



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: May 28th

Title of Item: Aitkin High School Opioid Funding Request

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	Action Requested: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;"><i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div><input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*</div></div>	
Submitted by: Liz Short, PHN. Opioid Coordinator		Department: Aitkin County Health and Human Services
Presenter (Name and Title):		Estimated Time Needed:
Summary of Issue: <p>Final approval of funding application on behalf of ISD#1 . The goal for this project is to implement small group and 1:1 intervention using the American Lung Association N-O-T and INDEPTH curriculum for students with substance abuse referrals in grades 7-12. The outcomes will be willingness to quit and/or cessation for students with substance abuse referrals. The timeline for utilization of this funding is throughout the 2024-2025 school year.</p> <p>This application was reviewed and unanimously approved by the Opioid Subcommittee at their meeting on April 30th, 2024</p>		
Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:		
Recommended Action/Motion: Approval.		
Financial Impact: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div><p><i>Is there a cost associated with this request?</i></p><p><i>What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$</i></p><p><i>Is this budgeted?</i></p></div><div><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div><div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</div></div><div><p><i>Please Explain:</i></p><p>Opioid Settlement Dollars will be used to support this project.</p></div></div>		

Aitkin County Health and Human Services

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2024

Opioid Settlement (OS) Funding Application

Section 1: Applicant Information

Date	4/15/2024
Organization Name	Aitkin Public School
Street Address	306 2nd St NW
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County	Aitkin

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Information provided in this application may be used for promotional materials. This includes, but is not limited to: fact sheets, Minnesota Department of Health reports, newsletters, social media posts, and media releases. Additional information may be requested by Aitkin County Public Health e.g. a release might be requested for individuals in photographs.

☒ By checking this box, you acknowledge and accept the statement above.

PROJECT NAME:	<i>Tier 2 and 3 substance abuse intervention</i>
Brief Overview ISD1s goal for this project is to implement a small group and 1:1 intervention using the American Lung Association N-O-T and INDEPTH curriculum for students with substance abuse referrals in grades 7-12. The outcomes will be willingness to quit and/or cessation for students with substance abuse referrals.	
Funding Request	<i>Up to \$24,999</i>

Section 2: Project Category

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Each project/request must fall within one or more of the following mitigation categories. Select one or more of the categories that best match your project.

Treatment

☒ Support treatment of Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and any co-occurring Substance Use Disorder or Mental Health condition through evidenced based or evidence informed programs or strategies.

Examples may include:

- Treat OUD
- Support People in Recovery
- Connect People who need help connecting to the services they need (connections to care i.e. transportation)
- Address the needs of criminal justice-involved persons
- Address the needs of the perinatal population, caregivers, and families including babies with neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome
- Medication-assisted treatment (MAT) such as methadone, buprenorphine or naloxone.

Prevention

☐ Support efforts to prevent over-prescribing and ensure appropriate prescribing and dispensing of opioids through evidenced based or evidenced informed programs. Support efforts to discourage misuse of opioids through evidence based or evidenced informed programs. Examples may include:

- Training for health care providers
- Continuing Medical Education on appropriate prescribing of opioids
- Media campaigns to prevent misuse
- Funding evidence-based prevention programs in schools
- Upstream education on the harm of other addictive and harmful substances such as alcohol, tobacco or marijuana.

Harm Reduction

☒ Harm reduction is a set of ideas and interventions that seek to reduce the harms associated with both drug use and ineffective, racialized drug policies. Harm reduction stands in stark contrast to a punitive approach to problematic drug use—it is based on acknowledging the dignity and humanity of people who use drugs and bringing them into a community of care in order to minimize negative consequences and promote optimal health and social inclusion. Examples of Harm Reduction may include:

- Support Services for children and families affected by substance use disorders.
- Overdose Prevention including distribution of Narcan, Fentanyl test strips, safe use education materials and increased access to proven effective and promising overdose prevention practices utilized in other counties and states.
- Community education to reduce the stigma around OUD

Research and Training

☐ Support opioid abatement research and training. Examples may include:

- Funding for staff training or networking programs and services to improve the capability of government, community, and not-for-profit entities to abate the opioid crisis.
- Monitoring, surveillance, data collection, and evaluation of programs and strategies described in this opioid abatement strategy list.
- Research non-opioid treatment of chronic pain.
- Research on novel harm reduction and prevention efforts such as the provision of fentanyl test strips.

Section 3: Guiding Principles

Each project/request must be guided by the following five principles set forth by the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. Please indicate which of these principals apply to your program. You do not have to meet all of the guiding principles.

☒ Spend Money to Save Lives.

- OS dollars will be used on a specific project and not to fill budget gaps or shortfalls in other programs. OS dollars are being used to expand an existing evidenced-based program or initiative.

☒ Use Evidence to Guide Spending

- There is evidence to support the expansion of an existing program. This could include an initiative or program that was not successful but there are learned outcomes that could be successful.

☒ Invest in Youth Prevention

- This program supports, children, youth, and families in effective programs.

☒ Focus on Racial Equity

- This program serves a specific demographic or underserved population in our community. Check one.

☒ Socioeconomic

☐ Veterans

☒ Other: special education subgroup

☐ Seniors

☒ Homeless

☒ LGBTQ

☒ Youth

☒ Black/Indigenous/People of Color

☒ Develop a Fair and Transparent Process for Spending Funds

- There is a process in place for clear and transparent use of OS dollars

Please Note:

It is the Applicant's sole responsibility to keep clear and detailed records that demonstrate the OS dollars requested were used for the amount and purpose(s) outlined in the initial application. Aitkin County Public Health and/or the Minnesota Attorney Generals Office, reserves the right to audit the Applicants records at any time without prior notice.

Section 4: Work plan and Goals

Give a detailed description of your project work plan and goal. List your goals related to the project. Include planned activities to meet these goals, intended timeline and responsible individual(s). Add rows as needed.

From August 26, 2024, to June 1, 2025, an AHS staff member will follow the [MnMTSS model of support to offer](#):

- Interventions for students with substance abuse referrals in our school district.

Our goals include:

- supporting children affected by substance use disorders,
- fund interventionist services to improve the capability of our district to abate the opioid crisis with intervention, and
- collect data on intervention efforts with youth.

This work includes up to 2 hours per day of interventions using the American Lung Association N-O-T and INDEPTH curriculum for students who have substance abuse referrals.		
ACTIVITIES TO ACCOMPLISH GOAL(S)	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL(S)
Provide small group and individual interventions with students who receive substance abuse referrals to increase willingness to quit and/or cessation.	September 2024-June 2025	AHS staff

Section 5:Evaluation: What would indicate to you that this project was successful? How will you measure progress or change? Describe your anticipated impact(s). Add rows as needed.		
Project Outcomes	How will you measure these changes?	What will you do with these results?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> decreased behavior referrals for repeat substance. data collection and evaluation of a school-based intervention program. 	Repeat behavior referrals for substance abuse in grades 7-12 at Aitkin High School will decrease from the 2023-24 school year to the 2024-25 school year.	ISD1 staff responsible for interventions will present these results to ISD1s school board and Aitkin County Commissioners.

PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY: Identify how you will work to sustain the project beyond the initial funding.
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An ADSIS funding application will be submitted to MDE in the spring of 2025 and if approved, will sustain this work for the school years 2025-2027.

Section 6: Budget and Funding Request Please complete the total project funding table below. <i>If line A is an overall cost please include an itemized list totaling the cost. You can also attach your own detailed budget.</i>	
Total Project Funding Table	
A) How much funding are you requesting from the Aitkin County Opioid Settlement Funds?	up to \$24,999 (\$64.19 per hour and American Lung facilitator training and curriculum)
B) Do you anticipate any additional funding for this project? <i>Include other grants, donations, fundraised amounts, budgeted dollars, etc.</i>	\$0
C) How much do you or a partner anticipate contributing in-kind to the project? <i>Include staff/volunteer time, etc.</i>	\$1500/yr staff development for training

	Office space
	Supervision of position
	Computer supplies
Total Project Cost <i>(should equal the sum of the 3 lines above)</i>	\$ 26,499

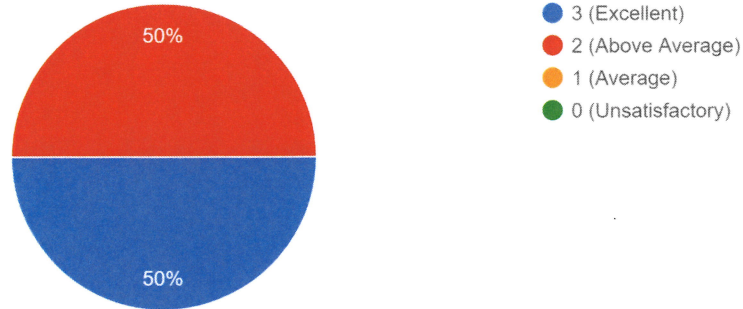
Submit your completed application via email to Elizabeth.short@co.aitkin.mn.us
Please put OS Application in the subject line.

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Scorecard April 30th 2024

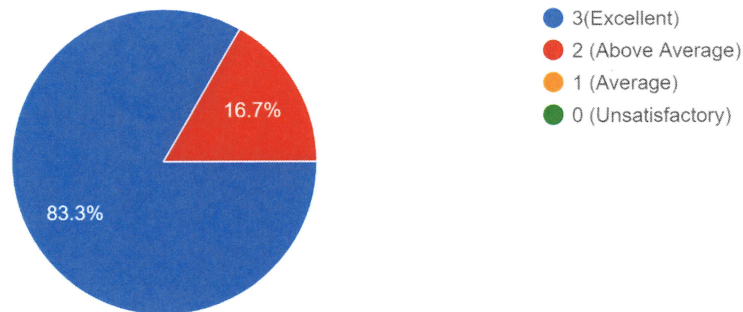
Proposal clearly address the committee's vision statement and includes one or more project categories

6 responses



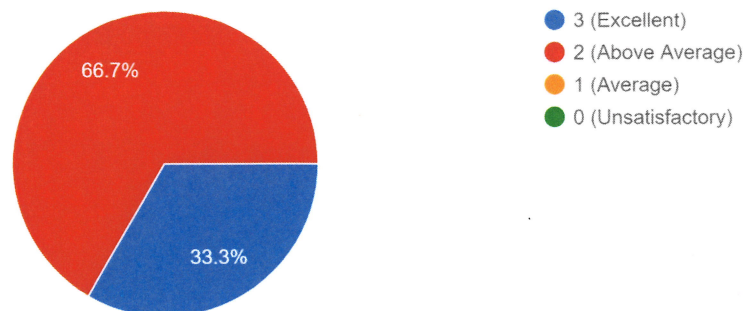
Guiding Principles

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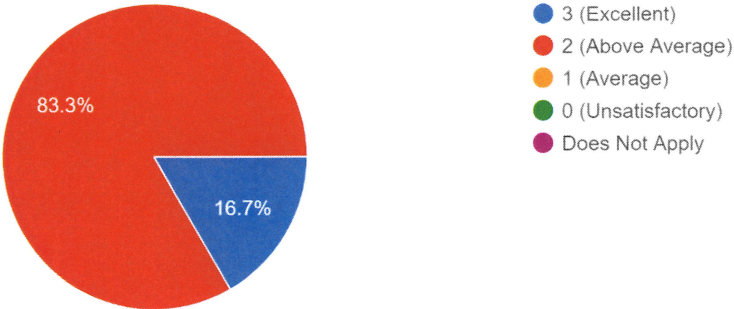


Work Plan and Goals

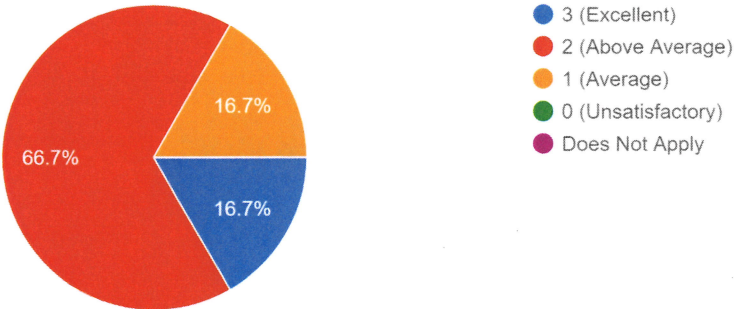
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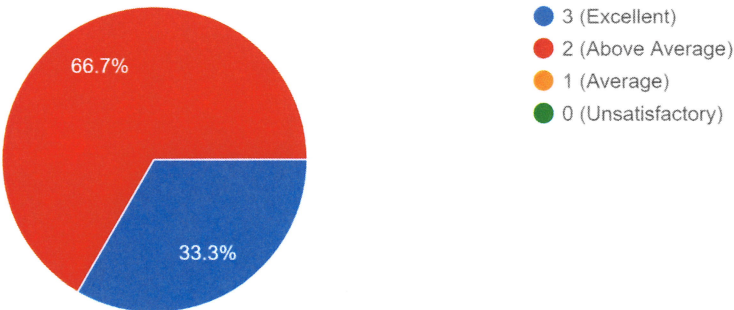
Evaluation & Outcomes if \$25,000 or more
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Project Sustainability
6 responses

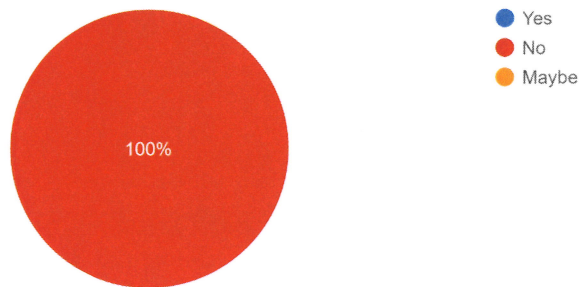


Budget and Funding
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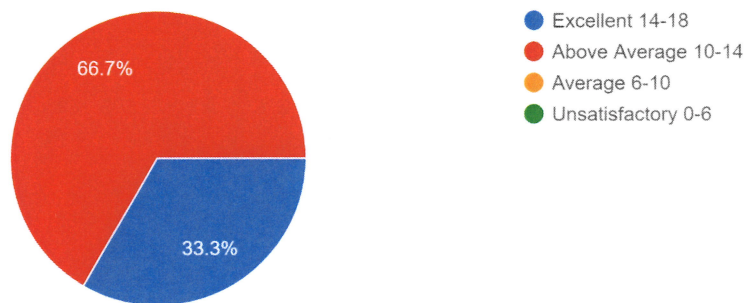
Does Applicant Have a Conflict Of Interest

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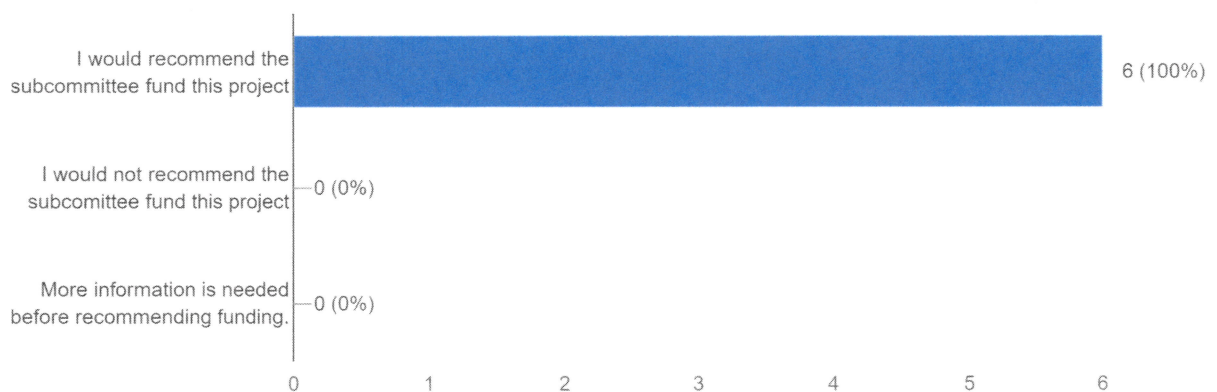
Overall Ranking

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Recommendation (use comment section to clarify your response).

6 responses



List specific requirements to award funding with any minor additions/edits.

List specifics as to why you don't recommend funding. What information or changes are needed to consider funding?

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