

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board of Health
INITIATED BY



10/24/2022
DATE DRAFTED

Accepting Implementing Overdose Prevention Strategies at the Local Level Grant Funds and Amending the 2022 Rock County Public Health Department Budget

WHEREAS, the National Association of County and City Health Officials is the administrator of the Implementing Overdose Prevention Strategies at the Local Level grant, which provides funding to local health departments through a national, competitive grant process; and,

WHEREAS, the funding is intended to support the implementation of evidence-based strategies to prevent overdoses; and,

WHEREAS, preliminary data indicate that 74 residents of Rock County died due to overdoses in 2021, which reflects a rate of 45.4 deaths per 100,000 residents; and,

WHEREAS, overdose deaths can be prevented; and,

WHEREAS, the health department will use the funding to implement an evidence-based anti-stigma campaign, coordinate anti-stigma training for healthcare and first responders; and,

WHEREAS, the department will also use the funding to implement an overdose alert system in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, increase access to opioid data, increase access to harm reduction services, and develop/distribute overdose resource kits; and,

WHEREAS, the strategies to be implemented align with identified opportunities to prevent overdoses that were highlighted in community engagement sessions leading up to the development of the Rock County Opioid Settlement Funds Report of Recommendations; and,

WHEREAS, the funding is for the timeperiod of November 1, 2022 – January 31, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 17th day of November, 2022 does hereby authorize Rock County Public Health Department to accept funding of \$158,884 through the National Association of County and City Health Officials Implementing Overdose Prevention Strategies at the Local Level Grant and amend the 2022 Rock County Public Health Department budget as follows:

Account	Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
Source of Funds Federal Aid 31-3320-0250-42100	\$0	\$158,884	\$158,884
Use of Funds Administrative Expense 31-3320-0250-63110	\$0	\$74,921	\$74,912
Other Contracted Services 31-3320-0250-62119	\$0	\$77,400.00	\$77,400.00
Office Supplies & Misc Expenses 31-3320-0250-63100	\$0	\$6,000	\$6,000
Travel	\$0	\$563	\$563

31-3320-0250-63300

FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution accepts and authorizes the expenditure of \$158,884 in funding for overdose prevention strategies. No County matching funds are required.

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to § 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2022 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to § 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.

Bridget Laurent
Deputy Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith
County Administrator

Committee Action

Board of Health

The Board of Health recommended this resolution for approval by a voice vote of 7-0. No one opposed.

Finance Committee

Finance Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote. Supervisor Farrell was absent.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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The Rock County Public Health Department has been awarded a grant through the National Association of County and City Health Officials to implement overdose prevention strategies that include data sharing, partnering with healthcare and first responders, stigma reduction campaigns, and harm reduction activities. Rock County has been experiencing a high burden of overdoses and overdose deaths for over a decade, which has impacted countless residents. This grant will bring additional resources to Rock County to address the issue of overdoses and will enhance the efforts of organizations engaged in this work. Funding will be used to cover the cost of supplies and contracted services to implement the strategies as well as associated personnel time.