

Opioid Settlement Funds Status Report

Neighborhood Services and Education Committee

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Background

Overdose related deaths

- Santa Clara County 798 related deaths to opioids and 549 involved in fentanyl
- In 2023, 158 opioid deaths and 106 occurred in San José

Opioid Settlements

- States, and local entities, including the City of San José joined a national lawsuit against manufacturers, distributors, and pharmacies for contributing to the opioid epidemic.
- Since 2023, San Jose has received \$1,009,314.54
- Settlement funds remediation uses on opioid prevention and intervention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery services in the community

Remediation Strategy

City Manager's Office (CMO) is currently coordinating with Airport, Fire, Library, Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services (PRNS), Human Resources, and San José Police (SJPD)

Collaborating with County of Santa Clara, Department of Behavioral Health Services

- 287 staff trained on Naloxone

Opioid Funds to support

- Staff Training & Narcan Disbursement
- Opioid Overdose Prevention Grant Program
- Community Awareness and Education on Opioid Addiction Prevention

Planned Activities

Staff Training

- Naloxone Training

Opioid Overdose Prevention Grant Program

- PRNS awarded four (4) nonprofit partners through a newly formed grant program, Opioid Overdose Prevention Program.
 - ▶ Series of capacity-building training through a Community of Learning program that will include knowledge and skills needed to address the opioid crisis.
 - ▶ Temporary staffing to oversee the Opioid Overdose Prevention Grant Program and planning and coordinating the capacity-building training and workshops.



Cont. Remediation Strategy and Planned Activities

Community Awareness and Education on Opioid Addiction Prevention

- The City Manager's Office funds a portion of a position to coordinate and oversee the City's use of the opioid settlement funds.
- SJPD conducting education and training sessions for residents in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese, focusing on the prevention and intervention of opioid-related issues.
 - ▶ 81 presentations for a total of 3,350 participants
 - ▶ 250 Naloxone has been given to residents
- Fire Department recruiting a Graduate Intern to work for the upcoming school year 2024-2025 to create and disseminate public education materials related to the mitigation of opioid misuse, drug disposal, Good Samaritan laws, and treatment services.

Next Steps

- Program oversight shift from CMO to PRNS
- Purchase Naloxone (Narcan) and staff training
- International Overdose Awareness Day, August 29, 2024



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