

Cayuga County Opioid Settlement Funds – Request for Proposals

The Attorney General negotiated opioid settlement payments for New York State and its counties. These direct payments to the counties consist of both one-time payments and recurring payments for a number of years. The Cayuga County Legislature directed all payments made to the county be used for approved uses only per settlement stipulation. The Legislature also directed the Community Services Board (CSB) to develop recommendations for the opioid and substance use projects to be funded with opioid settlement funds.

The Cayuga County CSB has met to develop a Request for Proposals following presentations which identified gaps and needs by community organizations working with individuals with Substance Use Disorder (SUD). On October 25th, members of the Alcohol and Substance Use Committee met for a special meeting to hear presentations on substance use gaps and needs for the purposes of providing the CSB with relevant data. As a result, gaps and needs were identified which will be addressed through proposals submitted. **The proposal for funding MUST address at least ONE of the following needs/gaps:**

1. Collaborative coordinated SUD response (fatality reviews, overdose task force, coordination of action plan for youth prevention, real-time countywide data surveillance)
2. Collaborative grant writing to address county needs
3. Rural outreach
4. Harm reduction (Narcan, Fentanyl strips, etc.)
5. Youth prevention (evidence-based practices, parent collaboration, school buy-in, youth peers)
6. Prevention (education and awareness efforts)
7. Expanding peer capacity (recruitment, training, supervision, sustainability, youth peers, family support peer model, peer learning collaborative)
8. Trauma-informed practices and understanding of vicarious trauma
9. Recovery services/transitional housing (individuals in treatment, leaving treatment, hospital discharges, and at re-entry from incarceration)
10. Treatment for underserved populations (pregnant individuals with SUD, people of color, LGBTQA++)
11. Reduction of barriers (timely access to MOUD, childcare, etc.)
12. Coordination of treatment in jail
13. Site for individuals in active addiction to gain resources including obtaining harm reduction measures

The proposed projects MUST also be an approved use from the guide entitled “Schedule C - Approved Uses” AND align with the Local Services Plan.

This RFP is for one-time funding requests of up to \$75,000 for projects which clearly address the needs/gaps and the approved uses as well as the Local Services Plan. Both documents, the approved uses guide and the local services plan, are accessible on the county website at www.cayugacounty.us/settlement for use in preparing the proposal. The goal of this process is to invest this funding back into our community to best serve individuals coping with SUD.

The following page provides the information to include in your proposal. Please include all the requested information clearly and address all the required materials when submitting your proposals. The submitted proposal is not to exceed 5 pages, not including an attached budget for your project.

Timeline: The deadline for proposal submissions is **December 9, 2022 by 4:00 pm**. Awards will be announced after careful review and approval by members of the CSB. Upon announcement of funding awards, funded projects are expected to be ready for implementation.

Please send all submissions to Danielle Blumrick via email at dnblumrick@cayugacounty.us.

Required information to include in your proposal submission:

- Organization name and overview
 - Including any previous experiences in providing similar programs
- Agency contact
 - Name, address, phone number, email address
- Need/gap being met
 - Include data that reflects need/gap
- Brief description of proposed project:
 - Target population being served
 - Purpose of the program, types of services to be provided, and how services will be delivered
 - Identify potential barriers and how your program will work to mitigate them
 - Describe plans for inter-organization collaboration used for the operation of this program
 - Program staffing and qualifications
 - Implementation timeline
- How or where does the project fit within the approved uses?
 - See “Schedule C - Approved Uses”
- How does the project fit into the Local Services Plan?
 - See “2023 Local Services Plan- Cayuga”
- Amount of funding request
 - One-time funding up to \$75,000
- Proposed budget for project
 - Please attach to your proposal
- What other funding has your agency applied for and/or is currently planned to deliver this program?
 - Include any “in kind”
- Sustainability plan for the program after funding ends
- Proposed outcomes and plan to measure
 - Quarterly reporting of outcomes/data to the CSB will be required if funded