



## Letter of Intent for 2024 Opioid Settlement Fund Grants

In 2017, Rutherford County signed onto the national opioid litigation lawsuit. National settlement agreements, worth over \$50 billion, have been reached. As part of the settlement, Rutherford County signed the **North Carolina Memorandum of Agreement** (<http://tinyurl.com/NCMOAlink>) which details how the funds can be used to combat the opioid overdose crisis. Rutherford County is currently slated to receive approximately \$10,810,488 over an eighteen-year period. In 2022, the County created the Rutherford County Opioid Settlement Committee to advise the county on how best to appropriate the funds. This committee is comprised of local subject matter experts who work in the field of substance use disorder prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery.

The committee has recommended to allocate the funds for the fiscal year 2024-2025 through a two-step process. First, the committee has gathered a subcommittee to review Letter of Intent submissions to evaluate potential proposals. Finalists selected by the subcommittee will be invited to complete an extended application. Applicants must complete the Letter of Intent form to be considered for full funding. Each applicant must request a minimum of \$25,000 with a maximum of \$500,000 available for all 2024-2025 projects. The committee hopes to fund multiple projects for this fiscal year. Please complete this PDF with answers to all questions and submit via email with "Opioid Settlement Funds Letter of Intent" in the subject line OR send via mail as a single packet to the address below by **5:00pm Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> 2024**.

### Eligible Applicants Must:

- Submit proposals aimed at addressing issues related to the opioid overdose crisis in Rutherford County.
- Be able to submit a budget and project timeline if selected to complete the full application.
- Be willing and able to comply with the requirements detailed in the North Carolina Memorandum of Agreement (linked above).

Please email or mail your completed LOI packet to:

Payton Williams at [payton.williams@ncacc.org](mailto:payton.williams@ncacc.org) or 289 North Main Street,  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139



## Letter of Intent Form for 2024-2025 Opioid Projects

Name of Contact and Title \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Tax ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Exempt Status?  Yes  No

Website \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

County where your organization is located \_\_\_\_\_

Title of proposed project \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested (Minimum \$25,000. \$500,000 available for all 2024 projects)  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

*The Rutherford County Opioid Settlement Committee has prioritized the following strategies based on committee and community input: Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment, Recovery Support Services, Recovery Housing Support, Post-Overdose Response Team, Addiction Treatment for Incarcerated Persons, and Early Intervention.*

Please check the NC MOA Exhibit A Strategy(ies) your proposed project falls under:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Collaborative Strategic Planning   | <input type="checkbox"/> Naloxone Distribution                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment | <input type="checkbox"/> Post-Overdose Response Team                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recovery Support Services          | <input type="checkbox"/> Syringe Service Program                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recovery Housing Support           | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Justice Diversion Programs          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment-Related Services        | <input type="checkbox"/> Addiction Treatment for Incarcerated Persons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Intervention                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Reentry Programs                             |

*For complete definitions of each of the NC MOA Exhibit A strategies, see the NC MOA linked above.*

1. Provide a brief description of the project, including the types of services you would provide, and how these efforts would save lives from opioid overdose. (type response below)

2. Are there any existing service providers in the area already providing the services presented in this proposal? If yes, explain why this project is needed. (type response below)

3. Who would benefit most from this project? Please describe the population to be served. (type response below)

4. How does your organization plan on engaging those who have been impacted by substance use disorder? (type response below)

5. Per strategy selected, explain how your project fits within the requirements described in the NC MOA. (type response below)