

Idaho Office of Drug Policy

Grant Announcement: State Directed Opioid Settlement Funds Primary Prevention Grant



State Fiscal Year 2025

(July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025)

Proposals due: July 12, 2024

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Application Release Date:	June 25, 2024
Funding Opportunity Title:	State Opioid Settlement Fund: Prevention Education and Programming
Description:	The Governor recommended, and the Legislative Joint Finance Appropriations Committee (JFAC) appropriated, \$100,000 of one-time State Directed Opioid Settlement Funds to the Office of Drug Policy (ODP) to support opioid-specific community-based prevention models during State Fiscal Year 2025 (SFY2025). The funds, which will be allocated out across the State to eligible public and non-profit entities through a competitive grant application process, are intended to support the implementation of evidence-based prevention programs in communities to enhance protective factors and promote long-term resiliency in children and youth.
Due Date for Applications:	July 12, 2024 – 5:00 PM Local Time
Anticipated Total Funding Available:	\$100,000.00
Estimated Number of Awards:	5 - 10
Grant Recipients Notified:	August 1, 2024
Grant Award Period:	August 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
Application Submission:	Applications must be completed and submitted online: https://form.jotform.com/241685190701152
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible applicants include public and governmental entities (including tribal entities), such as counties, cities, schools and school districts, local law enforcement agencies, and other public and non-profit entities such as community-based organizations or coalitions. ODP prohibits the awarding of State Opioid Settlement Funds to any organizations other than public or non-profit entities.
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This funding may not be used for substance abuse intervention, treatment, or recovery services. Prevention service(s) provided prior July 1, 2024, or the signing of a grant award agreement, are not eligible for funding.

Applicants assume all costs associated with the preparation of this grant application.

Grant awards are contingent upon funds appropriated by the Idaho Legislature.

GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

I. FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

A. Background

Idaho Code 57-825 directs the Idaho Behavioral Health Council (IBHC) to make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee for use of the state's portion (40%)* of the opioid settlement funds by September 1st each year.

*The funds received from the Idaho opioid settlement are divided according to an intrastate allocation agreement which allots the state (40%), participating local cities and counties (40%), and public health districts (20%). For more information, please visit the [Idaho Attorney General Opioid Settlement Webpage](#).

IBHC Opioid Recommendation Process

The IBHC has no spending authority itself. Priorities from the IBHC are submitted to the Governor for incorporation into the state budget process. During this process, the Governor's Office and the Division of Financial Management work with various state agencies to include suitable recommendations in the Governor's budget.

Final appropriation authority rests with the Legislature. The Joint Financial Appropriations Committee (JFAC) and the Legislative budget staff also review each state agency's budget and determine how the IBHC recommendations are funded.

Due to the variability of funding from the opioid settlement fund and flexibility of the state budgeting process, the IBHC submits its recommendations as priority requests rather than specific budget items.

The Governor recommended, and JFAC appropriated, \$100,000 of one-time State Directed Opioid Settlement Funds to the Office of Drug Policy (ODP) to support opioid-specific community-based prevention models during State Fiscal Year 2025 (SFY2025). The funds, which will be allocated out across the State to eligible public and non-profit entities through a competitive grant application process, are intended to support the implementation of evidence-based prevention programs in communities to enhance protective factors and promote long-term resiliency in children and youth.

B. Purpose

ODP is accepting SFY2025 applications from eligible public and non-profit entities for the State Directed Opioid Settlement Funds Primary Prevention Grant to support opioid-specific community-based prevention models and the implementation of evidence-based/informed prevention programs in communities to enhance protective factors and promote long-term resiliency in children and youth.

The expected outcomes of the program are:

1. To maintain and expand a comprehensive system of opioid-specific community-based prevention models that are community driven, strategically focused, research based, and culturally relevant to Idaho's individuals, families, and communities.
2. To prevent the occurrence of, and/or mitigate the negative outcomes associated with, the misuse of prescription opioids among Idahoans.
3. To enhance protective factors and promote long-term resiliency among Idaho children and youth.

Four types of projects will be funded through this grant award:

1. Projects that clearly outline the implementation of a substance use prevention evidence-based/informed program (EBP) AND provide a clear a description for enhancing the EBP with opioid-focused education .
OR
2. Evidence-based/informed substance use prevention programs that are opioid specific. Program examples include:
 - [This is Not About Drugs](#)
 - [Botvin Life Skills Training: Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Module](#)OR
3. Evidence-based/informed substance use prevention education delivered to youth or children who have been impacted by opioids through absence of a family member due opioid-related causes such as incarceration, death, or treatment.
OR
4. Evidence-based/informed parenting skills education delivered to parents who are or have been incarnated due to opioids OR evidence-based/informed parenting skills curriculum delivered to caregivers who are raising youth impacted by opioids

Applicants may apply for funding to implement up to three programs or activities.

C. Expectations

ODP requires State Directed Opioid Settlement Funds be expended on the primary prevention of opioid misuse and abuse. Primary prevention is defined as *"programs for individuals who do not require treatment for substance abuse."* The primary prevention of substance misuse includes activities and efforts that shift focus 'upstream' and work to educate and support individuals and communities to delay the initiation of substance use and prevent both misuse and the development of substance use disorders. Please note, funding may not be used for substance misuse intervention, treatment, or recovery services.

Applicants will implement programs and activities locally that:

- Educate and counsel individuals on prescription opioids and substance misuse; AND,
- Enhance protective factors AND promote long-term resiliency

Applicants are expected to:

- **Collaborate** with existing prevention efforts involving all sectors of the community and organizations representing diverse populations which include youth, parents, seniors, veteran/military families, etc.
- **Implement Evidence-Based/Informed Programs:** All proposed strategies MUST be based on sound principles of prevention science – principles that have been demonstrated through evaluations to effectively reduce risk factors, enhance protective factors, and achieve the desired outcomes of decreased substance use and misuse. The following is a partial list of websites and resources that may be used to find more information on evidence-based/informed strategies:
 - Idaho resources:
 - [Idaho Evidence-Based Practice Selection and Planning Workbook](#)
 - [ODP Prevention Resource Library](#)
 - SAMHSA resources:
 - [Selecting Best-Fit Programs and Practices: Guidance for Substance Misuse Prevention Practitioners, SAMHSA](#)
 - [Finding Evidence Based Programs and Practices, SAMHSA](#)
 - [Evidence-Based Practices Resource Center, SAMHSA](#)
 - Additional EBP resources:
 - [Blueprints Programs for Healthy Youth Development](#)
 - [CrimeSolutions Programs and Practices, National Institute of Justice](#)
 - [Excellence in Prevention Strategy List, The Athena Forum](#)
 - [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Programs, OJJDP](#)
 - [National Mentoring Resource Center, OJJDP](#)
 - The proposed activities can target the general population and/or sub-groups. Furthermore, each proposed activity should fall under a [Prevention Strategy](#) and [IOM Category](#).
- **Participate in Data Collection and Performance Measurement:** All grantees are required to collect and report program attendance, outcomes, and any other required data, at least quarterly, so that ODP can meet its obligations under the State Opioid Settlement Funds reporting requirements.
- **Engage in Workforce Development Activities:** To increase qualified providers of substance misuse prevention services, at least one staff member in each agency or organization receiving State Opioid Settlement Funds from ODP to deliver substance misuse prevention programs/services must actively hold a Provisional Prevention Specialist (PPS) or be willing to obtain a PPS certification within 120 days of receiving a grant award. Additional information about these Certifications can be found [here](#). Please note – lack of a PPS certification does not disqualify an applicant from being eligible to receive grant funds.
- **Attend Grantee Meetings:** Grantees must be available for a minimum of one site visit by ODP per year. In addition, grantees are responsible for participating and/or reviewing all required grantee trainings and training materials

II. GRANT APPLICATION & AWARD TIMELINE

State Opioid Settlement Funds are allocated across Idaho as one-time grant awards via a competitive grant application process.

SFY2025 State Opioid Settlement Funds Application & Award Timeline:

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>
1. Application Released.....	June 25, 2024
2. Application Deadline.....	July 12, 2024
3. Application Review Period.....	July 12 – July 26, 2024
4. Grant Recipients Notified.....	August 1, 2024
5. Grant Agreements Finalized.....	August 7, 2024
6. Grant Award Period.....	August 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

III. ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

A. Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include any public or governmental entities (including tribal entities), such as counties, cities, schools and school districts, local law enforcement agencies, other public entities, and non-profits such as community-based organizations or coalitions.

State regulations prohibit the awarding of State Opioid Settlement Funds to any entity other than a public or non-profit entity.

B. Cost Sharing and Match Requirements

Cost sharing/match is not required in this program.

IV. APPLICATION & SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Applications must be completed and submitted online. The Grant Application Portal is hosted by JotForm and is accessible available via any internet connected device. The recommended browser is Google Chrome, but it will work with any modern web browser (i.e., Internet Explorer v10+, FireFox, Safari).

The online application will not go live and become available until 12:00 PM Local Time on June 25th.

The Application Portal Link is: <https://form.jotform.com/241685190701152>

The FY25 State Opioid Settlement Funds Application Includes:

- Organization Information
- Primary Contact Information
- Fiscal Agent Information
- Problem Identification
- Proposed Program/Strategy
- Budget

- Assurances & Conditions Agreement

Scoring of the above categories will follow the rubric below:

Project Narrative	Criteria for Strong Ratings
Problem Identification (10 pts)	The major factor/issues that generated the idea for this application are clearly outlined: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies the specific opioid and substance misuse problem(s) in your community that will be addressed by the program/activity • Identifies the root cause(s) that you believe contribute to the problem(s), • Provides supporting data that demonstrates the problem(s). Applicants are encouraged to use local, county, or regional data.
Proposed Program (10 pts)	Planning and implementation is clearly detailed and aligns with the types of projects described in Part 1, Section B of this announcement.
Budget (10 pts)	Budget is reasonable/appropriate and logically connects to the activities of the proposed project.
Total Points = 30	

Rating Scale

Rating	Criteria	Points
Strong	Meets most or all of the criteria	10 points
Average	Meets some of the criteria	5 points
Weak	Meets none or few of the criteria	0 points

Applications are due by 5:00 PM Local Time on July 12, 2024. At which point the JotForm Application Portal will close.

Completed applications should also be saved and printed for your records.

V. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

A. Review and Selection Process

Competitive awards made to eligible entities will be based on the quality of the proposal to address statewide and/or regional needs as well as available funding.

A review committee, inclusive of professionals familiar with prescription opioid misuse issues, will review and score each application. Applications will be evaluated and scored based on the application components described in Part IV of this document. Maximum points for each section are also listed in

Part IV of this application. Maximum points are given for an outstanding response. Points are deducted for non-response, missing information, or an inadequate response.

All applicants, whether awarded or not awarded funds, will be notified of their application score. A summary of Review Committee evaluation notes and feedback can be made available upon request.

VI. Award Notices

A. Notice of Awards and Grant Agreements

Successful applicants will receive a Notice of Award (NOA) letter, signed by via e-mail on or before August 1, 2024. Once accepted, signed, and returned, the Grant Agreement is the sole obligating document that allows grantees to receive funding for the implementation of grant projects.

B. Award Information

If awarded funding the full award details, including detailed budget and funding allocation breakdown and service schedule, will be provided in the NOA and Grant Agreement.

The SFY2025 award period is August 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025. The State Opioid Settlement Funds are provided to grantees on a reimbursement basis. Prevention service(s) provided before August 1, 2024 and/or prior to the signing of a grant award document will not be eligible for reimbursement.

Additional information and training will be provided to grant recipients throughout SFY2025



Please contact Destinie Triplett, ODP with any questions.

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