



BARRY COUNTY

What Are Opioid Settlement Funds?

The opioid epidemic has claimed thousands of lives in Michigan and has sent many more to emergency departments over the years. As a result, more than \$1.8 billion in opioid settlement funds will be allocated to the state and local governments through 2040, with payments that began in January 2023. All 83 counties in the state will use these funds for opioid remediation, including programs and services that prevent misuse, treat addiction, and address the effects of the drug overdose crisis.

“Opioid Settlement Funds help turn the past into a better future through supporting recovery, prevention, and hope for our community.”

--Bill Mattson
Member, OSF Review Team

“We are truly thankful for the opportunity to give back in a way that creates lasting, positive change for both the people we serve and our community.”

--Kayla Teune, CPRC
Barry County Specialty Court



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FUNDING STRATEGIES IN ACTION



Housing Support Services

Barry County United Way has been awarded \$100,000 to support individuals with substance use disorders (SUD) who also have a housing need.



Family Support: Protective Factors

The Barry County YMCA was awarded \$9,150 to provide positive opportunities, such as childcare and camp, for children and their families affected by the opioid crisis.

Supports for Recovery

The Barry County Serenity Club was awarded \$15,000 to strengthen recovery supports and expand activities; The Barry County Treatment Court received \$12,450 to promote healthy activities and community connection for people growing in recovery.

Transportation Services

Barry County Commute received \$1,200 to support the training and certification of one individual as a Certified Recovery Coach, helping to build capacity for future recovery-focused transportation services.

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Proposal Submission
Periods

5
Funded Projects

\$15,000
Awarded in 2025

\$122,800
Awarded in 2026



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Barry County Opioid Settlement Funds

Barry County is estimated to receive \$1.499M over the next 17 years to be used to address the misuse of opioid products, treat or mitigate opioid use and related disorders, and mitigate effects of those injured as a result of the opioid epidemic.

Since the appointment in November 2022 by the Barry County Board of Commissioners, the Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force (SATF) has served as a steward of opioid settlement funds. Working alongside community partners, the SATF prioritizes meaningful, community-informed allocations guided by five principles: saving lives, using data and evidence, supporting youth prevention, addressing inequities, and ensuring transparent, inclusive decision-making.

Working Together

Barry County and the SATF will continue collaboration to identify local community needs related to the opioid crisis. Community needs assessments have been conducted recently, including the 2024 Opioid Community Assessment completed by Michigan State University's team within the MDHHS Technical Assistance Collaborative. The results of this assessment helped prepare and guide Barry County for the initial disbursements of opioid settlement funds supporting prevention, recovery, treatment, and community well-being.

Barry County and SATF members serve on the Opioid Settlement Funds Proposal Review Committee; this workgroup is instrumental in developing and improving the fund request process. The Review Committee reviews proposals, interviews applicants, and makes funding recommendations to the Barry County Board of Commissioners.

Barry County is in the process of a Recovery Readiness Assessment; initial surveys have been completed and focused interviews are planned. The findings of this community assessment will help guide the focus for future OSF proposals (RFP).

Moving Forward

Opioid Settlement Recipients will report two times per year on progress and outcomes of funded projects, to both the Barry County Board of Commissioners and the Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force (SATF).

Future Opioid Settlement Fund Requests For Proposals (RFP) will be announced publicly, and all RFP materials and information can be found on the Opioid Settlement webpage at <https://barrycountysatf.com/opioid-settlement/>

For more information, email OSFRFP2025@bccmha.org or call 269-948-8041 x209



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