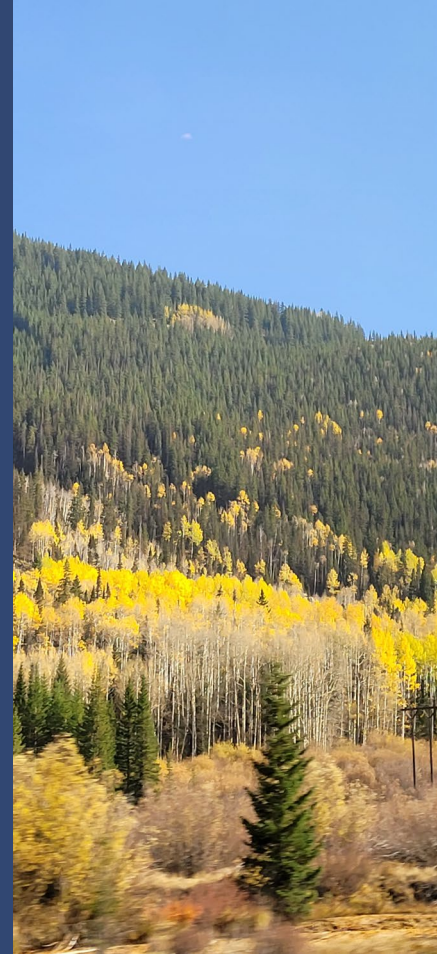




Phil Weiser

Colorado Attorney General

2023 Opioid and Other Substance Use Disorders Interim Study Committee



Presented on June 29, 2023
By Jamie Feld, MPH
Deputy Director, Opioid Response Unit





Together we remember.





Combating the Colorado opioid crisis:

Investing settlement dollars in communities for addiction treatment, recovery, prevention, and education.

\$385 million



\$150 million



\$50+ million



\$40 million



\$90 million



\$18 million



\$10 million



Colorado Attorney General – Outreach (Picture in Montezuma County – July 3, 2021)





Colorado Opioid Settlement MOU Signing – August 2021

**Colorado
Opioid
Settlement
Funds
Distribution**

20%



**Direct Allocation by Formula to
Participating local Governments**

**Requirements – Full Transparency*

60%



**Regional Opioid Abatement Fund
Formula Allocations to Regions**

**Requirement – Full Transparency*

10%



**Infrastructure Fund – State
This fund will support hard hit areas
in the state with resource needs**

**Requirement – Full Transparency*

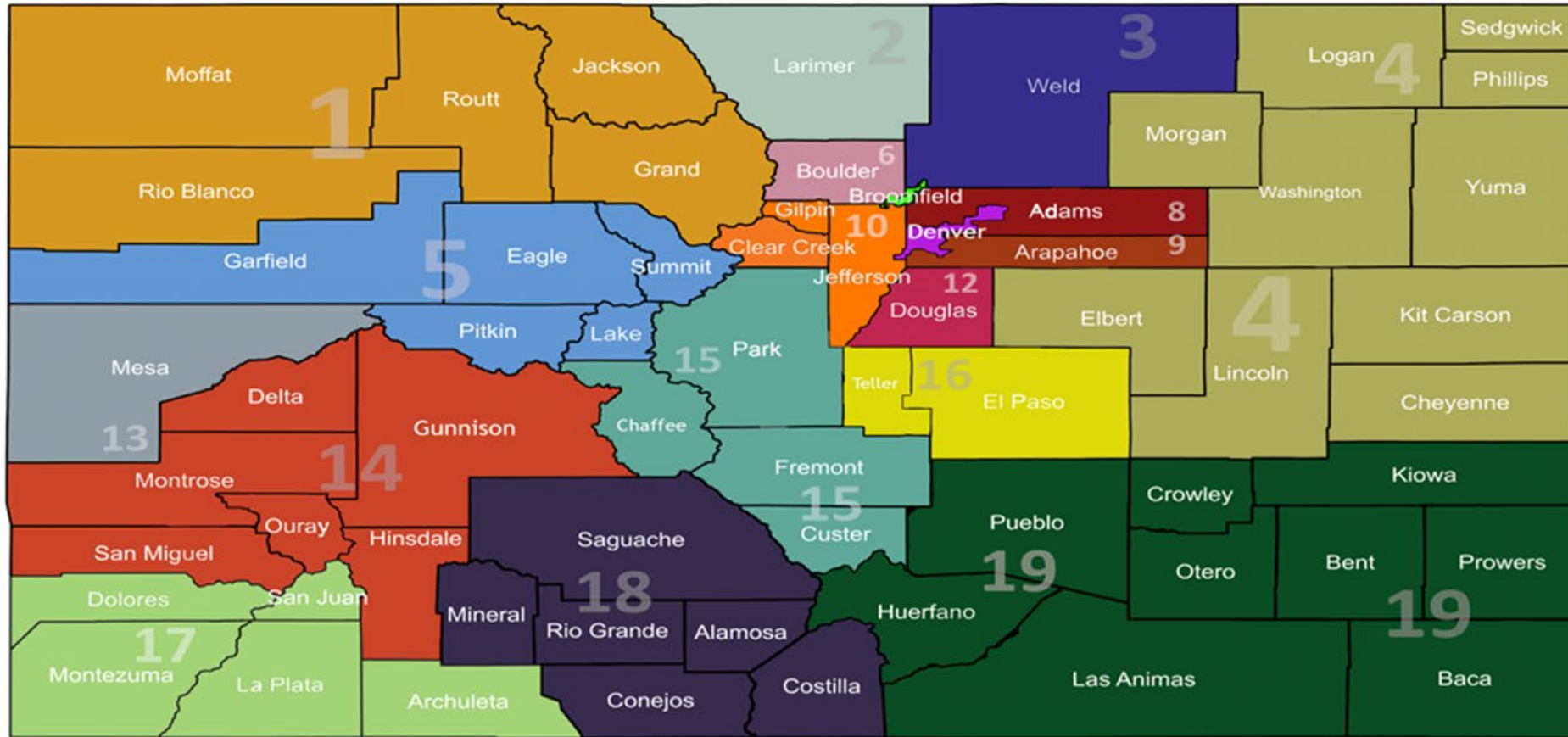
10%



**Direct Allocation to State Government
Requirement – Full Transparency*

Regional Opioid Abatement Councils

Regions for the distribution of opioid settlement funds



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|----------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Region 1 | Region 5 | Region 9 | Region 13 | Region 17 |
| Region 2 | Region 6 | Region 10 | Region 14 | Region 18 |
| Region 3 | Region 7 (Broomfield) | Region 11 (Denver) | Region 15 | Region 19 |
| Region 4 | Region 8 | Region 12 | Region 16 | |





Colorado Opioid Abatement Council (COAC)

13 Members
AG is the non-voting Chair

6 Local Government Appointees

- 2 Western Slope
- 2 I-25 Corridor
- 2 Eastern Plains

6 Attorney General Appointees

- 2 Licensed in SUD
- 3 with Experience in SUD
- 1 Individual with Lived Experience



Regional Opioid Abatement Council (ROAC)

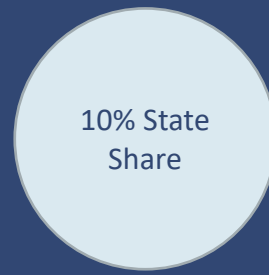
Membership

Voting Members

- County Rep*
- Municipal Rep
- Public Health Rep
- Police, Sheriff, DA Rep
- Courts Rep

Advisory Members

- Treatment Providers
- Recovery Providers
- Harm Reduction
- Individuals with Lived Experience
- Other



Opioid Crisis Recovery Funds Advisory Committee

Membership

13 Governor Appointees

- Licensed Physician
- Licensed Pharmacist
- Licensed Nurse
- Licensed Dentist
- Licensed Veterinarian
- Licensed Phys Therapist
- Local Public Health
- Affected Person
- Affected Family
- Advocacy Organization
- 16 State Organization Appointees

*Each Regional Council should have a representative from each county

Opioid Crisis Recovery Funds Advisory Committee created through HB 19-1009



State Settlement Dashboard

<https://coag.gov/opioids/dashboard/>



Settlement Distributions

Regional Funds

Local Government

State Share and Infrastructure

About



Colorado's Opioid Settlement Funds Framework

Settlement Distributions

\$700 Million

Total Amount of Anticipated
Allocations

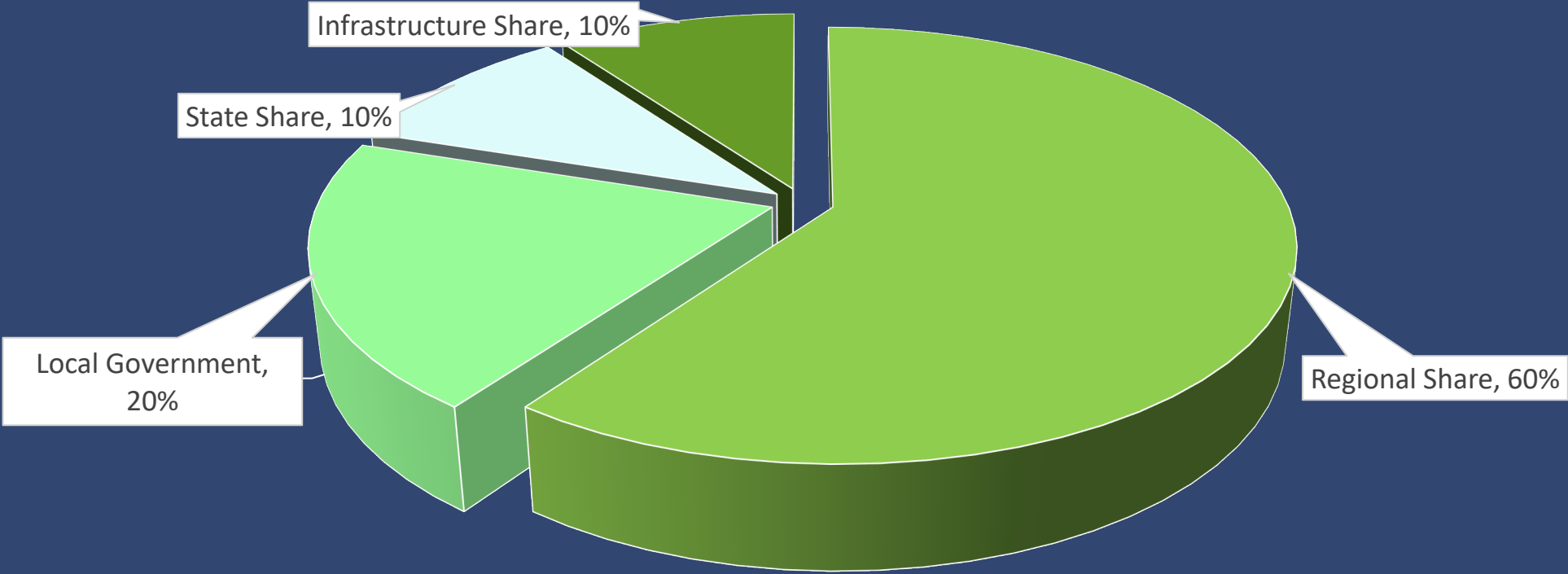
\$39,178,092.74

Current Funding
Allocations

312

Participating Colorado Government
Entities

Opioid Settlement Distributions



■ Regional Share ■ Local Government ■ State Share ■ Infrastructure Share



Scroll through and select a region to learn more. To select multiple regions, use control (ctrl) + click

REGION

- Select all
- REGION 1- NORTHWEST
- REGION 2- LARIMER
- REGION 3- WELD
- REGION 4- NORTHEAST
- REGION 5- I-70 MOUNTAIN

Planned Expenditures

\$27.08M

TOTAL PLANNED EXPEND

TREATMENT

\$15.66M

PREVENTION

\$7.93M

REGIONAL AREAS

\$3.49M

PEOPLE IN TREATMENT AND RECOVERY

\$7.8M

PREVENTION OF OPIOID USE

\$4.6M

TREATMENT OF OPIOID USE (OPIOID) AND ITS EFFECTS

\$3.5M

CRIMINAL JUSTICE-INVOLVED PERSONS

\$3.4M

OVERDOSE DEATHS AND OTHER HARM

\$3.2M

Visit Website For Current Info

Infrastructure Share Funding Opportunity, Round 2

- Funding Amount: **\$3.1 Million** from the 10% Infrastructure Share
- Funds available twice annually from Infrastructure share
- Visit the following to stay informed:
 - <http://coag.gov/opioids/Colorado-opioid-abatement-council/>
- Register for the Newsletter:
 - <https://tinyurl.com/opioidsnewsletter>
- Email: COAC@coag.gov

Infrastructure Share Round 1 Awardees \$1.9M

The following programs received awards in Round 1:

- **Region 18, SLV Recovery LLC, and Roofers in Recovery/Hope in the Valley:** \$199,650 – The funds will assist SLV Recovery with the infrastructure needs for the first CARR recovery housing in the San Luis Valley and Roofers in Recovery/Hope in the Valley to open the area's first public residential treatment facility.
- **Arapahoe County and Arapahoe County Public Health (Region 9):** \$344,723 – Arapahoe County Public Health Harm Reduction, through the Mobile Outreach program, will expand access to low-threshold, low-barrier addiction, and harm reduction services for people at highest risk of near-term death from opioid use disorder, particularly in remote parts of the county and adjacent communities. The program includes a mobile unit and a team of harm reduction outreach specialists that will be sent to areas with high rates of opioid use and overdose to engage individuals, provide culturally relevant harm reduction services, and link those with opioid use disorder to comprehensive community-based care.
- **Fremont County and the Fremont County Boys and Girls Club (Region 15):** \$500,000 – The grant will help the club fund the purchase and expansion of the building where it currently houses its programs. After-school programs provide safe, constructive, and positive spaces during the hours of 3-6 p.m. when children are more likely to engage in risky behaviors including substance experimentation and abuse. Fremont County is a rural area and is in the top 10 Colorado counties with the highest opioid-related death rate per capita.
- **Town of Buena Vista and the Boys and Girls Club of Chaffee County (Region 15):** \$500,000 – The club plans to construct a facility to support the delivery of prevention-based programming to local youth. With a growing membership exceeding 320 kids per year and daily attendance regularly exceeding 100, the need for a new, permanent Buena Vista Boys & Girls Club facility is critical.
- **Douglas County and Valley Hope Association (Region 12):** \$250,000 – The grant will go to supporting the Building Hope Parker Project expansion to increase capacity for care and treatment from 800-1,100 patients annually. This proposal exhibits regionalism in that Hope Valley works closely with most major hospitals and maintains strong relationships with other treatment centers and sober living homes across Colorado's 64 counties. Building Hope Parker will provide substance use disorder services to people around the state, including those in rural and underserved areas.
- **Thornton Police Department (Region 8):** \$130,000 – The Thornton Police Department intends to establish a Naloxone Plus Program, allowing the city to hire a coordinator to follow up on overdose cases, bringing in an array of service providers to assist in long term recovery and rebuilding the whole person.

Opioid Abatement Innovation Challenge Funding Opportunity

- Funding Amount: **\$4 Million** from the 10% State Share
- Visit the following to stay informed:
 - <https://coag.gov/funding-opportunities/>
- Register for the Newsletter:
 - <https://tinyurl.com/opioidsnewsletter>
- To Apply, Email: Procurement@coag.gov

Approved Opioid Abatement Purposes

<https://coag.gov/app/uploads/2022/07/CO-MOU-Exhibit-A.pdf>

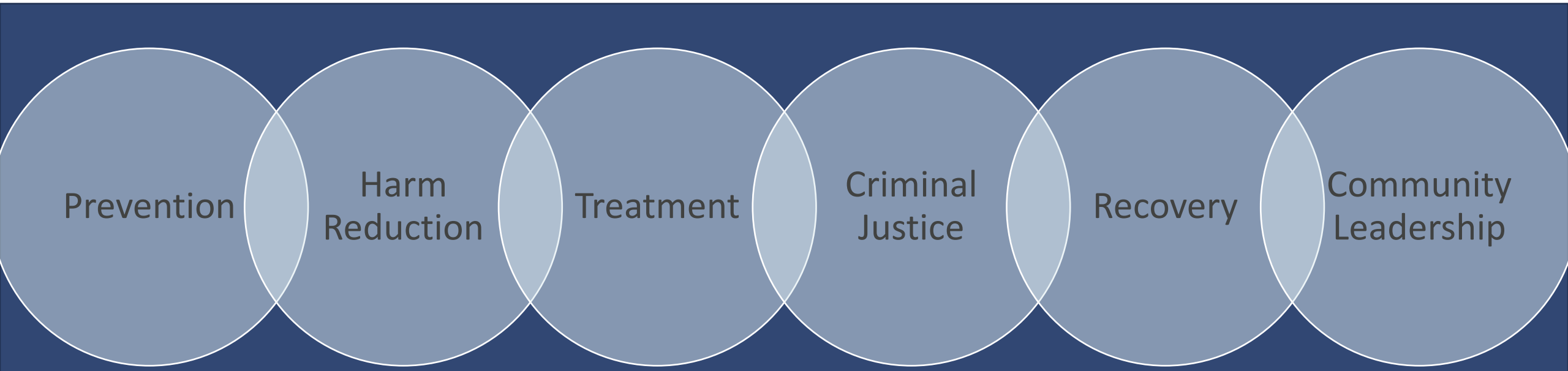
POTENTIAL OPIOID ABATEMENT APPROVED PURPOSES

I. TREATMENT

A. TREATMENT OF OPIOID USE DISORDER AND ITS EFFECTS

1. Expand availability of treatment, including Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and any co-occurring substance use or mental health issues.
2. Supportive housing, all forms of FDA-approved MAT, counseling, peer-support, recovery case management and residential treatment with access to medications for those who need it.
3. Treatment of mental health trauma issues that resulted from the traumatic experiences of the opioid user (e.g., violence, sexual assault, human trafficking) and for family members (e.g., surviving family members after an overdose or overdose fatality).

Opioid Settlement Funds – Allowable Uses Areas



Principles Coalition Announces Inaugural Winners of Award for Excellence in the Application of the Opioid Litigation Principles



NPR Article: *“Some states, like North Carolina and Colorado, have posted their distribution specifics online. But in most other places, tracking payment amounts requires people to make phone calls, send emails, and file public records requests with every local government for which they want the information.”*

Special Achievement in GIS
Award 

State Share Allocations

Innovation Grants

\$4M in competitive grant

Closes June 30, 2023

Prevention

Substance Use Prevention Campaign for 10-14 Year Olds and Their Trusted Adults

\$750K

Fall 2023 Anticipated Launch

Tribal Funds

Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

Southern Ute Mountain Tribe

Approx. \$2M

Treatment in Criminal Justice Setting

Medications for Opioid Use Disorder/Medicaid Care Coordination in Prison

Interagency Agreement TBD



[Home](#) > [Opioid response resources](#)

Opioid response resources

Community resources

> Go here if you need help or looking for treatment:

Get Help

Call 1-844-493-TALK

Text TALK to 38255

OwnPath: [Online Treatment Locator](#)

[IMatter](#): Free therapy for all Colorado youth

^ Go here if you or a family member or friend of someone struggling with opioid use disorder:

^ Go here if you are a family member or friend and would like to get more involved:

^ Go here to hear more about Coloradans stories of recovery from substance use disorder:

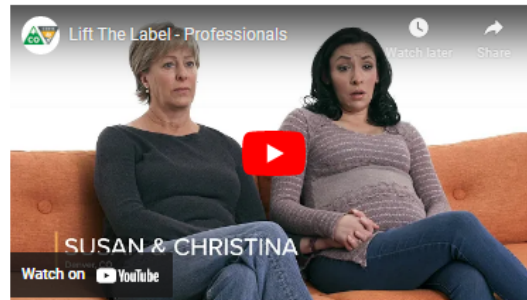
^ Go here to learn about opioid use disorder, treatment and naloxone:

^ Latest news and updates:

^ Fentanyl awareness

Regional council and local government resources

> Go here to learn about the opioid settlement framework:



[Liftthelabel.org](https://www.liftthelabel.org)

Opioid Response Resources on COAG website:

<https://coag.gov/opioid-response-resources/>



SAVE THE DATE!



**MONTROSE, CO
AUGUST 16-18, 2023**

Aim to have at least 2-3 representatives
from each Opioid Settlement Region



Questions?

Please don't hesitate to reach out if we can be of any assistance, we're here to help!

Other Resources

Colorado Memorandum of Understanding

State Settlement Dashboard
<https://coag.gov/opioids/dashboard/>

Opioid Response Unit Webpage
<https://coag.gov/opioids/>

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