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# Behavioral Health Services Opioid Settlement Funds

Presentation to the Family and Human Services Committee of the Board of Supervisors

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# THE LAWSUITS AGAINST THE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES

During the course of the opioid overdose epidemic, state, local, and tribal governments have brought lawsuits against pharmaceutical and drug distribution companies to recover costs associated with the epidemic and ensure that future crises are prevented.

Though often referred to in tandem, the Janssen & Distributors (J&D) Settlements come from two separate agreements – one through a nationwide lawsuit against Janssen Pharmaceuticals and the other through a nationwide lawsuit against McKesson, AmerisourceBergen, and Cardinal Health ("the Distributors").



# **Opioid Settlement Funds Background**

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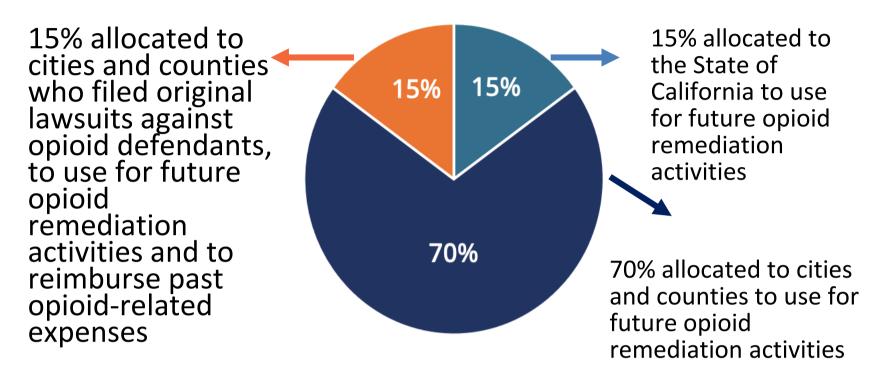
### **Overview**

- Participating companies include: Janssen (J&J), McKesson, Cardinal Health,
   AmerisourceBergen, Teva, Walgreens, CVS and Walmart
- California is expected to receive approximately \$2.05 billion from the J&D Settlement Agreements, which will be paid through 2038. The majority of funds will be provided to Participating Subdivisions to be used for opioid abatement activities
- Contra Costa County receives funding through participation in California's national opioid settlement agreements finalized in 2022–2023.<sup>1</sup>

### **Administration and Oversight**

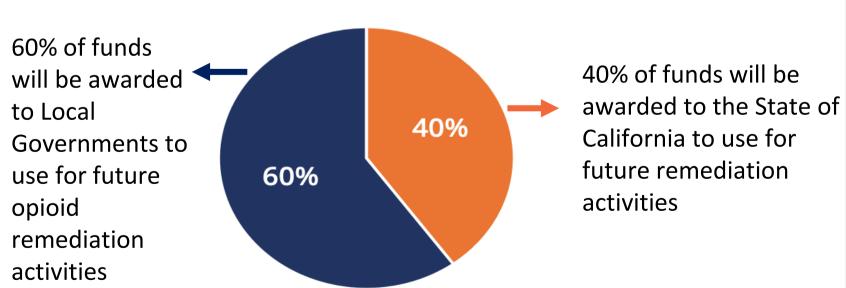
- Funds are overseen by the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS).<sup>2</sup> Payments are distributed and tracked by the national settlement administrator BrownGreer PLC.
- Funds would be disbursed annually for up to 18 years
- Administrative cost are capped at no >5% of jurisdiction's total funding allocation

### **Distribution of California's Opioid Settlements**



■ California State Fund ■ Abatement Account Fund ■ California Subdivision Fund

### **Distribution of California's Bankruptcy Settlements**



- National Opioid Abatement Trust II Fund State Share
- National Opioid Abatement Trust II Fund Local Government Share

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# **Abatement Activities and Allowable Expenditures**

No less than 50% - High Impact Abatement Activities (HIAA)

No.	Activity
1	Provision of matching funds or operating costs for substance use disorder facilities with an approved project within the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP)
2	Creating new or expanded substance use disorder (SUD) treatment infrastructure
3	Addressing the needs of communities of color and vulnerable populations (including sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations) that are disproportionately impacted by SUD
4	Diversion of people with SUD from the justice system into treatment, including by providing training and resources to first and early responders (sworn and non-sworn) and implementing best practices for outreach, diversion and deflection, employability, restorative justice, and harm reduction
5	Interventions to prevent drug addiction in vulnerable youth

### **Priority Core Abatement Strategies & Exhibit E**

# **Schedule A: Core Strategies**

- » Naloxone or Other FDA-Approved Drug to Reverse Opioid Overdoses
- » Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) Distribution and Other Opioid-Related Treatment
- » Pregnant and Postpartum Women (screening, referral, treatment, etc.)
- » Expanding Treatment for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)
- » Expansion Of Warm Hand-Off Programs and Recovery Services
- » Treatment for Incarcerated Population
- » Prevention Programs
- » Expanding Syringe Service Programs
- » Evidence-Based Data Collection and Research Analyzing the Effectiveness of the Abatement Strategies Within the State



#### **SETTLEMENT SOURCE AMOUNT RECEIVED TO DATE ABATEMENT FUNDS** 17,397,375.95 3,877,714.43 **SUBDIVISION FUNDS** CA MALLINGCKRODT ALLOCATION (NOAT II) 464,041.82 **ENDO PUBLIC OPIOID TRUST** 419,145.65 MCKINSEY SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT 441,906.26 **Amount Received to Date** \$22,600.184.11 **AMOUNT SPENT TO DATE** 1,014,996.37 FY23/24 175,426.65 FY24/25 839,569.72

### **ROLLING OVER/ENCUMBERING FUNDS**

- Participating Subdivisions may roll over funds from the previous year and/or encumber funds for future eligible purchases.
- Funds must be expended or encumbered within five (5) years of receipt, or seven (7) years for capital outlays projects
- For example, funds received during 2022 must be spend or encumbered by 2027 (five (5) years) for non-capital outlay projects or 2029 (seven (7) years) for capital outlay projects.
   Funds not expended or encumbered within these timeframes must be returned to the state.

### **FUNDS RECEIVED TO DATE**

We are currently receiving allocations from the following three settlements:

### **Distributors Settlement**

 National Opioid Settlement Allocation Notice (NOAT II) PY1

### 2. Janssen Settlement

 more cities opted out of direct payments for this settlement than did for the distributors

# 3. Mallincrodt Bankruptcy proceeds

NOAT II – Planned Allocation Letter



### REALLOCATED AMOUNTS BY CITY

### **UNALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES**

Participating Subdivisions suspected of spending funds allocated from the Janssen & Distributors (J&D) Settlements on unallowable activities, whether through review of reports or information from any other sources, will be required to meet and confer with DHCS to resolve the concern. If unable to reach a resolution, DHCS may conduct an audit of the Subdivision's use of the funds and pursue legal action

CITIES/SUBDIVISIONS	SUM OF REALLOCATED AMOUNTS
Brentwood	198,940.49
Antioch	23,943.13
Clayton	16,684.63
Danville	75,991.55
El Cerrito	174,630.01
Hercules	14,600.09
Lafayette	42,525.16
Martinez	71,732.84
Oakley	75,424.28
Orinda	35,251.44
Pinole	20,687.77
Pleasant Hill	98,213.43
Richmond	224,103.59
San Ramon	163,021.18
Walnut Creek	195,977.59
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$1,431,727.18



## **About The Opioid Epidemic**

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has highlighted that the opioid epidemic has evolved through waves.

Wave 1 Rise of prescription opioid misuse in 1990s

Wave 2 Rise in heroin use in 2010s

Wave 3 A sharp increase in synthetic opioids (e.g., Fentanyl) in 2013

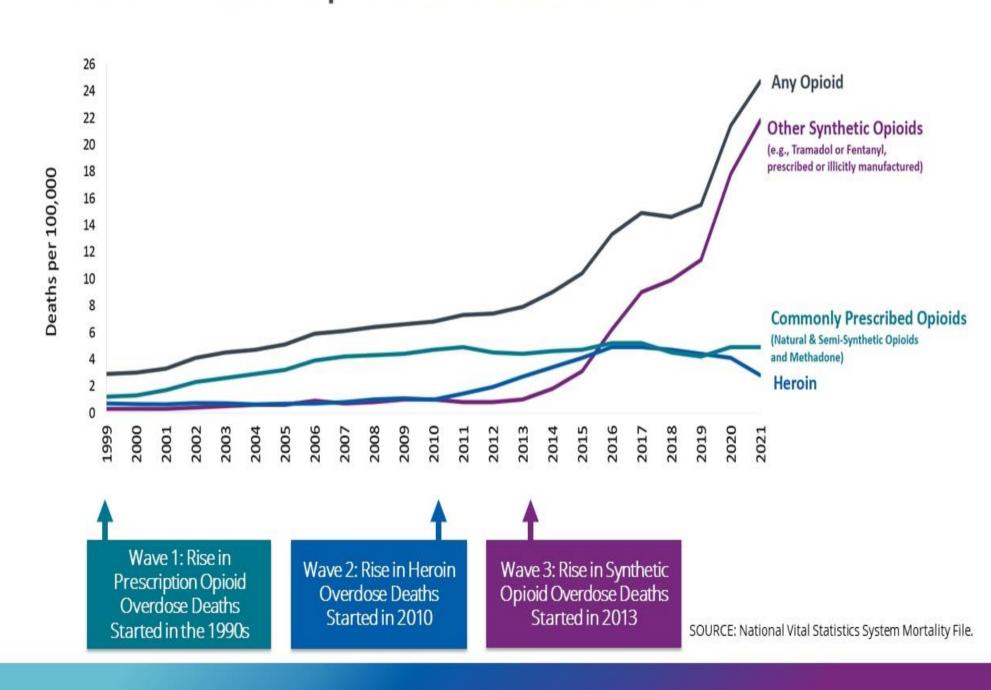
### **Opioid Impact Timeline**

1999-2021 Nearly 645,000 people died in the U.S. from overdoses involving prescription and illicit opioids

Opioid epidemic was declared a national public health emergency in the U.S. with **47,600** opioid-related overdose deaths reported that year

**2017–2022 70,237** people died due to opioid-related overdoses with fentanyl accounting for a significant portion of these deaths in the U.S.

### Three Waves of Opioid Overdose Deaths

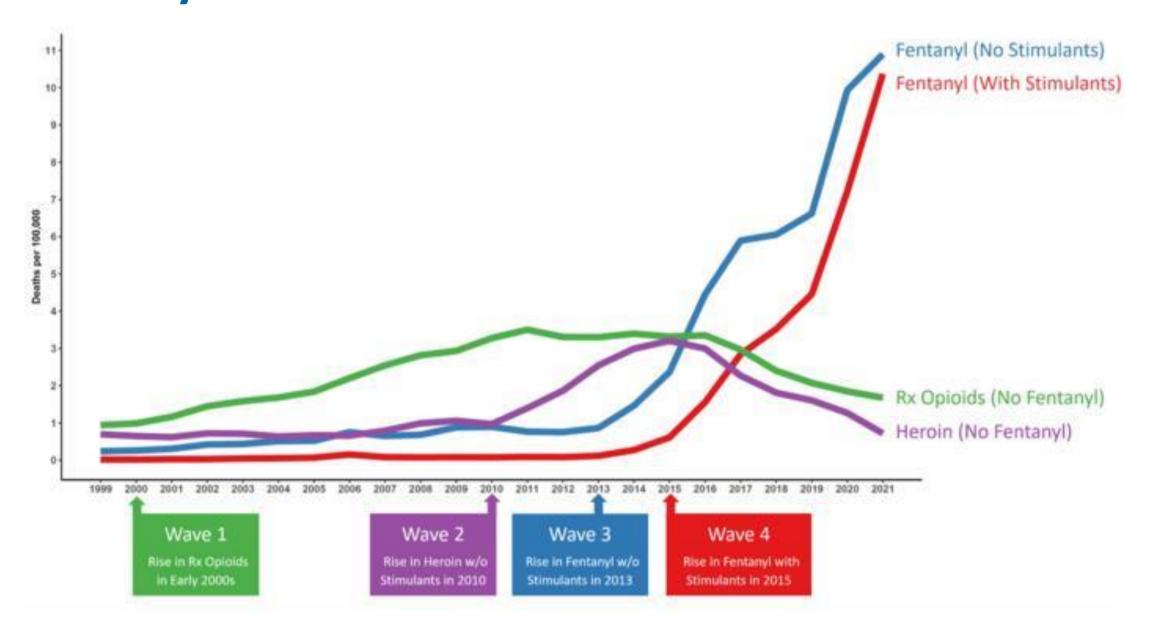


https://www.cdc.gov/overdose-prevention/media/images/sharable-graphics/overdoseprevention-3-waves-opioid-overdose-deaths-1999-2021.png?CDC\_AAref\_Val=https://www.cdc.gov/opioids/basics/epidemic.html



### The Fourth Wave

### Polysubstance Trends: The Fourth Wave



Between 2015 and 2021, most overdose deaths in the United States involved synthetic opioids like fentanyl with stimulants and/or methamphetamine marking the transition to a "fourth wave" of the opioid crisis.

California has also experienced a significant increase in poly-substance overdose deaths, particularly those involving a combination of fentanyl and psychostimulants, primarily methamphetamine

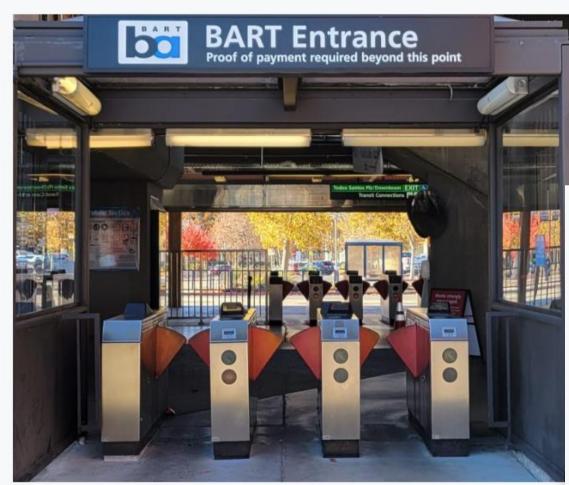


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LOCAL NEWS

### Man Found Dead Inside Bathroom At Concord BART Station

June 28, 2023 - 10:01 AM • 68 comments



A man was found dead inside the bathroom at the Concord BART station on Tuesday, accord officials.

Just after 3 p.m., Officers located an adult male who appeared to be suffering from an appar in the bathroom

The officers administered two doses of NARCAN and summoned for medical assistance.

### **Local Impact**

#### OAKLEY POLICE RESPOND TO FENTANYL OVERDOSE CALL

By Art Ray

written by CC News | November 19, 2024



Photo by Art Ray

Department responded to two people found unconscious at the Antioch fishing pier parking lot.

Contra Costa County Fire responded to the end of Bridgehead Road. Upon arrival, one victim was cold to nile the second male was saved by Oakley Police Department officers who had administered a counter acting

LOCAL NEWS

### Man Dies Of Apparent Drug Overdose On BART Train In Dublin - Authorities Administer NARCAN To **Another Drug User At Pleasant Hill BART**

July 3, 2023 - 3:00 PM • 0 comment

A person died of an apparent drug overdose on a BART train at the West Dublin Station on July 1, and another person was administered a dose of NARCAN to help reverse another drug overdose, according to BART Police.

Here are the details from BART Police:

#### NARCAN Deployment - Pleasant Hill Station

7/1/2023 1648 hours An officer administered one (1) dose of NARCAN to an unresponsive male subject who appeared to be suffering from an apparent drug overdose. The subject was transported to an area hospital for further medical treatment.



# **Geographic Impact**

### California Opioid Overdose Surveillance Dashboard 2023 Data

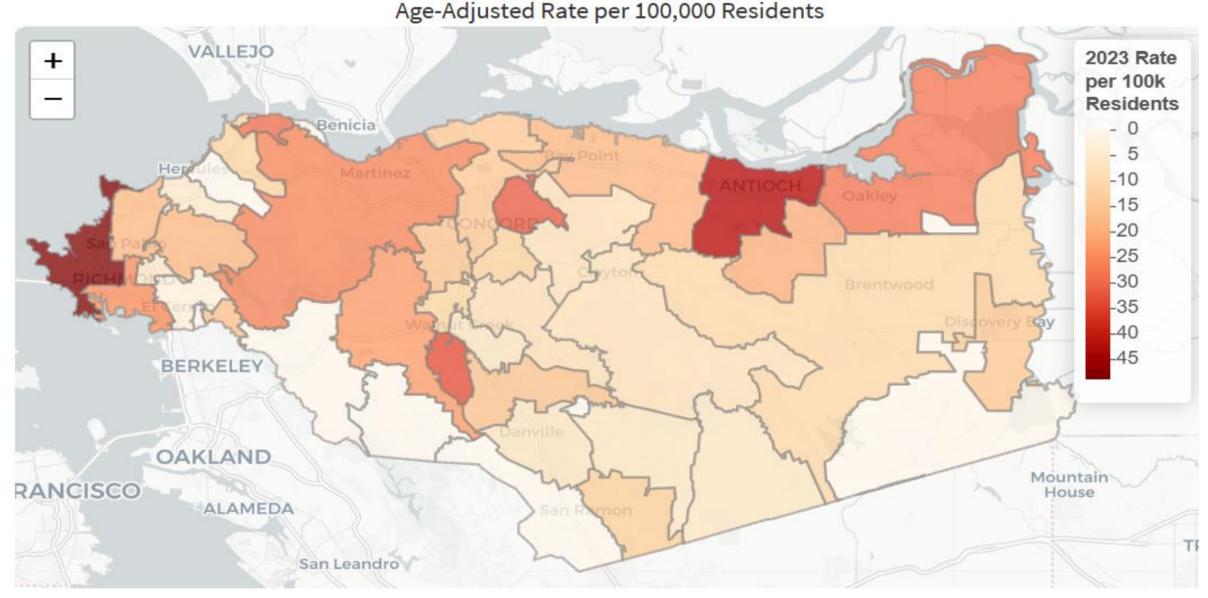
### **Opioid Overdose Risk Across County**

- Age-adjusted death rates shown by ZIP code for 2023
- Age adjustment accounts for population differences across regions
- Enables accurate comparison of overdose risks across communities

### **Key Findings**

- Richmond (rate: 48.6, per 100,000) and Antioch (rate: 42.3 per 100,000) report highest overdose death rates
- Elevated rates also observed in Pittsburg, Oakley,
   Bay Point, and parts of Concord and South County
- There were 178 overdoses in 2023



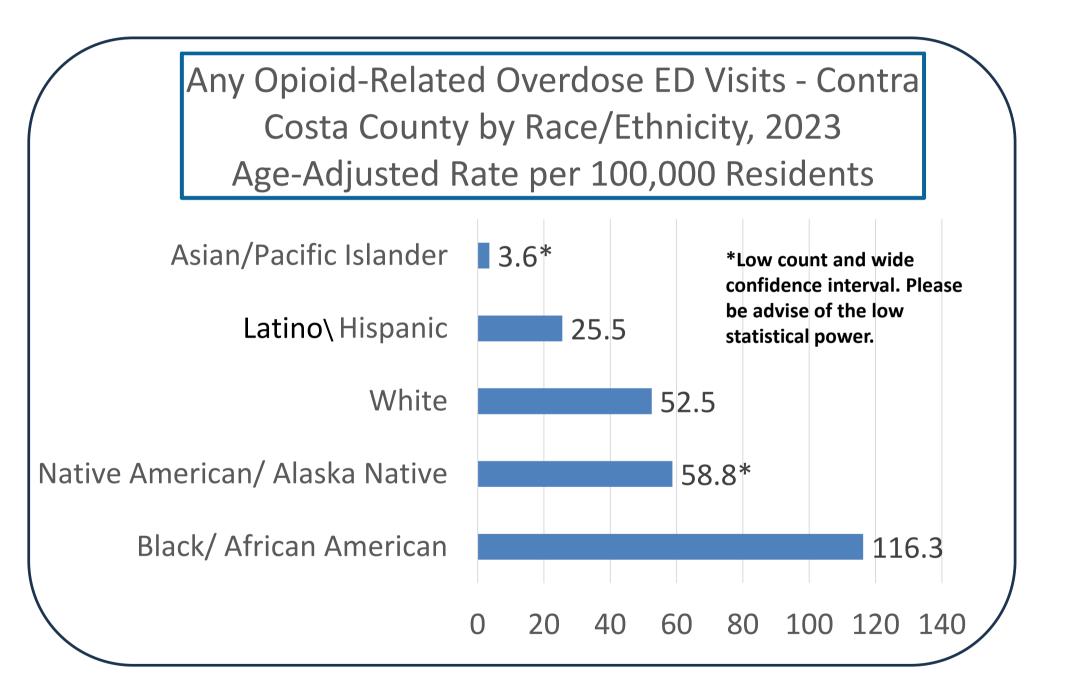


178 (16.6/100k)

Deaths Related to Any Opioid Overdose in Contra Costa County, 2023



### **Opioid Related Emergency Department Visits**



- Black/African American residents:
   highest ED visit rate (116.3 per 100,000)
- Native American/Alaska Native residents:
   58.8 per 100,000 (interpret cautiously)
- Hispanic/Latino residents: 25.5 per 100,000
- White residents: 52.5 per 100,000
- Asian/Pacific Islander residents: lowest ED visit rate (3.6 per 100,000; interpret cautiously)

407 (39/100k)

ED Visits Related to Any Opioid Overdose in Contra Costa County, 2023

127 (10.8/100k)

Hospitalizations Related to Any Opioid Overdose in Contra Costa County, 2023



# **Opioid-Related Mortality Trends**



# Leading Causes of Death in Contra Costa County

(2020 - 2022)

	Communicable Cancer Cardiovascular Other Chronic Injury Perinatal										
Ranking	Ranking 0-4 5-14 15-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 75-84 85+										
1	Neonatal conditions 58	*	Road injury 66	Drug overdose 162	Drug overdose 148	Drug overdose 145	ischemic heart disease 307	Ischemic heart disease 476	Alzheimer's disease 703	Alzheimer's disease 2,234	
2	Congenital anomalies 28	*	Drug overdose 60	Road injury 81	Alcohol-related 60	Alcohol-related 102	COVID-19 213	COVID-19 276	Ischemic heart disease 618	Stroke 1,002	
3	*	*	Homicide 50	Homicide 66	Homicide 52	COVID-19 101	Drug overdose 168	Lung Cancer 273	Stroke 499	Ischemic heart disease 835	
4	*	*	Suicide 39	Suicide 61	Road injury 50	Ischemic heart disease 94	Alcohol-related 147	Stroke 265	COVID-19 362	COVID-19 469	
5	*	.*	*_	Alcohol-related 36	Suicide 48	Breast cancer 33	Breast cancer 75	Breast cancer 125	Lung Cancer 327	Hypertensive heart disease 467	

<sup>\*</sup>numbers less than 11 not reported for patient privacy

Source for Life Expectancy and Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate by Sex: California Department of Public Health Community Burden of Disease Version P3.0, 3/1/2024

Source for Infant Mortality: California Department of Public Health, Center for Family Health, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Division, Infant Mortality Dashboard, Last Modified June 20

On August 13, 2024, Contra Costa County's Interim Health Services Dr. Ori Tzvieli, presented mortality data from the County's ATLAS dashboard, covering 2020 to 2022.

- Drug overdose emerged as the leading cause of death among residents aged 25 to 54.
- Residents aged 15 to 24, ranked as second leading cause of death.

These patterns highlight the need for interventions to address opioid misuse and prevent overdose fatalities across all age groups.



# Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) Claim Data Trends

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### **Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Penetration Rates**

CCBHS administers DMC-ODS as a Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP). The system provides full continuum of care: prevention, treatment, and MAT services. Health Services also operates Choosing Change a MAT program at Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and public health clinics

### **Measuring Access to Service**

- Penetration Rate (PR) = % of Medi-Cal eligible individuals who received SUD services
- Higher PR indicates stronger access to care
- Lower PR signals service delivery gaps or barriers to treatment

Contra Costa County's DMC-ODS Medi-Cal eligible population, the number of members served, and corresponding penetration rates by age group for Calendar Year 2022.

Age Groups	# Members Eligible	# Members Served	County PR	County Size Group PR	Statewide PR
Ages 12-17	35,236	122	0.35%	0.29%	0.25%
Ages 18-64	177,604	2,315	1.30%	1.29%	1.19%
Ages 65+	34,052	214	0.63%	0.56%	0.49%
Total	246,892	2,651	1.07%	1.04%	0.95%

### **Areas for Improvement**

Ongoing efforts to improve PR among:

- Latino/Hispanic populations
- Asian/Pacific Islander populations
- Justice-involved individuals
- Focus on reducing barriers and enhancing culturally/linguistically competent care

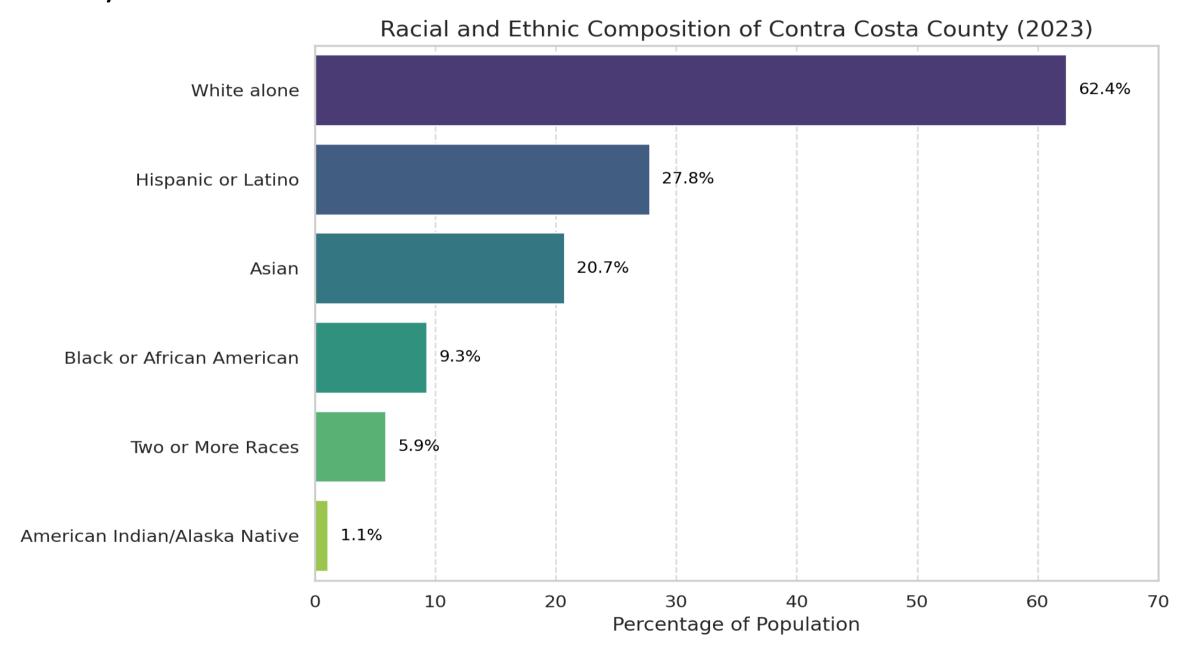
DMC-ODS Medi-Cal eligible population, members served, and penetration rates by race and ethnicity for Calendar Year 2022.

Racial/Ethnic Groups	# Members Eligible	# Members Served	County PR	Same Size Counties PR	Statewide PR
African American	31,665	457	1.44%	1.29%	1.19%
Asian/Pacific Islander	28,883	60	0.21%	0.15%	0.15%
Hispanic/Latino	76,183	396	0.52%	0.74%	0.69%
Native American	628	16	2.55%	2.34%	2.01%
Other	68,336	872	1.28%	1.34%	1.26%
White	41,200	850	2.06%	1.89%	1.67%



## **County Population Data**

According to the 2023 American Community Survey (ACS)<sup>1</sup> racial and ethnic composition of Contra Costa County is characterized by diversity:





Note: Categories are not mutually exclusive. Individuals may identify with more than one group.

The County's diverse racial and ethnic composition underscores the importance of culturally responsive, equity-focused opioid prevention and treatment strategies.



## **Preliminary Approval**

In November 2021, Contra Costa Health presented a Preliminary Plan for the use of Opioid Settlement Funds (OSF), contingent on local jurisdictions electing to defer their individual allocations to the County. Because of the urgency to respond to the local impact, in 2023 the CAO and local Cities approved the preliminary plan for the use of OSF until community input could be gathered.

### Phase 1

- Medi-Cal match towards operating cost for existing SUD providers to bolster services and capacity.
- Focus on Justice Involved Populations: SUD treatment in the jails. Addition of counselors, medication
- Add 1FTE Addiction Medicine Psychiatrist to assist with establishment of MAT expansion to include medical treatment for Alcohol disorders.
- Develop Adolescent/Youth SUD Treatment Infrastructure (Residential and Outpatient)
- Leadership and Coordination (1 FTE Coordinator) to support implementation of County's Opioid Prevention and Response Program ensure inclusiveness and diversity of community stakeholders, address needs of communities of color and disproportionally impacted

#### Phase 2

- Continue to fund MEDS Coalition and add staff as needed.
- Fund Harm Reduction strategies including working with Needle Exchange Sites
- Increase SUD street outreach capacity in Recovery Residences, homeless shelters, libraries, encampments, BART stations, etc.
- Provide comprehensive care management services to pregnant and postpartum individuals with OUD
- Social Media Campaign to increase public awareness. (Billboard, bus banners, web page design/operation)



## **Opioid Settlement Funds Requirements**

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# OPIOID COMMUNITY LISTENING

We want to hear from you about the services needed in Contra Costa County to address the opiate epidemic in our communities.

Please let your voice be heard!

EAST COUNTY LISTENING SESSION
MAY 8TH, 4:30-6:30
340 MARINA BLVD IN PITTSBURG

CENTRAL COUNTY LISTENING SESSION
MAY 9TH, 9:30-11:30
2380 BISSO LANE IN CONCORD

SOUTH COUNTY LISTENING SESSION

MAY 15TH, 5:30-7:00

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86471048719?

WEST COUNTY LISTENING SESSION
MAY 16TH, 11:30- 1:30
2200 MACDONALD AVE IN RICHMOND

You can also share your feedback online at:

https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7820053/CCBHS-Opioid-Settlement-Funds-Community-Feedback



If you would like to request interpretation or other accommodations, please email Jessica.Recinos@cchealth.org



\*Overdose prevention supplies will also be available at these events.



### **Guiding Principles for Allocating Opioid Settlement Funds<sup>1</sup>**

- ➤ Have a transparent process for determining where to expend the funds. Include people with lived experience and individuals working in prevention, treatment, harm reduction and recovery when planning.
- Seek input from a wide variety of groups during planning, including experts in SUD treatment, organizations working directly with youth and people who use drugs, opioid focused coalitions, law enforcement personnel, recovery community organizations, and social service organizations.
- Solicit and use input from the public to help raise the profile of the plans and give those community members with unique perspectives the opportunity to provide feedback.



# **Opioid Community Listening Sessions**

Informing Opioid Settlement Fund Priorities



Behavioral Health staff and the Indigo Project conducted 4 regional Community Listening Sessions. across East, Central, West and South County (in-person and virtual). KGO coverage.

- √ 397 surveys completed (81% English, 19% Spanish)
- ✓ Participants included parents, youth, justice-involved individuals, homeless and BH providers, faith-based organizations
- ✓ In person sessions with Spanish speaking parents and clients in SUD treatment and in jail
- ✓ Youth on probation and participating in SUD prevention services

### **Why Listening Session**

- ✓ Community engagement is important to equitable opioid response
- ✓ Ensure the settlement funds reflect real community needs





- > Expand youth residential treatment and MAT-friendly sober living environments
- > Support justice-involved and unhoused individuals with navigation services and care management
- > Increase culturally responsive care
- Provide overdose education and increase Naloxone access
- ➤ Launch stigma-reduction public education campaigns to reduce stigma and increase awareness of treatment options
- > Expand SUD treatment including detox services in East County, focus on co-ocurring services



# **Opioid Crisis**

A CONTRA COSTA RESPONSE



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIVISION

Opioid Settlement Funds



Contra Costa's A Call to Action uplifts the voices of people in recovery and in treatment. It includes unhoused and incarcerated clients.

Incorporates the expert advise of individuals working in prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery

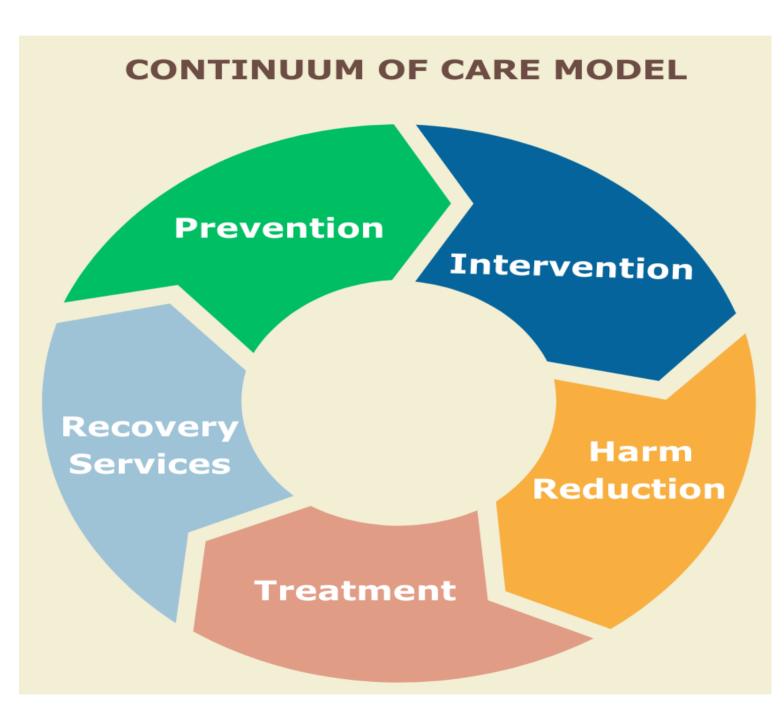
In March 2025, BHS published "A Call to Action" and posted it in our landing page



### **OSF STRATEGIES**

To address the ever changing and complex patterns and trends in substance use, Behavioral Health works in partnership with others to address the following objectives:

- Improve county, cities and agency coordination
- Monitor state and local surveillance
- **Promote** protective factors and reduce risk factors to support individual and community safety and reduce overdoses
- Increase public awareness and education about the impact of Opioids and reduce overdoses through prevention
- **Expand** naloxone access, saturation, and education. Ensure Naloxone is available at high-risk locations
- Expand SUD treatment, MAT and reduce stigma
- Support harm reduction and drug checking services
- Establish low-barrier treatment and Naloxone distribution
- Prioritize communities of color, justice involved, unhoused, youth



Visualization of the funding core strategies



# **Opioid Response Efforts**

Behavioral Health's opioid respond strategy prioritize populations most disproportionately impacted by the overdose crisis. Guided by local and State data and community input, the County has identified the following priority groups for targeted investments and tailored interventions:



#### **Racial and Ethnic Communities**

African American, Native American and Asian communities experience disproportionately high rates of opioid-related outcomes alongside low service utilization



### People Experiencing Homelessness/Unhoused Individuals

- Persistent housing instability is a significant barrier to treatment engagement, recovery, and ongoing care
- Integrated housing and treatment support services are critical



#### Youth and children

➤ Drug overdose is the second leading cause of death among residents aged 15–24 in Contra Costa County



#### **Pregnant and Postpartum Individuals**

- Require specialized, coordinated care addressing maternal health, child safety, and recovery simultaneously.
- Focus on perinatal opioid use disorder (OUD) programs and wraparound supports.



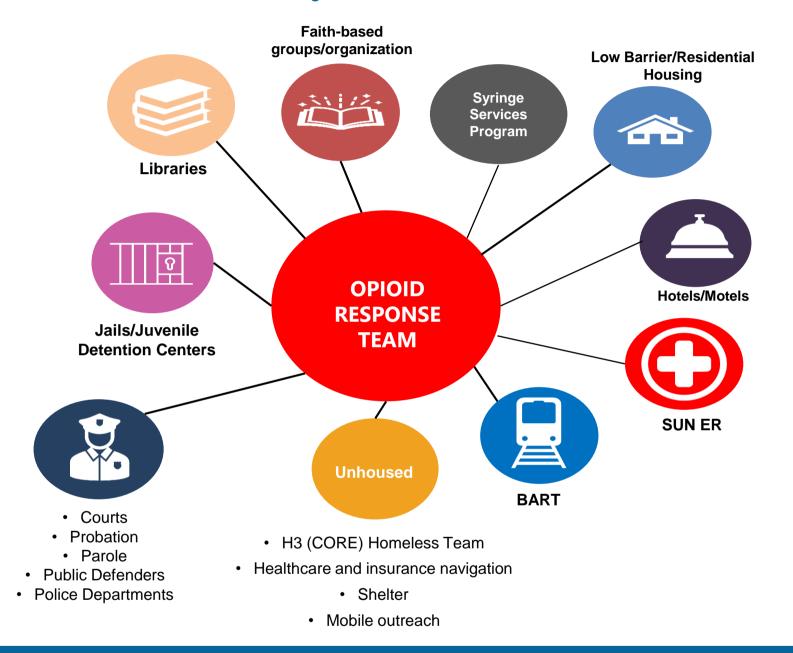
#### **Justice-Involved Individuals**

- Individuals reentering the community after incarceration face heightened risk of overdose, particularly within the first week post-release
- Emphasis on reentry programs, treatment linkages, and continuity of care



# County Response: Opioid Response Team

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#### **ORT's Approach**

ORT prioritizes a compassionate, nonjudgmental, and client-centered approach focused on:

- Harm reduction meeting clients where they are
- Client-driven engagement Respecting individual needs and choices
- Treatment on demand offering immediate connection to care
- Compassion, Respect and Hope Core values in every interaction

### **What is Opioid Response Team?**

**Opioid Response Team (ORT)** is comprised of substance use counselors dedicated to outreach and engagement with individuals in need of care and support. The team collaborates with community-based organizations, treatment and service providers and public health agencies to support people impacted by opioid use.

#### **Core Services**

- 1. Distributing naloxone and fentanyl test strips
- 2. Connecting clients to treatment and recovery services
- 3. Implementing prevention and harm reduction strategies
- 4. Housing navigation and case management for unhoused clients.
- 5. Follow-up support after treatment completion to sustain recovery.

ORT provides immediate response and connections to services at key **touchpoints or** key locations where individuals impacted by OUD or SUD can be reached. These include community events, shelters, syringe service programs, and other field locations.

**Why Touchpoints?** They create opportunities to meet people where they are:

- Connect with individuals at high risk of overdose or disengagement
- Provide immediate assistance and support
- Facilitate access to care, treatment, and recovery services



# ⊕ English (United States) ∨ Opioid Prevention Supply and Training Request Form The form is to be used for the request of Naloxone (Narcan) and/or Fentanyl Test Strips (FTS), and opioid presentations and Naloxone training in Contra Costa County \* Required Information 1. Date Request Submitted Please input date (M/d/yyyy) 2. Department or Organization (if applicable). Please put "n/a" if not requesting on behalf of a department nor organization. Enter your answer 3. Are you an eligible agency with a standing order ( ) Yes O No ( ) I do not know.

## **Expanding Access to Naloxone**

### **Services and Activities**

- Process *Opioid Prevention Supply and Training Request Forms* for community partners and organization
- Distribution of life-saving harm reduction tools: Naloxone and fentanyl test strips.
- Training, presentation and education at schools, partner agencies, shelters, churches and community-based organizations.
- Direct communication through email via <u>AODOpioidResponse@cchealth.org</u> OR phone 925-335-3330









In early April 2025, "OD Free Contra Costa" landing page was launched Drug overdoses are the leading cause of death for adults aged 25-54 in Contra Costa.



#### Overdose Prevention/Harm Reduction

An opioid overdose happens when someone takes too much of an opioid drug, like fentanyl or painkillers. Recognizing the signs of opioid overdose and acting fast can save a life.

FENTANYL TEST STRIPS	+
SYRINGE EXCHANGE	+
USING ALONE?	+
RECOGNIZE OPIOID OVERDOSE	4
PREGNANCY & OPIOID USE	+
INFO FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS	•

### Accomplishments

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Addiction and Recovery Services     DUI Programs     Quit Tobacco and Vaping     Naloxone (Narcan)	Get Care » Addiction and Recovery Services »  NALOXONE (NARCAN)					
+ Substance Use Treatment	Font Size: 🕻 🚍 💽 Share & Bookmark 🚊 Print					
Ask the Advice Nurse	The antidote to an opioid overdose					
Dental Care  How to Make an Appointment  + Healthcare Locations	Naloxone is a life-saving medication used to reverse an opioid overdose, including heroin, fentanyl and prescription opioid medications. Naloxone is most commonly used as a nasal spray (brand name "Narcan"). You don't need to be a medical professional to safely use naloxone on someone experiencing an overdose. Naloxone nasal spray can be purchased at many pharmacies over the counter.					
+ Medical Center Services + Mental Health	Naloxone is safe and easy to use and works almost immediately. It has very few negative effects, and has no effect if opioids are not in a person's system. Best of all, it can save someone's life!					
+ MyChart Patient Portal						
+ Sexual Health Services	Order Naloxone from the State of CA					
+ Vaccines + For Healthcare Providers						
+ For People Without Health Coverage	Find Naloxone Near You					
	Who should carry naloxone? +  Why carry naloxone? +					
	How to recognize an opioid overdose +					
	How to respond to an opioid overdose +					
	Supplies and Training  Contra Costa Health provides naloxone supplies and training to eligible organizations. Contact the					
	Opioid Response Team for more information.  • Phone: 925-335-3330  • Email: AODopioidresponse@cchealth.org					
	Request Naloxone Supplies/Training					
	Naloxone Resources					
	Administering Naloxone - Training Video   Spanish     Next Distro - Have Naloxone Mailed to You     Naloxone Distribution Project (DHCS)					
	From a US state public health.					



# **By the Numbers**

Please note FY 2024/2025 reflects partial year reporting (July 2024 – March 2025)

### **Opioid Prevention Efforts**

Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2025 (AODS and CCC MEDS Coalition)

Fentanyl Test Strip (FTS)

FY 23/24: **995** 

FY 24/25: **1,090** 

**Presentations & Trainings** 

FY 23/24: **81** 

FY 24/25: **37** 

Naloxone (Narcan)

FY 23/24: **4,713** 

FY 24/25: **1,346** 

### **Key Locations**

#### **Behavioral Health Services/Health Services**

**Nuevo Comienzos** 

Village Community Resources Center – Brentwood

Children & Family Services – Pleasant Hill

Don Brown Shelter – Antioch

Contra Costa Medical Reserve Corps

**Delta Landing- Pittsburg** 

Forensic Mental Health

Mountain View Shelter Inc – Martinez

### **School Districts/Colleges/Universities**

Golden Gate School – Pittsburg Village

**Tuoro University** 

Children & Family Services – Pleasant Hill

Northgate High School

School-based Health Clinics

Concord High School

Ygnacio Valley High School

Downer Elementary - San Pablo

#### **Community-Based Organizations**

Community Resources Center – Brentwood

Bay Area Rescue Mission - Richmond

Mental Health Connections – San Pablo

Parents at Helms Middle School

The Latina Center – West County

Verde Elementary Parents – Richmond

Reentry Center – Richmond















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# City of Oakley Community Awareness Forum December 18, 2024



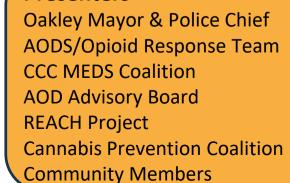
Oakley Police
Chief Paul Beard
holds a
Naloxone during
his speech at
Oakley's Opioid
Awareness
forum at Oakley
City Hall



Oakley Mayor
Shannon Shaw
sharing her story,
both professional
and personal, at
Oakley City Hall

Source: The Press, Youtube

#### Presenters



# **Opioid Community Education Events**

### City of Antioch Community Awareness Forum



Dr. Sefanit
Mekuria
presenting
on "OD
Free Contra
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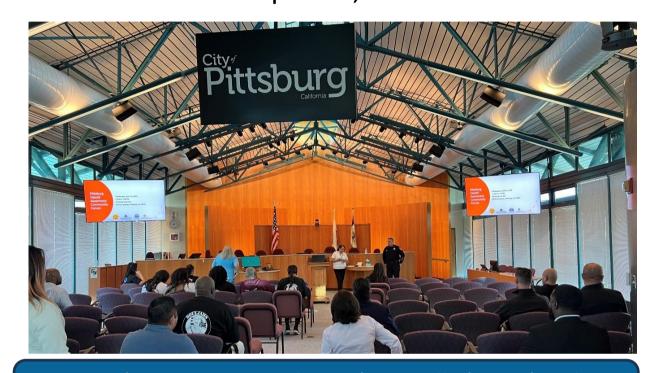
Community members sharing questions and comments

# 22 Attendees

#### **Presenters**

Antioch Police
Angelo Quinto Community Response Team
Peer Support Specialist
AODS/Opioid Response Team
CCC MEDS Coalition
REACH Project
Community & Family/Parent Members

# City of Pittsburg Community Awareness Forum April 16, 2025



Veronica (Prevention Coordinator), Mariella (MEDS) and Sergeant Law presenting to the community.





30 Attendees

#### Presenters

Pittsburg Police
Center for Human Development
Peer Support/Parent Perspective
Office of Peer and Family Empowerment
AODS/Opioid Response Team
CCC MEDS Coalition
Community & Family/Parent Members





# Community Outreach, Engagement & Education

#### **Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness Month Proclamation**



March 2024 Board of Supervisors, Martinez

#### San Ramon Art and Wind Festival



May 2024

#### **Martinez National Night Out**



Deer Valley High School Back to School Night



August 2024

### **Fentanyl Awareness Event**



November 2024 Liberty Union High School District



### **Harm Reduction Efforts**

As part of Contra Costa County's comprehensive harm reduction and overdose prevention strategy, AODS in partnership with the MEDS Coalition (Bay Area Community Resources) —has launched a Naloxone Stand Box (NSB) Initiative. This effort is funded and supported through the DHCS and

aligns with broader goals outlined in the OSF strategic framework.



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On March 28, 2025, Naloxone Stand Box at Los Medanos College, Pittsburg are placed and accessible to college students.

Confirmed Locations (8 Stand Boxes)					
Host Location	Address				
Diablo Valley College	Pleasant Hill Campus 321 Golf Club Rd Pleasant Hill CA 94523				
Diablo Valley College	San Ramon Campus 1690 Watermill Rd San Ramon CA 94582				
Los Medanos College	Pittsburg 2700 E Leland Rd Pittsburg CA 94565				
Los Medanos College	Brentwood 1351 Pioneer Square Brentwood CA 94513				
Public Defender's Office	800 Ferry Street Martinez CA 94553				
Pleasant Hill Library	2 Monticello Avenue Pleasant Hill CA 94523				
San Pablo Library	13751 San Pablo Avenue San Pablo CA 94806				
Antioch Library	501 W. 18th Street Antioch CA 94509				

In progress but not in operation (7 Stand Boxes)

<b>Host Location</b>	Address
Trinity Center	1888 Trinity Ave, Walnut Creek, CA 94596
Mental Health Connections House	San Pablo and Concord
Delta Landing Shelter	2101 Vale Road San Pablo, CA 94806
Public Defender Office	Richmond
Contra Costa County Probation Dept John A. Davis Juvenile Hall	Richmond and Antioch



# Public Health Harm Reduction Vending Machine

### **Public Health Harm Reduction Vending Machine**

CCH is coordinating the installation of four (4) naloxone vending machines across the county—targeting East, West, Central, and South Contra Costa. In collaboration with regional partners, including the HIV Education and Prevention Project of Alameda County (HEPPAC) and the Contra Costa's Public Health HIV/STI Program. These machines will serve as a low barrier, 24/7 access points for naloxone and other harm reduction supplies.

#### **Confirmed Site Locations and Awaiting Placement**

Oakley Recreation Center, Oakley Brookside Shelter, Richmond Delta Landing, Pittsburg

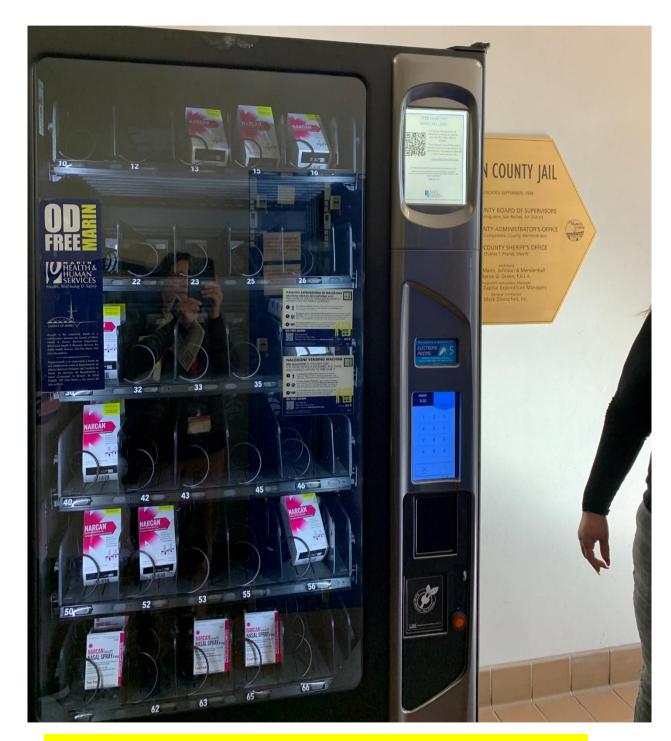
### **Pending**

Contra Costa Regional Medical Center, Martinez Mental Health Connections, Antioch Contra Costa Juvenile Hall (NSB)



#### **Delta Landing, Pittsburg**

- Health, Housing and Homeless Services (H3) Administrator
- HIV Education and Prevention Project of Alameda County (HEPPAC) Team
- AODS, Opioid Response Coordinator
- HIV/STI Prevention Manager



Naloxone Vending Machine at Marin County Jail lobby



# Collaboration with Syringe Services Program (SSP)

Expanding Harm Reduction Through Mobile Outreach

The SSP anchors Contra Costa's harm reduction strategy, reaching individuals at higher risk of overdose, infection, or disengaged from treatment.

- The SSP is coordinated and led by the Public Health HIV/STI Program.
- Services are provided by HEPPAC through onsite in person outreach by ORT staff in East and West County.

#### **Program Activities**

- Distribution of sterile supplies (syringes, alcohol wipes, wound care kits, sharps containers) to prevent infections.
- Naloxone (Narcan) distribution and overdose prevention education at all outreach locations.
- Fentanyl test strip access and client education to reduce accidental overdoses.
- Wound care triage, first-aid supplies, and referrals to medical care for injectionrelated wounds.
- HIV and Hepatitis C education with referrals to testing and care. (Note: HEPPAC provides education but not onsite testing services)
- Behavioral Health Service navigation referrals to MAT, SUD and mental health treatment.
- Harm Reduction Training twice per year



#### Times and Locations

#### Richmond

#### **Tuesday Site**

25th St and Macdonald Av Richmond, CA 94804 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

#### **Bay Point**

#### **Tuesday Site**

2586 Willow Pass Road. Bay Point, CA 94565 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Please call 510-849-7630 for site of day and times.

<u>Source: https://www.cchealth.org/health-and-safetyinformation/hiv-sti-program/syringe-exchange</u>



# Collaboration with Detention Health and Sheriff in the Jails

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People who are now, or have spent time, in jails and prisons experience disproportionately higher rates of physical and behavioral health diagnoses and are at higher risk for injury and death as a result of trauma, violence, overdose, and suicide than people who have never been incarcerated.



### Of people incarcerated in state/federal prison, nationally:

- 26.3% have high blood pressure/hypertension, compared to 18.1% of the general public
- 15% have asthma, compared to 10% of the general public
- . 65% smoke cigarettes, compared to 21% of the general public1\*
- The mortality rate two weeks post-release from prison is 12.7 times the normal rate, driven largely by overdoses<sup>2</sup>



### People with behavioral health disorders are overrepresented in the criminal justice system.

- 51% of people in prison and 71% of people in jail in the U.S. have/previously had a mental health problem
- 58% of people in state prison and 63% of people in jail in the U.S. meet the criteria for drug dependence or abuse<sup>3</sup>
- Overdose deaths are >100x more likely for justice-involved individuals 2-weeks post release than the general population<sup>4</sup>

#### Focus on California

- Over the past decade, the proportion of incarcerated individuals in California jails with an active mental health case rose by 63%<sup>5</sup>
- California's correctional health care system drug overdose rate for incarcerated individuals is
   3x the national prison rate<sup>6</sup>
- Among justice-involved individuals, 2 of 3 individuals incarcerated in California have high or moderate need for substance use disorder treatment<sup>7</sup>

Induction for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) through Detention Health

1.5FTE Embedded Substance Abuse Counselors – currently paid through a BJA grant and 1FTE Office of Ed

Screening and Linkages to SUD treatment in real time and placements in treatment post-release. Services at West County and Martinez Detention Facilities

OSF fund a portion of Sublocade, an injectable form of buprenorphine

MAT Treatment groups at MDF

Added Recovery Residences for clients on MOUD

### Healthcare Needs of California's Justice-Involved Population (DHCS)

The Bureau of Justice Statistics found through surveys that nearly two-thirds (63 percent) of people in jail meet criteria for drug dependence or abuse. Many of these individuals have OUDs and could benefit from access to MAT. National Sheriffs' Association/National Commission on Correctional Health Care: Jail-Based Medication-Assisted Treatment: Promising Practices, Guidelines, and Resources for the Field

## Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)

#### Services

- MAT can be used as a stand- alone treatment or in conjunction with outpatient and/or residential treatment
- Medications are based on client's substance use and current living situation
- For individuals with Opioid Use Disorders (OUD), a choice between Methadone and Buprenorphine
- Methadone is distributed at daily office visits until take home doses are suitable
- Buprenorphine can be prescribed as any prescription is and picked up at local pharmacies
- If Sublocade is recommended, then counselors work with the PCP
- Medication for Alcohol Use Disorders (AUD), through PCP or Recover

### **Programs**

- 3 methadone/Buprenorphine programs located in West, East and Central County
- Buprenorphine is available at Choosing Change Clinics and it can be prescribed by any PCP
- Recover via telehealth







Recovery Residences is a term generally used to describe a specific type of housing.

Also known as Sober Living Environments offer a housing alternative to individuals recovering from substance use disorders.

Recovery Residences are not licensed but they are monitored by Alcohol and Other Drugs staff.

Residents must have the ability to live independently with minimal to no support

Recovery Residences are not considered low barrier housing, clients must commit to continue outpatient treatment and become employable

A total of \$478,149.72 in OSF were allocated in FY24-25 for clients with OUD

### RECOVERY RESIDENCES



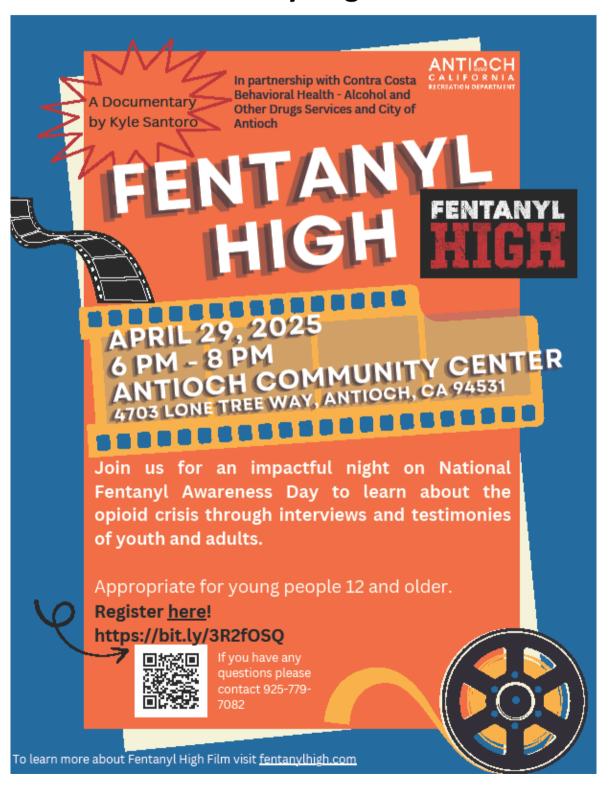


## **Upcoming Events and Activities**

#### **Harm Reduction Training**



### **Fentanyl High Film**



#### **Scotts Valley Resource Event**





## Requests for Proposals (RFPs)



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### **REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS**







This page is home to all requests for proposal (RFPs) for new Contra Costa Health (CCH) projects. Each RFP announces a new project, describes the scope and goals and solicits bids from contractors who are interested in working with CCH and meet the RFP's requirements.

Be sure to read RFPs closely before submitting them. Requirements vary from request to request.

You can also check the County's <u>Purchasing Services page</u> for opportunities.

#### **Current RFPs**



RFP NUMBER	TITLE	STARTING	CLOSING	STATUS
	Opioid Settlement Funds for SUD Primary Prevention Programs	03/13/2025	04/30/2025 5:00 PM	Open
	Opioid Settlement Funds Management Services	03/13/2025	04/18/2025 5:00 PM	Closed
	Los Medanos Health Area Funded Health Services	03/06/2025	04/18/2025 5:00 PM	Closed

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### REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS



### **Opioid Settlement Funds for SUD Primary Prevention Programs**

**Start Date:** 

03/13/2025

Close Date: 04/30/2025 5:00 PM

Contra Costa Behavioral Health (CCBH) is currently seeking proposals from providers interested in providing Substance Use Disorder Prevention services for beneficiaries in Contra Costa County. Prevention remains a key strategy in Contra Costa County's efforts to combat the opioid crisis. CCBH invites community-based organizations to submit proposals for prevention activities to be served within Contra Costa to residents who qualify for such activities. Please refer to the attachments below for additional details and requirements. Applicants are asked to submit proposals that will cover services to be rendered for FY 25-26 through FY 27-28.

The deadline to submit proposals is April 30, 2025 at 5:00 pm.

Email completed RFP packets to mliu@cchealth.org

- Opioid Settlement Funds RFP for SUD Primary Prevention Programs
- Attachment A Proposal Cover Page
- Attachment B Equity & Culturally Appropriate Services Section
- Attachment C Prevention Proposal Project Narrative
- Attachment D Prevention Proposal Project Work Plan
- Attachment E Prevention Contractor Workplan Template
- Attachment F Bidders Reference Form



### Recommendations

ACCEPT Behavioral Health's Report and Response to the Opioid Crisis in Contra Costa

ACKNOWLEDGE that the delays created in program implementation, resulted from slow release of funding, workforce shortages, inability to hire in a timely manner and delays in implementing the required community engagement process

DIRECT Behavioral Health to continue efforts intended to raise community awareness and education in the community

DIRECT Behavioral Health to distribute funds through the Request for Proposals (RFP) process and support projects and activities with equity-driven programming, and measurable community impact.

ACCEPT the Division's recommendation to distribute available OSF as follows: 50% treatment and recovery, 20% harm reduction/intervention, 30% prevention, while maintaining spending requirements of no less than 50% in High Impact Abatement Initiatives.

ACCEPT recommendation to issue additional Request for Proposals to ensure that Exhibit E activities and Core Strategies are implemented in the community

DIRECT Behavioral Health staff to continue to track data to monitor the impact of opioids in the County and continue efforts to prevent overdoses

SUPPORT, efforts intended to promote the County's OD-Free Contra Costa campaign to increase awareness and education in the community

SUPPORT continued efforts to increase SUD and MAT treatment and support SUD treatment provider initiatives intended to remove barriers to treatment

DIRECT, Behavioral Health to continue to work with local cities and subdivisions to amplify the impact of abatement efforts





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# Thankyou

Visit the OD Free Contra Costa Landing Page!

<u>https://www.cchealth.org/health-and-</u> safety-information/od-free-contra-costa

