeing clients and guiding them into services. They are meeting with project partners in their courthouses to develop and maintain relationships that will result in more individuals in need being navigated into services. The team has continued to hold informational meetings for court officials and, in the last 6 months, has held over 20 meetings with court officials and other stakeholders. The state will continue to hold these meetings as we support new and existing sites.

MASSACHUSETTS ALLIANCE FOR SOBER HOUSING

As of November 30, 2023, more than 500 people have been navigated into sober housing with Project NORTH funds, with an average stay of 60 days.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SCHOOL

- Began quarterly reporting on intake and follow-up data in 2023. The quarterly data dashboards include de-identified and aggregate data on every intake question as well as follow-up outcomes.
- From the project's inception to December 31, 2023, Project NORTH has navigated 1,584 clients into community-based services. Among the additional data points: 95% of clients are court-involved (current or previous year case in any court department); 91% have a history of arrest (34% have a history of more than 10 arrests); 58% are currently in or need treatment for a mental health condition; 60% report current homelessness or unstable living situation; 64% are currently unemployed; 43% do not have access to reliable transportation; 48% have an overdose history; 77% have tried treatment before; 61% report their substance use is a considerably or extremely serious problem; and 70% report it is considerably or extremely important that they get treatment today.
- Recovery Support Navigators follow-up with clients on the status of their service access after navigation. Follow-up data shows: 94% of clients have given Navigators permission to follow-up; among those, Navigators have successfully contacted 80% of clients; and among those, 89.5% of clients report successful connection to care.



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Site Overview

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OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2021, the Michigan Department of State Police received approximately \$5 million to implement the **Michigan Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP)**. Michigan State Police has worked closely with local agencies from seven counties in diverse geographical locations: Genesee County, Grand Traverse County, Kent County, Lake County, Muskegon County, Newaygo County, and Shiawassee County. The counties and State Police worked together to identify key overdose prevention activities, which include quick response teams (QRTs), Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD), law enforcement-embedded social workers (LEESW), drug-checking services, medications for addiction treatment in jails, drug take-back programs, and naloxone distribution.

LOCAL SITES

HEALTHWEST

- Community mental health service provider and Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic in Muskegon County; using funds to implement LEAD and LEESW, as well as a LEAD Operations Workgroup in Muskegon County.

MUSKEGON POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Implementing LEAD and LEESW within its agency, as well as a LEAD Operations Workgroup in Muskegon County.

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Implementing LEAD and LEESW within its agency, as well as a LEAD Operations Workgroup in Muskegon County.

GREATER FLINT HEALTH COALITION

- Nonprofit organization in Genesee County using funds to distribute naloxone, offer jail-based treatment for substance use disorder, and host a drug take-back program aimed at limiting the environmental impact of improperly disposed medications.

RED PROJECT

- Nonprofit organization in Kent County; implementing a QRT and drug-checking services to reduce the harm from drug consumption by allowing users to find out the content and purity of substances that they intend to consume.

OWOSSO PUBLIC SAFETY

- Located in Shiawassee County; using funds to distribute naloxone and implement both a QRT and LEAD program.

TRAVERSE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Located in Grand Traverse County; using funds to distribute naloxone and implement a QRT.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

- Has received funds to provide guidance in program development and conduct data analysis for Michigan COSSUP.



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2019 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety and Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) received approximately \$6 million to implement the **Creating an Ecosystem of Recovery Upon Re-entry: Expanding Peer Recovery Specialist and Housing Services across Minnesota Program**. The program guides three categories of overdose prevention activities: (1) Syringe Services Programs (SSP), (2) Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD), and (3) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) response.

In fiscal year 2022, MDH received approximately \$6 million to increase the number of Certified Peer Recovery Specialists (CPRS) working within correctional facilities and with recovery community organizations (RCOs) across the state, strong networks of support will be available to provide a soft landing for returning citizens as well as expand the state's recovery continuum of care specifically for justice involved individuals.

LOCAL SITES - FY2019

Local sites are divided into three program categories to implement a multi-pronged approach to overdose prevention. Syringe Service Program (SSP) sites were chosen based on their capacity to serve as hubs for naloxone distribution across the state. Tackling Overdose with Network Clinics sites were chosen through a competitive application process with MDH in 2018. EMS entities were chosen based on their geographic spread across the state and previous overdose prevention efforts.

Syringe Services Programs

- Rural AIDS Action Network & Southside Harm Reduction Services
- Subgrantees act as hubs to provide naloxone kits to SSP agencies across the state, with the aim of increasing access to naloxone for participants who use opioids.

Tackling Overdose with Network (TOWN) Clinic

- Riverwood Healthcare Center; Chippewa County Montevideo Hospital; Fairview Mesaba Clinic/Range Regional Health Services; Welia; Lake Region Healthcare; Alomere Health
- The TOWN model advocates a multi-strategy approach to reduce opioid overdose within communities, including decreasing chronic opioid prescriptions, increasing access to MOUD, and increasing community coordination and prevention efforts. MDH aims to implement a mixed-methods evaluation of clinic sites, to evaluate outcome and sustainability of the TOWN model. Clinic sites will receive an evaluation summary to guide the development of policies, procedures, forms and other materials for those interested in implementing TOWN.

Regional EMS Directors

- **Central EMS Region Joint Powers Board; Arrowhead EMS Association, Incorporated; Greater Northwest EMS, Incorporated; South Central Minnesota EMS Joint Powers Board; Southeastern Minnesota EMS Joint Powers Board; Southeastern Minnesota EMS Joint Powers Board; Southwest Minnesota EMS Corporation; West Central Minnesota EMS Corporation; North Memorial Ambulance**
- Partnerships with EMS directors support putting peer recovery specialists in emergency departments to decrease overdose fatalities, increase access to recovery support services, and decrease emergency department recidivism. Implement treatment linkage by EMS to provide naloxone to individuals at scenes of overdoses and making home visits to provide individuals with treatment linkage services. Implement overdose fatality review teams, which are multidisciplinary teams that review overdose deaths with the intent of identifying new prevention strategies.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Minnesota Department of Corrections (DOC) hired a certified peer recovery support specialist as well as a certified peer recovery specialist supervisor to support implementation of peer recovery training with currently incarcerated individuals and release planning prior to re-entry. The certified peer recovery support specialist will provide wrap around supports to currently incarcerated individuals in preparation for release including connecting individuals with community resources, e.g., housing, recovery meetings, and peer recovery specialists working in the community. The certified peer recovery specialist supervisor will organize peer recovery trainings, manage finances and invoicing, and coordinate with Minnesota Recovery Connection (MRC) and RCOs across the state to develop referral protocols and processes. DOC has shared MRC's pen pal form to all SUD programs, Case Managers, and Transitions Coordinators. DOC has referred 187 people to RCOs, and 3 individuals trained to be a certified peer recovery support specialist through the partnership between DOC and Minnesota Recovery Connection.

MINNESOTA RECOVERY CONNECTION

Minnesota Recovery Connection (MRC) provides culturally specific peer recovery support services subject matter expertise (SME), programmatic guidance, and training to peer recovery specialists and RCO executive staff. MRC will develop a peer recovery training implementation manual which will be used to coordinate a series of peer recovery trainings at MN DOC facilities. Since April 2024, the seven RCOs have hired 13 new peer recovery specialists; of those new hires, 3 individuals were previously trained through the partnership between DOC and MRC. An additional 13 individuals who were trained through the DOC and MRC are currently volunteering at a partnering RCO, which for many RCOs is the first step to gaining employment. RCOs are working to provide additional tiered structures within their agencies so that people coming from incarceration have supportive opportunities to move through increasingly independent roles towards becoming permanent peer recovery specialists. This demonstrates that even within the first year we are seeing the connections between people being trained while incarcerated being connected to meaningful roles within RCOs across the state.

ANISHINAABE ENDAAD

Anishinaabe Endaad will work to improve the accessibility and availability of recovery-oriented housing in Minnesota for Native American corrections involved individuals with substance use disorder. Anishinaabe Endaad is dedicated to providing hope, growth, and opportunities for Native American men seeking recovery in Minnesota. They will offer culturally specific permanent supportive housing to primarily Native American men with Substance Use and Mental Health Disorders who are experiencing homelessness or transitioning from correctional institutions. Through partnerships, they will increase the availability of housing and supportive housing services for Native American corrections involved individuals with substance use disorders with a focus on those leaving incarceration.

EMERGE

EMERGE Reentry Services, and their project partners will provide 150+ people who are leaving incarceration or overcoming justice involvement with support to transition into safe stable housing that supports recovery from the traumas of incarceration and substance use disorder. EMERGE will provide housing navigations, reentry case management, and other supportive reentry services. In addition, EMERGE will provide and expand recovery-oriented housing options for corrections involved individuals with substance use disorder during the reentry process.



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Mississippi



Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2020 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2020, the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) received approximately \$6 million to implement the 2020 **Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) for Mississippi**. In partnership with the Mississippi Public Health Institute (MSPHI), the Mississippi Forensics Laboratory, and the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC), MSDH aims to reduce the impact of opioids, stimulants, and other substances on individuals and communities through the development, implementation, and expansion of evidence-based support, prevention, and recovery services.

LOCAL SITES

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER'S DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY AND HUMAN BEHAVIOR

This UMMC department implements evidence-based universal substance use disorder screening and outpatient substance use disorder treatment in six Mississippi Department of Health (MSDH) clinics. Additionally, they created state-of-the-art web-based naloxone training available to all first responders and law enforcement agencies in Mississippi and provide leadership in the development of a comprehensive, real-time statewide web-based inventory of substance use disorder treatment resources. By the end of 2023, the UMMC was collecting usage data from the training site they developed to inform updates to the site. Usage data from July, August, and September reflects that webpage interaction is low but increasing.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTE

The Mississippi Health Institute (MSPHI) provides contracts for project's Care Coordinators, develops and conducts training, and coordinates calls between Care Coordinators and UMMC. Additionally, MSPHI collaborates with the MS Department of Health to establish a reporting system for the Care Coordinators to report information regarding referrals, interim care and client follow-up. By the end of 2023, this grant partner developed the "Overdose Survival Packet" (OSP) to provide information, resources, and guidance for peers to distribute to those seeking assistance for substance use disorder in their communities. They have also developed the MSPHI Peer Support Training Program to equip and empower peers with the skills required to address substance use issues, provide support, and create a network of assistance within their communities.

MISSISSIPPI FORENSICS LABORATORY

This office implemented a new coroner/Medical Examiner case management system, aimed at enhancing the speed and quality of reporting SUD-related causes of death. By the end of 2023, the forensics laboratory chose and acquire MDILog as the new case management system and all data has been transferred from the old system.



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Nevada



Site Overview

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OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2021, the Nevada Office of the Attorney General received approximately \$5 million to implement a statewide **Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulation, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP)** project with the main purpose of addressing the drug problem in Nevada by (1) both enhancing existing and implementing new drug deflection and diversion programs of Mobile Outreach Safety Teams (MOSTs) and/or Forensic Assessment Services Triage Teams (FASTTs), (2) providing naloxone, and (3) holding drug take-back days to address the and mental health crises.

The project is poised to serve eight sites from the 6 counties and one independent city in Nevada: Carson City and Churchill, Douglas, Lincoln, Lyon, Nye, Storey, and Mineral Counties.

LOCAL SITES

COMMUNITY CHEST, INC.

- Active in Storey and Mineral Counties, Community Chest provides both MOST and FASTT services.

CHURCHILL COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES

- Churchill County Social Services is the provider for FASTT services in Churchill County.

CARSON ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING

- This organization provides MOST services in Carson City, the only city-level implementation site under this grant.

CARSON CITY JUVENILE SERVICES

- This organization provided FASTT services in Carson City.

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES COALITION

- This is the provider of MOST and FASTT programs in Lyon County. Healthy Communities Coalition also provides community outreach in Lyon County.

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS)

- The DHHS is part of the Regional FASTT Data and Learning Collaborative, which is working to implement a larger MOST and Crisis Intervention Team collaborative that meets monthly. This collaborative also provides training to local grantees in the use of CMIS (Community Case Management System).

LYON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES

- This office coordinates the MOST and FASTT services provided by Healthy Communities Coalition; both are active in Lyon County.

NYE COMMUNITIES COALITION

- In Nye and Lincoln Counties, this subawardee provides FASTT and MOST services. In addition, the coalition coordinates drug takeback events and distributes Naloxone throughout the area.

PARTNERSHIP DOUGLAS COUNTY

- This organization coordinates the MOST and FASTT programs in Douglas County.

NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION - UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO (UNR)

- The University of Nevada, Reno is this COSSUP grant's evaluation partner. UNR collects and analyzes data that all local sites submit to CMIS, with the eventual goal of a full project evaluation.

NORTHERN REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COORDINATOR (NRBHC)

- Funded alongside the DHHS, the NRBHC assists in the Regional FASTT Data and Learning Collaborative, including ongoing meetings and engagement with local sites.



Site Overview

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OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2021, the New Hampshire Department of Justice received approximately \$4.7 million to implement the **Prevention, Enforcement, & Treatment (PET) Program**. The program originated in the Laconia Police Department, and grant funds will be used to enhance and continue the program work. The PET Program works to support those in communities that struggle with substance use disorders (SUDs) by connecting them to treatment and Peer Recovery Support resources. The program works to build community-based resources who can collaborate with law enforcement to lower fatal and nonfatal overdoses.

LOCAL SITES & HIGHLIGHTS

AMOSKEAG HEALTH

This medical clinic received a subaward under New Hampshire's grant to help each local agency examine the effects and interactions of ACES and SUD in its population. Amoskeag provides police departments with tools for teaching, measuring, and collecting data on these factors.

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Belknap County municipal police department uses COSSUP funds to employ a part-time police retired PET police officer to connect with individuals with SUD, refer them to services, and educate the community at large.

BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

This police department is in the process of training a new officer to their PET position for community outreach and referrals.

LACONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

This police department is in the process of training a new officer to their PET position for community outreach and referrals.

LONDONDERRY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Located in Rockingham County, this police agency originally had trouble staffing a grant position due to personnel shortages. Currently, a senior officer is identifying patrol officers to liaise with the public, and project hiring remains under way. This organization has also created and distributed packets to individuals struggling with addiction, which offer resources and guidance to individuals with SUD.

MACHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

This Hillsborough County department employs two part-time officers, a peer support specialist, and a community health care worker, all paid through overtime funds. The Manchester PD has collected significant data on their outreach and post-overdose follow-up efforts; despite the continued difficulty in finding individuals after an overdose event, their data collection effort is successful, and they have received evaluation assistance from a local graduate student at St. Anselm's College.



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New Jersey

Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2021 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In 2021, the state of New Jersey received two COSSUP awards, one through its Department of Law & Public Safety for approximately \$6 million and one through its State Parole Board for approximately \$3 million.

The New Jersey State Parole Board (NJSPB), in partnership with Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care (RUBHC), developed the **Supporting the Path to Recovery (SPR)**. SPR was developed to assist participants (i.e., parolees) with a history of Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and a co-occurring mental illness. The target population to be served under this grant statewide is a minimum of 110 justice-involved adults beginning with individuals released from NJ state correctional facilities to parole supervision from the following counties: Burlington, Camden, Essex, Hunterdon, and Mercer. Justice-involved people with a history of SUD (either documented or verbally reported) are identified by their Parole Counselor prior to their release from prison and are referred to receive peer recovery support services with the aid of a Peer Health Navigator (PHN).

The New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety (DL&PS) implements Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) sites across the state. With LEAD, a police officer completes a warm handoff to community-based case management, rather than making an arrest. Once a police officer calls the LEAD case management team, they come to the scene or the police station to meet the individual, explain LEAD, and invite the person to opt into LEAD. Once the person has accepted the referral, the officer is free to return to duties on the street. Through an ongoing collaboration, the officer is invited to the ongoing working group to follow the progress of individuals who are diverted from an arrest.

The program will use most of the funding for public or private public health entities who are interested and capable of developing and implementing LEAD sites in at least one of six selected municipalities. The remainder of the funding is dedicated to (1) an academic partner to assist with data collection and analysis, (2) training and technical assistance from the LEAD National Support Bureau, (3) hiring a program manager, and (4) travel to Bureau of Justice Assistance conferences.

STATE PAROLE BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care (RUBHC) was selected as a statewide, contracted partner agency, to provide a comprehensive, evidence-based response to support participants on their paths to recovery from SUD.

Highlights include:

- Expansion of the SPR program to two additional New Jersey counties and development of an 'exit interview' survey to be distributed to participants as they 'graduate' from the SPR program.
- Ongoing recruitment in all five counties.
- PHNs, the Mental Health Clinician, and Case Manager meet with SPR participants, transport them on occasion, and meet with Parole Officers to discuss participants' progress.
- The SPR program utilizes a modified Critical Time Intervention model whereby PHNs meet with participants at least once per week during the first four months the participant is in the community, then at least twice per month over the following four months, and at least once per month over the final four months.
- From the start of the SPR program, NJSPB and RUBHC supervisory staff have been meeting weekly to discuss challenges and successes, and to review the progress of SPR participants. These meetings continue to be held weekly.
- Data collection (for an outcome evaluation) has begun and is ongoing, as is an implementation evaluation.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY HIGHLIGHTS

The state partners with six public-health-oriented entities with experience coordinating and/or providing substance use and/or mental health services to implement LEAD programs in at least one of the six selected municipalities. An academic partner acts as the subrecipient responsible for working directly with each site to develop data collection guidelines that consider each jurisdiction's individual project and needs, ensure that data are being collected appropriately and timely by each site, and evaluate the collected data on an ongoing basis.

Developing and Implementing LEAD:

- Bright Harbor Healthcare
- Inspira Health Network, Inc.
- Trintas Regional Medical Center
- Prevention is Key, Inc.
- Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care



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OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene, Inc. at the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) received approximately \$1 million to implement its FY19 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program (COAP). OASAS partnered with the New York State Unified Court System (NY UCS), Center for Justice Innovation, and Lerner Center for Public Health Promotion in the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University on the New York Opioid Treatment Court Enhancement Project. The purpose of the project is to enhance and evaluate substance use treatment and recovery support service systems treating individuals participating in opioid courts throughout New York.

In fiscal year 2021, OASAS partnered with Policy Research Associates and NY UCS who received approximately \$5 million to implement the New York Rural Opioid Court Initiative. This initiative provides the infrastructure, planning, implementation, and evaluation of evidence-based treatment interventions, supervision, and recovery supportive services to rapidly divert defendants with substance use disorder, at high risk of overdose in eight rural New York State counties including Chenango, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Genesee, Greene, Lewis, and Sullivan.

HIGHLIGHTS - FY2019

- Correctional Counseling provided training on opioid-specific Moral Reconation Therapy (MRT-O) to grantee staff working with program participants. A certified trainer provided certificates of completion to trainees.
- The Change Company provided training on the Interactive Journaling program, which is a writing-based therapy that aims to help individuals with Substance Use Disorder through recovery and guide them away from recidivism. The clinicians providing the training assist participants in areas of focus and continued use of journals.
- Commonly Well provided access to and training in the Recovery Capital Index program, a tracking software specialized to drug use recovery. Setup and trainings were provided to 10 drug courts in the state, with support and project analysis continuing after initiation.
- OASAS partnered with Rulo Strategies to conduct process evaluations on the use of the Recovery Capital Index software mentioned above.
- 10 courts implemented MRT-O and Interactive Journaling with participants in 2022. Courts represent diverse geographic areas of the state in the counties of Chemung, Queens, Suffolk, Kings, Oneida, Troy, Dunkirk, Nassau, and Oswego.
- 177 court participants began using one of the interventions during 2022.

HIGHLIGHTS - FY2021

- Sequential Intercept Mapping Workshops (SIM) were conducted in Sullivan County, Genesee County, Greene County and in Delaware County. Division of Policy and Planning (DPP) staff have been meeting with Court teams to begin working on the action plans and develop operational materials.
- SIM Workshops are in the planning process for Lewis County, Chenango County, Cortland County and Columbia County.
- DPP staff have held virtual sessions with Cortland County stakeholders and Genesee County stakeholders to provide education about the Opioid Court Model and background information about the Rural Opioid Court Initiative.
- Role specific virtual Learning Collaborative sessions were held for all Rural Opioid Court Initiative participants including Court Coordinators and judges.
- Website for Opioid Court Center of Excellence is in development.
- In recognition of the challenge of integrating peers into opioid courts, NY UCS DPP staff served as treatment court subject matter experts for the Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers of New York State (ASAP) Certification Board to work in consultation with a psychometrician to establish new peer certification standards and an ethical framework for a Criminal Justice Supported Recovery certification to be released by ASAP in early 2024.



Site Overview

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OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NC DHHS) received approximately \$6 million to implement the **North Carolina Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program**. NC DHHS funded six sites to develop or expand services in the areas of (1) pre-arrest diversion programs, (2) jail-based overdose prevention education programs, and (3) comprehensive jail-based medication-assisted treatment (MAT) programs.

LOCAL SITES & HIGHLIGHTS

ATS OF NC, LLC MOUNTAIN HEALTH SOLUTIONS ASHEVILLE

This subgrantee provided both jail-based overdose education and Naloxone distribution and pre-arrest diversion. Throughout the grant, organization staff consistently met with the local jail staff, and peer support specialists secured medication lockboxes and helped participants enroll in Medicaid.

COASTAL HORIZONS

With the provision of both diversion services and jail-based medication programs, Coastal Horizons regularly referred participants to their COVID-based peer support group.

PARTNERS HEALTH MANAGEMENT

This subgrantee trained participants in the use and administration of Naloxone while incarcerated. Partners Health Management also provided Naloxone to individuals who were being released, as well as general harm reduction education.

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER - SOUTH ATLANTIC

The Family Resource Center established a jail-based MAT program over the course of the grant.

BEAUFORT COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Beaufort County Health Department used their COSSUP funding to provide overdose education classes within the county correctional facility. During the grant, they began working with several public health educators in the area, establishing a continuum of care for individuals being released.

CATAWBA VALLEY HEALTHCARE

This organization created a successful MAT program in their local jail, such that the local sheriff asked them to continue in future.

Site Overview

A summary of grantee activity from FY 2020 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2020, the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services received approximately \$7 million to implement **First Responder Diversion Programs in Ohio**. The program has allowed nine counties—Cuyahoga, Fairfield, Franklin, Hamilton, Lawrence, Lorain, Richland, Ashland, and Huron—to develop or expand Quick Response Teams (QRTs), or other deflection models including Officer Led Intervention Pathways, Targeted Outreach, or Self-Referral Pathways.

In fiscal year 2022, the Ohio Department of Health received approximately \$6 million to implement multiple initiatives including the expansion of evidence-based harm reduction activities to Black and Hispanic populations, improving access to medication-assisted treatment (MAT) within existing Syringe Service Programs (SSPs), and providing harm reduction services to those leaving local or regional jails. These initiatives are being implemented by the Lucas County Regional Health District, Summit County Public Health, Stark County Health Department, Lorain County Public Health, and the Trumbull County Health Department.

OHIO OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICE FY2020 HIGHLIGHTS

HAMILTON COUNTY HEROIN COALITION TASK FORCE

This subgrantee, having a high proportion of African American residents, focused on support and proactive outreach to Black individuals with Substance Use Disorder (SUD). Various data sources were used to identify potential outreach recipients, and a partnership with the local branch of Urban Minority Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Outreach Program (UMADAOP) allowed further support.

FAIRFIELD-ATHENS MAJOR CRIMES UNIT (PROJECT FORT)

Fairfield-Athens Major Crimes Unit provides Narcan, bus passes, and peer support specialists to their program participants. QRT and Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion models, as well as community-based training, were also significant parts of this effort.

LAWRENCE COUNTY DRUG & MAJOR CRIMES TASK FORCE

This subawardee focuses on youth education and court outreach. School programs, including the "Prom Promise" drug and alcohol discussion, and local court treatment options are being implemented. Lawrence County personnel also distributed Naloxone in schools and trained school nurses in its administration.

METRO RICHLAND (METRICH) TASK FORCE (RICHLAND, ASHLAND, AND HURON COUNTIES)

This task force covers ten counties, but only two of them participated in the 2020 COSSUP project. Ashland and Huron Counties, as part of METRICH, identified representatives from law enforcement in those counties, as well as a treatment provider and a peer recovery support representative, all funded by the grant. Information was provided to METRICH participants, as well as referral and QRT services.

METROHEALTH-WESTSHORE ENFORCEMENT BUREAU (CUYAHOGA COUNTY)

This three-QRT Cuyahoga County team increased their Narcan distribution significantly over the grant period of performance through the inclusion of law enforcement in the project. They implemented a self-referral model, but continued to obtain participation from local stakeholders and hope to reduce clients' wait for service.

FRANKLIN COUNTY HOPE TASK FORCE

This second Franklin County effort concentrated on transportation and reduction of overdose deaths. Cordata and Microsoft Excel software were used to track overdose incidents and mental health process of participants, and ODMAP uploads were performed by Franklin County EMS and Fire Departments.

OHIO OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICE FY2020 HIGHLIGHTS CONT.

LORAIN COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

The Lorain County subawardee team partnered with their Sheriff's Office to implement a QRT team, establish trust within the community, and reduce opioid-related overdoses. Several organizations formed the task force, with Memorandum of Understandings including mental health services and the county Drug Addiction Board.

FRANKLIN COUNTY SAFE STATION

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OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FY2022 HIGHLIGHTS

LUCAS COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT

The Lucas County Regional Health District plans to increase overdose education and naloxone & fentanyl test strip distribution through service entities and naloxone vending machines/naloxone boxes to the Black, Hispanic, and rural populations. They also provide syringe service supplies, HIV and syphilis testing, wound care review, and initiate MOUD treatment at SSP locations. They are implementing harm reduction vending machines in local and regional jails, and creating an awareness campaigns with messaging that supports promoting education on the dangers of fentanyl, the availability of naloxone and harm reduction supplies, and the increased risk of overdose for minorities and individuals leaving incarceration.

SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

Summit County Public Health plans to install naloxone vending machines and provide referrals to syringe service programs to individuals upon release from jail. They have established a referral system to connect SSP participants MAT services. Additionally, they will provide naloxone and fentanyl test strips to minorities by partnering with minority-led organizations and the installation of naloxone boxes/cabinets for emergency use.



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OVERVIEW

- In Fiscal year 2019, The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) and its partners received funding to determine the geographic distribution of drugs throughout two subgrantee regions; Beaver County and Washington County. Subgrantees and partners of the FY2019 award include:
 - Beaver County Commissioners
 - Washington County Commissioners
 - NMS Laboratories
 - Ohio High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area
 - University of Pittsburgh's Program Evaluation Research Unit and Overdose Reduction Technical Assistance Center
- In Fiscal Year 2020, PCCD received funding to support sites in six counties (Carbon, Clinton, Dauphin, Fayette, Northumberland, and Snyder) in implementing the Law Enforcement Treatment Initiative (LETI) diversion program, comprehensive jail based screening protocols, and reentry services for individuals with substance use disorder. Subgrantees and partners of the FY2020 award include:
 - Carbon County Commissioners
 - Clinton County Commissioners
 - Dauphin County Commissioners
 - Fayette County Commissioners
 - Northumberland County Commissioners
 - Snyder County Commissioners
 - University of Pittsburgh's Program Evaluation Research Unit and Overdose Reduction Technical Assistance Center
- In Fiscal Year 2022, PCCD received funding to increase access to substance use disorder (SUD)-related resources in a variety of implementation counties. Specifically, county projects support programs providing harm reduction approaches; reducing incarceration; accessing medications for opioid use disorder; and amplifying the voices of individuals with lived experience in SUD.
 - Alleghany County
 - Chester County
 - City University of New York, Institute for State and Local Governance (ISLG)
 - Dauphin County
 - Franklin County
 - Justice System Partners (JSP)
 - York County

HIGHLIGHTS

FY2019 SITES

Washington County Commissioners has completed training on their Mx908 mass spectrometer device and the use of the Case Explorer case management software. While Washington County met delays in the seizure of illicit drugs at the start of the grant, they eventually collected, analyzed, and tracked multiple samples. Beaver County successfully collected, logged, and analyzed multiple drug samples throughout the grant period of performance. Despite delays in obtaining initial samples, Beaver County eventually used their Mx908 mass spectrometer to analyze and log locally seized samples. MS laboratories helped local sites analyze samples and provide up-to-date information on substance trends. Ohio High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area assists Washington and Beaver counties to implement Case Explorer software. The University of Pittsburgh's Program Evaluation Research Unit and Overdose Reduction Technical Assistance Center helped both counties create implementation guides, facilitate contact with outside agencies (such as the FBI), and assist each county in being trained on its new Mx908 mass spectrometer. The school also helps each county manage its data through the Case Explorer software.

FY2020 SITES

Subgrantees and project partners partnered with the Office of the Attorney General and created a county-specific Pennsylvania (PA) LETI policy. In the first month of the policy, Clinton County had eight documented PA LETI diversions. The Dauphin County District Attorney's office added a behavioral health-focused attorney to its team. This person will help to increase the office's capacity to broaden relationships with law enforcement and revise county-specific PA LETI policies to better meet the needs of people with SUD who interact with the criminal justice system. The Fayette County Drug and Alcohol Commission expanded PA LETI referral sources to include the county's main emergency medical service provider. Pitt PERU conducted five semi structured interviews and distributed staff surveys to representatives from five local county correctional facilities as part of its SUD and reentry needs assessment. Pitt PERU and the OAG assisted local sites/subgrantees with strategic outreach and training to improve linkages with local law enforcement partners and increase law enforcement's understanding of diversionary programming and the LETI program. Pennsylvania funds other FY20 local sites implementing the LETI Diversion program and reentry supports including: Carbon County Commissioners, Northumberland County Commissioners, and Snyder County Commissioners.

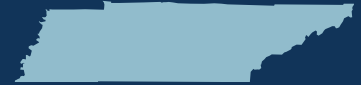
FY2022 SITES

Allegheny County is focusing on peer support. Chester County Prison, a base for this county's project, uses funding to provide a MAT awareness campaign. As the data collection and analysis partner, ISLG will work with each implementation site to analyze their needs and data-related gaps. ISLG will conduct an evaluation with recommendations at the end of the grant. Dauphin County, also part of the 2020 Pennsylvania award, is continuing peer recovery and mobile case management services begun under the previous grant. Franklin County will be offering simulations having to do with overdose prevention. JSP will provide TTA to each implementation site. They will assist ISLG in the "needs assessment" at the start of the project, using this information to create case management and coaching frameworks, provide trainings, and engage other agencies as needed. York County is planning a SIM Crisis Mapping and other data collection.



Naloxone Distribution
Harm Reduction
Law Enforcement Diversion
Emergency Response Services
Data Collection and Sharing
Reentry Services
Housing and Transportation
Peers
Youth and Family Programming

Tennessee



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OVERVIEW

The Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (TDMHSAS) has two COSSUP awards, one that began in Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019) and one that began in Fiscal Year 2020 (FY 2020).

Tennessee's FY 2019 grant entails utilization of Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) workshops at each project site, bringing together law enforcement, jail personnel, probation or parole, court personnel, emergency medical services, treatment providers, and community members with lived experience with a substance use disorder to determine the gaps in service that exist and formulate a plan to address some or all gaps utilizing grant funding. Five (5) counties were chosen to enhance those projects that were initially implemented under Tennessee's 2018 COAP grant, and six (6) were chosen to implement new projects. The six new counties were chosen based on their respective per-capita fatal and nonfatal overdose rates.

For their FY 2020, TDMHSAS received approximately \$6 million to implement TDMHSAS Statewide Comprehensive, Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) FY2020. Additional subgrantees implemented the same programs as the FY2019 grant, selecting ten (10) subgrantees that have substantial rural populations and are designated High-Poverty Areas or Persistent-Poverty counties.

LOCAL SITES - FY19 SITES

TENNESSEE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation provides enhancement of six regional Drug-Endangered Children Response Teams serving these project sites.

BRADLEY COUNTY, MCNABB CENTER, & CADAS, INC.

Provides Certified Peer Recovery Specialist for people serving State Probation or Parole.

HAMILTON COUNTY COALITION AND VOLUNTEER BEHAVIORAL HELATH

Provides service linkage for people preparing to be released from jail.

4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT RECOVERY SERVICES, INC.

Provides housing services and support for a platform to connect local stakeholders for information sharing and care coordination.

TRUE PURPOSE MINISTRIES

Provides treatment services.

CEDAR RECOVERY

Pre-arrest diversion center that provides school and business outreach.

FAMILIES FREE, INC.

Provides service linkage for people preparing to be released from jail.

KNOX COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Leads the Overdose Fatality Review Team.

PROMISE CENTER, INC. & SULLIVAN COUNTY ANTI-DRUG COALITION

Provides Criminal Justice Case Management and leads a Peer Recovery Support Project.

RECOVERY COURT OF SUMNER COUNTY, INC.

Provides Criminal Justice Case Management.

MENTAL HEALTH COOPERATIVE, INC.

Provides Community Outreach and Medication Assisted Treatment.

TENNESSEE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Leads a Drug-Endangered Children Response Team in Putnam County, as well as Forensic Scientists and Forensic Technicians to reduce the backlog in testing evidence for illegal substances.

BRADLEY COUNTY PREVENTION COALITION

Provides jail reentry and peer support services in the local jail.

TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF RECOVERY COURT PROFESSIONALS

Provides evaluation services for the projects through Allard Consulting.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Provides evaluation services for the projects.

GRUNDY COUNTY

Implementing a Law Enforcement-Assisted Diversion project where one LEAD-trained officer is on call during peak hours when calls to respond to SUD-related incidents are highest, and employing a Jail Release navigator to identify people whose release from jail is imminent and connect those with the highest risk of substance use relapse to appropriate treatment, recovery, and/or housing resources.

ROANE COUNTY

Implementing a Release Navigator to identify people whose release from jail is imminent and connect those with the highest risk of substance use relapse to appropriate treatment, recovery, and/or housing resources.

COCKE COUNTY

Hiring a person to transport jail inmates and other justice-involved individuals to treatment and recovery appointments, as necessary. In Cooke County, the population is under 36,000 people, and there is a lack of public transportation and affordable private transportation (no taxi, Uber/Lyft can be prohibitively expensive, etc). Many of these individuals will have no reliable transportation or be otherwise unable to drive to their appointments. Additionally, Cocke County is working to partner with Westcare, a regional treatment agency with a presence in the county, to provide reentry services such as education, discharge planning, and connection to other local resources.

ANDERSON COUNTY ANTI-DRUG COALITION

Employing a co-responder with local emergency services in instances of drug overdoses, providing risk screenings for potential future overdoses and connections to local treatment services. Additionally, Anderson County Government is working to purchase Naloxone kits for use in overdose situations.

MCNABB CENTER

Case manager to work with justice-involved individuals, specifically those with misdemeanors (an underserved population in the county) to connect them to treatment, recovery, and housing resources with the goal of preventing relapses and giving individuals all the tools necessary to become, and remain, drug-free. McNabb Center already has a robust hiring and training program in the region, already has people on staff who are qualified and able to work on this project and could implement it quickly.

CHEATHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COALITION & DICKSON COUNTY JAIL CHAPLAINCY

Provide Certified Peer Recovery Specialist to provide peer support for people who are struggling with substance use disorders. These sites already employ several Certified Peers and have a robust training program and support network in place.

PROFESSIONAL CARE SERVICES OF WEST TN

Provides a Case Manager and a Certified Peer Recovery Specialist to provide services to justice-involved individuals in the hopes of keeping them engaged in the treatment and recovery processes to avoid relapse. These could be people who are awaiting trial for an offense, people who are nearing release from the local jail, and people who have been released but are at risk of relapse and possible overdose.



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OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the West Virginia Division of Administrative Services, Justice and Community Services received approximately \$6.5 million to implement FY 2019 **West Virginia Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program**. The projects funded under the program focus on three primary goals: (1) to expand and improve the state's Handle with Care (HWC) initiative, (2) to enhance and expand the West Virginia Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program, and (3) to enhance and expand telehealth services for those in underserved and geographically isolated areas.

LOCAL SITES & HIGHLIGHTS

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COMISSION

The Hampshire County Commission provides telehealth services and South Branch Valley Day Report Center has employed a nurse to coordinate these efforts. By the end of 2023, 42 program participants have been enrolled in telehealth services and received therapy needs. 21 of the clients utilized the telehealth program MAT services.

HARMONY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Harmony Behavioral Health provides telehealth services for psychiatric treatment and medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for over 400 patients. They conduct assessments for prospective participants and collect bloodwork and vital signs for enrolled participants. Grant funds are used to cover the cost of treating uninsured participants.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS, INC.

Community Connections partners with key law enforcement, Quick Response Teams (QRT), and LEAD programs in the region to implement community, school, and law enforcement officer substance use disorder education. Additionally, they partner nationally with Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA); QRT; the National Alcohol Beverage Control Association; and NAADC, the Association for Addiction Professionals. Drug enforcement administration Take-Back Days in all five counties have yielded over 2,087 pounds of returned medication.

HORIZON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Horizon Behavioral Health provides staff supervision, training, and evidence-based direct care to identified sites and additional West Virginia Day Report Center sites as needed. They have initiated a relationship with staff and students at George Washington University to conduct research demonstrating the utility of the current project. The program had 84% of available appointments used by month 9.

JEFFERSON DAY REPORT CENTER

The Jefferson Day Report Center provides a comprehensive mental health referral process across 9 counties. The Center provides individual and group therapies along with psychiatric services to many underserved West Virginians. They also offer Narcan training virtually and provide prescription Narcan to all trained clients through a partnership with the University of Charleston's School of Pharmacy.

LOGAN COUNTY COMMISSION

Logan County Commission provides telehealth services for psychiatric treatment and MAT, including conducting assessments for prospective participants. Most clients received 1 or 2 contacts per month, while others received 3 or 4 contacts per month.

LOCAL SITES & HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED

MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION

- The Marshall County Commission conducts clinical intake assessments on all individuals referred to the program. A level of Service/Cases management inventory is conducted on referred people who have been charged with a criminal offense and treatment plans are developed for all participants who enter the program.

MONONGALIA COUNTY COMMISSION

- The Monongalia County Commission provides individual therapy, group therapy, women's trauma group, women's graduate group, assessments to determine diagnoses and treatment plans, and medication management.

PRESTERA CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

- The Prestera Center program includes Narcan distribution efforts and substance use prevention skills training. Addiction severity and behavioral health index assessments are provided to clients and additional assessments are provided on an as-needed basis. Each client receives an individualized treatment plan that are tailored to meet the scheduling needs of the client and includes access to telemedicine services.

PRESTON COUNTY COMMISSION

- The Preston County Commission provides gender-specific groups and services. There is an on-site provisionally licensed professional counselor (under approved professional supervision) and licensed social worker are available on site.

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES/BUREAU FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY

- Through the WV DHHR, LEAD has expanded from being managed through five community behavioral health centers to eight, encompassing 31 counties throughout West Virginia. Efforts to expand LEAD to three additional counties are underway.

HANDLE WITH CARE (WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE)

- The Handle with Care Program supports drug affected youth in counties across West Virginia. The West Virginia State Police's Center for Children's Justice helps coordinate the Handle With Care Program by hosting trainings, annual conferences, and monthly meetings.

WEST VIRGINIA PREVENTION SOLUTIONS

- West Virginia Prevention Solutions delivers medication safety and social normed messaging to the public via public service announcements. Additionally, they provide safe disposal options for citizens.

UPSHUR COUNTY COMMISSION

- The Upshur County Commission receives referrals for service and conducts level of service/case management inventory evaluations to determine risk/need level and needed services/programming. The Commission also maintains open communication with Harmony Behavioral Health. In 2021, 98 participants were successfully serviced through telehealth and of these, 65 successfully completed the program. 33 participants are actively receiving telehealth services.

TUCKER COUNTY COMMISSION

- The Tucker County Commission reduces recidivism of program participants in Tucker County and helps participants with enrollment in health care.

MINERAL COUNTY COMMISSION

- The Mineral County Commission provides telehealth services at the Mineral/Grant County Day Report Center.



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A summary of grantee activity from FY 2020 - 2023

OVERVIEW

In fiscal year 2019, the Wisconsin Department of Justice received approximately \$5 million to implement the Wisconsin 2019 **Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-based Program**.

The program has two main components: (1) to provide funding to sites in Wisconsin to implement and enhance programs that provide medication-assisted treatment (MAT) to incarcerated people who have an identified opioid, alcohol, or substance use disorder and (2) to support law enforcement–led deflection initiatives. Funding has been awarded to seven sites for administering approved medications and to two sites for implementing law enforcement–led deflection programs.

LOCAL SITES & HIGHLIGHTS

DUNN COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COLLABORATION (MAT)

The Dunn County Criminal Justice Collaboration offers individual MAT education classes twice per month. They also offer CPR classes for inmates.

FOND DU LAC COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (MAT)

All Telehealth equipment has been implemented and is running at the Fond Du Lac County Health Department. They have also created a program manual for its program offerings and placed a copy in the county jail's library.

WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (MAT)

The Wood County Sheriff's Department provides Naltrexone tablets and Naltrexone injections in jails.

KENOSHA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

The Kenosha County Sheriff's Department has expanded from one to two MAT providers and provides fentanyl test strips and naloxone to people being released from jail.

OTHER LOCAL SITES INCLUDE

- MARATHON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (DEFLECTION)
- ST CROIX COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (MAT)
- CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
- WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (MAT)