SC Opioid Recovery Fund Board - Fund Request Form

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SCORF Fund Request Form - Application Information

The South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund Board (SCORF) is now accepting applications for SC Opioid Recovery Funds. The first deadline to submit applications for funds from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision funds is DECEMBER 2, 2022. The first deadline to submit applications for funds from the Discretionary Subfund is JANUARY 15, 2023.

Applicants must complete this online form and submit the following documents, attached as a single PDF file:

- Technical Proposal
- Budget
- Certification of Content

Text must be legible. Pages must be typed in black, single-spaced, and using a font of Times New Roman 12, with all margins (left, right, top, bottom) at least one inch each. Please include the name of the Entity/Requestor and a page number at the bottom of each page.

Applicants may use Times New Roman 10 for charts and tables only, if applicable.

If you need help, please send an email to contact@scorf.sc.gov

Please provide a response to each field below.

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: Greenville County Sheriffs Office

Mailing Address

Address Line 1: 4 McGee Street

Address Line 2:

City: Greenville

State: South Carolina

Zip: 29601

Entity Type:
Medical Treatment Provider
Mental Health Treatment Provider
Educational Provider
State Agency
X County or Political Subdivision
Nonprofit Organization
Other
Is the requesting Entity a South Carolina Bellwether Plaintiff? :
Yes
X No
Was the requesting Entity a litigating subdivision?:
Yes
X No
financial, or other relationship with any Member of the SC Opioid Recovery Fund Board that may reasonably be viewed as a conflict of interest for that Member?: Yes X No
Application Point of Contact
Contact Name: Walter Bowers
Title: Investigator
Phone Number: (864) 666-8705
Email: wbowers@greenvillecounty.org
Funding Request Award Amount Requested: \$2094326
From the list of <u>Approved Abatement Strategies</u> , please list the strategy, number or letter/number combination of the strategy your proposal aligns with.
Indicate the related Approved Abatement Strategy and Number below:: Other Strategies: J. Leadership, Planning, and Coordination
Indicate whether this request is for funds from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Fund (GPS for/on behalf of participating political subdivisions only) or Discretionary Subfund (DSF)? :

X GPS

DSF

Technical Proposal

To be approved for funding, all requests must upload a technical proposal.

For more information about what must be included in your Technical Proposal for both Guaranteed Political Subdivisions and Discretionary Subfunds, please visit the <u>SCORF</u> Website Technical Proposal Information Site.

Upload Technical Proposal: GCSO Technical Proposal.pdf

Certification of Contents

The information provided in this application for SC Opioid Recovery Funds is true, complete and accurate and all funds requested will only be used for approved purposes. In the event an applicant entity/organization is approved to receive funds from the SC Opioid Recovery Fund, the undersigned (authorized official signing for the applicant entity/organization) certifies that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject him or her to criminal, civil or administrative penalties.

Electronic Signature: Walter Bowers

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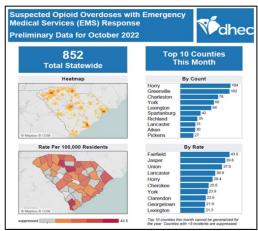
Greenville County Sheriff's Office is submitting a proposal for consideration for the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Fund under the category of "Approved Uses: Other Uses - J. Leadership, Planning and Coordination."

Greenville County Opioid Reduction Program (ORP) is designed with the goal of preventing opioid overdoses by investing in the infrastructure and staffing to support collaborative, cross-system coordination through strategies that identify the root causes and sources of overdoses, identifying populations at risk of overdose, identifying harm-reduction efforts and providing training and technical assistance at the community and regional level for opioid abatement through community processes. ORP takes an innovative approach preventing overdoses by creating a multi-faceted information-sharing network among key stakeholders throughout Greenville County that are directly tasked with the intervention and prevention efforts.

STATEMENT OF NEED

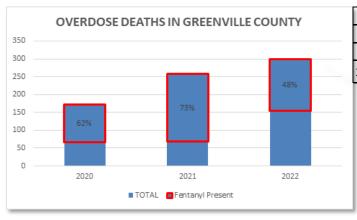
Greenville County has continued to see a steady increase each year in Fentanyl/Opioid related overdoses as well as those linked to Xylazine and other adulterants. According to South Carolina DHEC, Greenville County consistently ranks in the top ten counties for suspected overdose, most recently ranking at #2 per October 2022 data.

Greenville County is also designated as a High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA). HIDTA counties must undergo a qualification process to acquire a HIDTA designation, one of which is the



affirmation that the county is a significant center for illegal drug production, manufacturing, importation, &/or distribution. Greenville continues to be in the top 10 counties by number of suspected opioid overdoses.

At the time of this application, the Greenville Coroner's Office reported 305 suspected overdose deaths with a confirmed number of 215 overdose deaths from January 1, 2022, to date.



	TOTAL OD DEATHS	FENTANYL PRESENT	
2020	173	107	
2021	258	189	
2022 YTD	>300 (projected)	145 (YTD)	

BACKGROUND / EXISTING EFFORTS

The Greenville County Sheriff's Office Intelligence Unit was formed in June of 2020 to contribute to significant investigations where a more in-depth level of evidence connection and real time evidence analysis was vital for successful investigative outcomes. The Intelligence Unit is equipped to collect and analyze lawfully obtained evidence and cross-reference the data against multiple networks.

This synthesized data provides a unique insight into networks of persons who are distributing opioid based drugs, such as fentanyl, throughout the community. This process helps identify the drug dealers for law enforcement but also identifies the people closest to the dealers and narcotics users to include vulnerable population of adults, children and elderly who are at a significant risk of encountering a deadly opioid substance. The Intelligence Unit already captures this data but has yet to establish proper channels for ensuring distribution to the appropriate stakeholders.

ORP provides law enforcement and partnering entities with the opportunity and guidance to proactively intervene in a person's life before an overdose occurs, and especially before death occurs. Our goal is to reach out to this population, with non-punitive consequences, offering specialized services that are available within our community through existing partnerships and allocating resources to at-risk families before the fatality or other adverse event occurs.

The Greenville County Overdose Team was formed in September of 2021 with the purpose of investigating nonfatal and fatal drug overdoses. The team consists of two law enforcement drug investigators supported by the Greenville County Sheriff's Office Intelligence Unit. The Overdose Team coordinates with investigators from units within the Greenville County Sheriff's Office and five other law enforcement municipalities within Greenville County (Travelers Rest, Greer, Greenville City, Mauldin, Simpsonville, and Fountain Inn Police Departments) in response to death investigations that are initially believed to be related to drug overdoses. The Overdose Team quickly works to identify the source/supplier of the illegal drugs or legal substances being used illicitly and initiates an investigation of the individual(s). The objective of the investigation is to prevent the individual(s) from distributing further drugs throughout the community. The Intelligence Team collects and processes information that enhances and expedites the Overdose Team's ability to identify and eradicate the source that contributes to a specific death and in many cases, exposes links to other fatal and non-fatal overdoses.

The Overdose Team's efforts have facilitated more than 30 arrests of individuals identified as having supplied drugs that resulted in an overdose death; eight of the arrests have been or are in review of being adopted federally. The ever-growing demand for this team's technical expertise, material support, and investigative knowledge has resulted in the need for higher quality equipment and additional personnel. At present, the Overdose Team, in combination with Greenville County Intel Unit, cannot sufficiently handle and address all investigative needs and

requests in Greenville County and surrounding agencies. The current staff are stretched and will not be able to keep up with the current pace and increasing demand within Greenville County as well as continue to provide assistance to the other law enforcement municipalities requesting assistance and are concerned overdoses will continue to increase without additional staff and infrastructure.

The Overdose Team also participates in next of kin interviews with those close to the decedent to learn about the decedent's life history in order to obtain a better understanding of the chronology of events leading up to the death. These interviews seek to learn if there were any other co-occurring disorders or health conditions that may have led to the overdose or possibly missed opportunities for prevention, intervention and treatment. The Overdose Team connects family/friends with appropriate wrap around services and support with partnering agencies such as FAVOR Upstate, Phoenix Center, POWER Initiative, faith-based organizations and other community agencies that can address other identified needs such as housing, employment, transportation, medical and behavioral health services, and/or bereavement support.

Greenville County has many existing community coalitions and initiatives that the Overdose Team, Crime Prevention/Outreach Unit, and Intelligence Unit regularly participate in to better understand the many facets contributing to the Opioid Epidemic. Greenville County collaborates on initiatives and efforts to better understand addiction, prevention, treatment and recovery, naloxone distribution, harm reduction and mental health disorders. A few of these initiatives include the Phoenix Center ECHO (Empowering Communities for Healthy Outcomes), ECHO Retail Subcommittee, Phoenix Center Focus Groups, Greenville County Overdose Fatality Review, SC Opioid Emergency Response Task Force (OERT) and Child Fatality Rapid Reviews and Fatality Reviews (to include Greenville County and other counties).

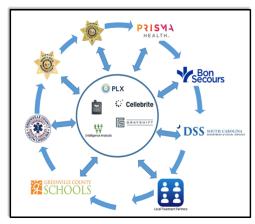
Due to the specialized investigative skillset and expertise of The Overdose and Intelligence Teams, they are frequently asked to assist and support other law enforcement municipalities within Greenville County as well as across the state. Both teams have presented at community forums regarding substance use and opioids, provided drug endangered children training to healthcare and other professionals to recognize and identify drug environments or the children who have been impacted by parental/caregiver substance use, provided trainings on the recognition of drugs, drug trends and paraphernalia and signs of an overdose, safety precautions and appropriate practices for first responders and law enforcement when dealing with Fentanyl and other drugs, as well as how to conduct drug related multidisciplinary investigations related to fatal and nonfatal overdoses and violent crimes related to drugs. These trainings have occurred throughout Greenville County and the state and have included participants in law enforcement, education, healthcare, allied health, social services, home visitors, behavioral health sector, first responders, counselors, guardian ad litems, foster care parents, victim advocates, the community and others.

The Intelligence Unit coordinates and supports other state, local and federal law enforcement agencies in support of investigations related to drug overdose deaths and provides material support (cellphone data downloads, investigative software), investigative expertise, technical assistance, training, and manpower. In the past 12 months, the Intelligence Unit has assisted with child fatality investigations in which drugs were a contributing factor and where shared information would have been beneficial between various service providers had the shared information exchange happened earlier. The Intelligence Unit consistently sees a failure of interagency communication where resources could have been provided, or information was not exchanged between the agencies. That finding is almost always noted as a trend in cases that have resulted in death or significant life changing impairment or injury, whereas in hindsight one or more agencies had information that was not channeled to a resource provider who could have intervened before the devastating outcome occurred. The recommendation after case reviews consistently emphasizes the urgent need for a system where stakeholders can convene to exchange cross system information proactively, which is one of the strategies that ORP plans to implement through weekly Rapid Response Reviews.

CURRENT INFORMATION SHARING

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PROPOSED INFORMATION SHARING



Rapid Response Reviews will work the same as what occurs in fatality reviews with the major difference is the rapid response reviews would occur in a more frequent manner with real-time information and most importantly before the death occurs. The reviews will serve as an opportunity to ensure that all stakeholders are involved in the most recent incidents of possible overdoses so that immediate interventions and treatment recommendations can be executed for not only the specific individual but also their family units to likely include vulnerable adults or minor children.

The reviews would be led by the Intelligence Unit who will provide a timely report identifying individuals at-risk. The meetings will be focused on the most up-to-date information focused on at-risk individuals based on a culmination of incoming data from all stakeholders (other local, state and federal law enforcement, EMS, Hospital Staff, DSS, Probation and Parole, OD Team Investigators, Analysts and SUD treatment providers). The intended result will be to strengthen communication amongst participating agencies, share information that will positively impact the

health and wellbeing of those identified as being at risk, ensure the proper referrals to resources are made as well as decreasing fragmented information and ensure a streamlined system of communication that allows for a coordinated response that enables each agency to work together more efficiently.

SAMPLE: POST RAPID REVIEW ACTION PLAN

Individual identified as high risk for overdose due to current substance use and recent non-fatal overdose and children in home.

Community Paramedic and Victim Advocate / Outreach Deputy: would make contact with the individual and ask what are the immediate needs the individual feels need to be met and then conduct a basic assessment with the individual for immediate behavioral health and medical needs, social determinants of health and provide the individual and connect the individual with community partners who provide the needed resources and assist in making appointments at Phoenix Center, Upstate Favor to be connected with Peer Support Specialist and any other medical/mental health appointments that may need to be scheduled. Arrange for transportation as needed. Victim advocate to follow up with individual and providers for status of engagement into the services as well as if any additional barriers or challenges were identified and how to address them.

DSS: Due to children identified in the household provide assessment to ensure needs of children are met and any identified areas needing support. Referred to Community Based Services provider who can provide home visits and parenting education as identified. Can assist with monitoring of additional supports needed as ongoing process. connect the family with Economic Services Division to assist with housing, food, transportation needs. Engage individual with Economic Services division that can assist with housing, employment and food.

School System: Handle with Care notification submitted and school can be aware to assess and monitor for any signs of trauma or social/emotional or academic supports needed and assist with onsite services to the student as well as additional resources and family supports available through the school district.

Rapid Response Team Follow Up: provide follow-up at next meeting on identified individual and family and referrals. Victim advocate to follow up on if individuals attended appointments, engaged in treatment services, or other additional needs were identified. Rapid Response Team will review each action plan to identify if intended process of helping individual is working effectively and efficiently and if any additional barriers or challenges, how to address them and any additional other opportunities or services for individual and future clients.

STRATEGY & IMPLEMENTATION

To further abate the opioid crisis in Greenville County and enhance the current coordination of resources effectively, and efficiently, the Greenville County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) is proposing directing Guaranteed Political Subdivision Funding for Greenville County to expand our current opioid abatement efforts and develop a more strategic partnership with community providers who play an intricate role in the personal lives of those most at risk to the harmful outcomes of opioid misuse.

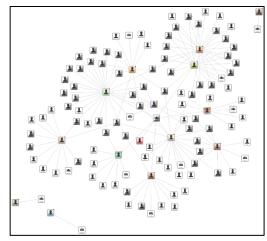
Currently the Greenville County Sheriff's Office utilizes specific tools, and technologies operated by skilled personnel to protect and serve our community by aiding in investigations of the most significant of incidents which occur in and around Greenville County. The tools, technologies, and personnel critical to achieving our goals are further described below.

PLX by Penlink is a software that collects, normalizes, and analyzes complex data quickly and efficiently. The data stored and utilized within PLX is criminal evidence (cell phone records, social media accounts, email accounts, and precision location data) lawfully obtained during all phases of a criminal investigation. Much like DNA and fingerprint collection databases, this system houses information that helps past, present, and future investigations.

PLX has been utilized by the GCSO for more than ten years and is currently housed and maintained with four active licenses with the Intelligence Unit. Graykey and Cellebrite are two extraction software systems used to extract and analyze data primarily from electronic devices such as cell phones and computers. From January through November of 2022, the Intelligence Unit extracted information using both of these systems from more than 550 devices, over 400 of which were related to narcotic or overdose investigations.

Over 400 of the current Penlink cases are specifically drug overdose and/or narcotics related. Below you can see a snapshot of some of the most recent fatal drug overdose investigations in a graphical chart.

Utilizing electronic evidence in PLX, investigators and analysts are able to quickly identify important connections and investigative leads within minutes of importing the data. This multi-faceted identification process is used to intercept sources of deadly drugs and to find those most vulnerable of overdose in Greenville County. Through ORP,



Link chart visualization created by Penlink of recent overdose victims and connections specific to Greenville County.

of deadly drugs and allow for intervention and life-saving support to those at risk, their families, and other closely connected vulnerable parties such as children and the elderly to overall reduce overdose incidents and deaths.

Expanded access through additional licenses and personnel will increase collaboration and information flow into PLX, allowing for better identification of narcotics distribution lines and at-risk persons, as well as the sharing of information. The Overdose Team and outreach personnel will ensure swift follow-up on actionable information, to include support for existing abatement strategies such as COPE and POWER initiatives. Additional emphasis will also be focused on the implementation of the "Handle with Care" initiative. Information will be shared with participating partners and through Weekly Rapid Response meetings.

As mentioned previously, the ORP is greatly needed in other areas of the state, as evidenced by the continual requests for assistance. An integral component of the ORP model is the ability to provide technical assistance and real time training to others at no cost to those individuals or agencies. In order to do so, GCSO has identified the need to increase the physical space they are currently occupying so that they can provide a work area for the new staff positions and include a larger conference and meeting space. The meeting space will be utilized for the rapid response meetings and as an ORP training area, eliminating the need to acquire and outfit another building, equipment, and technology.

The benefit and cost effectiveness of this training center model is that the staff and equipment are already there, eliminating any duplication of training equipment at another site and the associated costs of acquiring and maintaining another building. The current facility that the OD Team and Intelligence Unit occupies is located within a secure setting which is critical for the type of sensitive information and data that is being collected. The site has available space that can be remodeled and outfitted to be a training site and also allows for ample parking for others coming to rapid response meetings, assist or training. Currently, there is no other type of training location in the state that offers the equipment, technology and skilled staff that can provide this type of experiential training to municipalities in a cost-effective manner.

COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS

GCSO maintains strong working-relationships with the below entities who will be invited as active participants in this initiative. The primary goal of the ORP is to improve sharing of information to participating entities in order to prevent the compartmentalization of data that is vital to other ORP members.

<u>Prisma Health and Bon Secours St Francis</u> (Mercy Health) are the two healthcare systems in Greenville County, with multiple campuses, practices and hospitals throughout the county. Each system provides care to those who have overdosed, have co-occurring health conditions related to substance use and or mental health and are seeking treatment for addiction.

Bon Secours St Francis has two main campuses with hospitals, an ER, addiction treatment services and representatives that sit on community opioid-related initiatives and coalitions and have signed up to be a community distributor of Narcan.

Prisma Health Upstate is a teaching hospital equipped with a health science center (affiliated with four academic partners), three emergency rooms, a prehospital medicine division (EMS), a

children's hospital, and a multitude of sub-specialties to include Marshall Pickens (a psychiatric facility), a Pain Management Division that prescribes Suboxone, an Addiction Medicine Center and an Opioid Stewardship Program. The Prisma Greenville Memorial Campus ER has embedded Certified Peer Support Specialists through a partnership with FAVOR Greenville, which provides supportive services to patients who have experienced a nonfatal overdose and connects them with substance use treatment services throughout the county. Prisma Health Upstate has representatives that serve on community Opioid related initiatives and coalitions that target prevention, education, awareness and outreach at the local and state level.

<u>The Phoenix Center</u> is the local 301 county alcohol and drug treatment authority under the SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS). The Phoenix Center provides a variety of treatment services, prevention programs, services, coalitions and resources to include: residential treatment for women (in which they may bring up to two children from birth to age 6 years), intensive outpatient, an adolescent program, group counseling sessions, a detox management program, Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT), harm reduction strategies, EUDL Coalition, Mobile Education Trailer, ECHO RX Greenville/AET, training and teen and parent resources.

<u>FAVOR Upstate</u> (Greenville County) is a non-profit agency and recovery community that provides intervention and recovery services for those seeking recovery. They participate in community opioid/ substance use initiatives and coalitions, as well as partner with hospitals and other organizations through community outreach efforts.

Greenville County Coroner's Office responds to fatal overdoses, participates in community opioid coalitions and initiatives, supports the Phoenix Center with the Mobile Education Trailer and leads the Greenville County Overdose Fatality Review (GOFR) team. The GOFR is composed of community stakeholders to include representatives from the Greenville County Multijurisdictional Drug Enforcement Unit/Overdose Team and the Intelligence Unit amongst others that meet monthly to review fatal overdoses. The purpose of the OFR team is to conduct a thorough review of preventable overdose deaths in Greenville County to better understand how and why an individual dies as a result of an overdose death and to act to prevent other deaths through collaboration and communication with other stakeholders.

<u>Greenville County EMS</u> responds to approximately 80,000 emergency calls a year and serves approximately 533,000 residents in the county. Greenville County EMS representatives serve on community opioid related initiatives and coalitions and have a community paramedic program that provides outreach to those who have experienced an overdose with the goal to connect them to treatment and services.

<u>SC Department of Social Services</u> (DSS) has offices in all 46 counties and representatives at the state and local offices that participate in opioid related initiatives, coalitions and trainings. SC DSS collaborates with stakeholders in addressing the impact of substance use on children and families and referring families to wrap around services. SC DSS is responsible for the

development of a Plan of Safe Care for Substance Affected Infants and those with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASDs) under the federal Child Abuse Prevention Treatment act (CAPTA) and are tasked with supporting infants with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) or Newborn Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome (NOWS). DSS has been working with the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare (NCSACW) through an In-Depth Technical Assistance Grant and Policy Academy to develop a Family Centered Plan of Care for those with prenatal substance exposure and will be piloting efforts in select counties and Greenville has been selected as a pilot site. DSS collaborates with local and state stakeholders to address children and families in need of assessment and treatment of substance use and at times co-occurring mental health disorders. DSS has seen an increase in recent years of youth as well as adults with substance use disorders and a history of overdose and mental health and has welcomed the opportunity to be part of the Rapid Response Review Team.

Greenville Count School District is the largest school district in the state and the 44th largest school district in the country with approximately 76,000 students and 100 schools. GCSO provides School Resource Officers (SROs) to the county schools and assists with ensuring a safe school environment. The SROs are trained to handle critical events and emergencies that occur on school grounds to include responding to an overdose as they carry Narcan. They are a direct contact to relay critical and sensitive information that the Intelligence Unit may have that could impact student and school safety and are able to communicate with school officials to coordinate a response.

GCSO and its partners would like to implement a Handle With Care (HWC) program in local schools to identify students who have been exposed to or witnessed a criminal incident, critical event, or life circumstance such as a parent or caregiver being a part of a fatal or non-fatal overdose, domestic violence, violent crime etc. that could result in trauma otherwise undetected/observed by school staff. When a child has been victim of or exposed to a critical incident, a "Handle with Care" notice to the child's specified school personnel is submitted within 24 hours of the incident by law enforcement. The notice will not contain the particulars of the incident but will alert adults at the school that the identified student witnessed a scene that may result in changes to the child's home life, personality, emotional stability, or sense of safety and security. The rationale for the HWC intervention is that while school staff would not necessarily know that a child has been traumatized, due to the nature of exposure/incident that occurs outside of the school, the trauma could manifest over time and affect the student's health and wellbeing, school performance, resulting in behavioral and discipline issues that could further impact both the student and school safety.

BUDGET SUMMARY

The budget summary is listed below and includes equipment, computers and specific software and licensing, as well the portable MX098 Mass Spectrometer drug analyzer discussed above in the strategies section.

In addition to the infrastructure, we are requesting two additional law enforcement investigators due to the increase in cases, along with a MX908 mass spectrometer equipment to provide immediate drug identification for heightened safety measures and immediate actionable information for all partners. Also, a victim advocate that will work alongside the investigators to ensure the wrap around services and supports are made to the victim's family, provide a warm handoff for engagement, as well as coordinated follow-up over the time of the investigation.

ORP is requesting two outreach/crime prevention deputies to act as liaison between the Overdose and Intelligence teams and the Crime Prevention Unit. These deputies will be tasked with supporting and connecting individuals identified by the Intelligence Unit and POWER Initiative Opioid Program with education and treatment and recovery options through community partners.

A community deputy paramedic will work alongside law enforcement when responding to overdoses when lifesaving services are needed. The paramedic will provide follow up outreach to the non-fatal overdoses or visiting areas that intelligence has identified as high-risk areas for overdose. Additional task include supporting the SROs and responding to overdoses that may occur on school grounds and during school sanctioned events.

The Senior Level Intelligence Analyst will be responsible for assisting The Intelligence Unit and Overdose Team with analysis of cases and data, coordinating, and facilitating the weekly rapid response meetings, managing the ORP program, tracking the implementation of the strategies, outcomes, data collection, performance measurements, and the annual report.

The Mid-Level Intelligence Analyst will assist The Intelligence Unit and Overdose Team with analysis of cases and data as well as be the point of contact for the coordination of the Handle with Care initiative between the Intelligence Unit, the SROs and schools and support the Senior-Level Analyst.

The cost of the positions includes base salary, fringe benefits, cell phones, vehicles, and specialized equipment that the overdose investigators and community deputy paramedic require. Continuing education and training costs have been factored in for ORP and the Intelligence Unit to enhance investigative skills and stay current on evolving techniques and drug trends.

Currently there are no funds available to build the required infrastructure and staffing that is necessary in order to launch the ORP. The Greenville County Sherriff's Office is requesting 5% for administrative cost at \$59,604.90.

It is the intent of our agency to continue to build upon and expand our current abilities. By investing in the infrastructure and staffing to support collaborative, cross-system coordination with the purpose of preventing opioid overdoses through the above-mentioned strategies, we strongly believe that fatal and non-fatal overdoses will drastically decrease as well as decrease the associated abuse and neglect that occurs to children who may be exposed to the environment and change the trajectory of their life. The success of this program will not only reduce

fatalities and ease the burden on county resources (GCSO, EMS, & the Coroner's Office), the program will ultimately serve as a model for replication in other areas of South Carolina and nationally.

BUDGET

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Item	Qty	Cost Per Unit	Total Cost	
Equipment				
Mx908 Mass Spectrometer	1	\$94,414	\$100,079	
PLX Licenses (Annual)		\$10,020	\$74,348	
Cellebrite Phone Extractions Packages (Annual)		\$54,995	\$116,589	
Graykey Mobile Extraction Device & Software license (Annual)		\$25,297.25	\$53,630.17	
Data Extraction / Storage PC's		\$23,518.95	\$49,860.17	
Investigator / Analyst PC Packages	10	\$12,403.41	\$131,476.15	
Vibe Smart Board	2	\$7,849.00	\$16,639.88	
Facility Expense		\$200,000	\$200,000	
			\$742,623	
Item	Qty	Cost Per Unit	Total Cost	
Personnel				
Opioid Drug Overdose Investigators + Equipment	2	\$157,280	\$314,560	
Community Deputy Paramedic	1	\$235,000	\$235,000	
Senior Intelligence Analysts/Program Manager	1	\$124,900	\$124,900	
Mid-Level Intelligence Analysts	1	\$110,539	\$110,539	
Victim Advocate	1	\$110,539	\$110,539	
Outreach/Crime Prevention Deputy	2	\$148,280	\$296,560	
Continuing Education and Training	1	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	
			Total	
			\$1,292,098	
			Admin Cost	
			\$59,604.90	
Total Funds Requested				
\$2,094,326	L			
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LETTERS OF SUPPORT

- 1. Bon Secours St. Francis Health System
- 2. Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS)
- 3. FAVOR Upstate
- 4. Greenville County Coroner's Office
- 5. Phoenix Center
- 6. PRISMA Health Division of Prehospital Medicine in the Department of Emergency Medicine
- 7. Prisma Health Opioid Stewardship Program
- 8. School District of Greenville County
- 9. South Carolina 13th Circuit Solicitor's Office
- 10. South Carolina Department of Social Services (DSS)
- 11. South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services Greenville Office



December 1, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

Bon Secours St. Francis Health System supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

It is my understanding that the Greenville County Sheriff's Office is seeking funding from the SC Opioid Recovery Funds – allocated under the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund – to implement strategies to increase infrastructure and staffing to enhance data collection and cross-systems information-sharing to improve systems' responses and to increase overdose prevention and engagement as well as treatment and recovery.

Greenville County has suffered substantial increases in drug overdoses and overdose deaths each year. Fentanyl/opioid related overdoses, as well as overdoses linked to Xylazine, and other adulterants are on the rise and are impacting all sectors of the community.

Bon Secours St. Francis Health System supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these strategies to address individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders and who are at a high risk for overdose, while working to eliminate the deadly substances that are infiltrating our community and impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families.

Sincerely,

Matt Caldwell

President

Bon Secours St. Francis Health System

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South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

HENRY McMASTER
Governor
SARA GOLDSBY
Director

December 2, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, South Carolina 29601

RE: S.C. Opioid Recovery Fund Application

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

On behalf of the S.C. Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS), I am pleased to offer our support for the application by the Greenville County Sheriff's Office for an allocation from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund of the S.C. Opioid Recovery Fund.

We are aware that Greenville County has experienced a steady increase in rates of substance misuse, overdose, and overdose deaths in recent years, and this has impacted the health and wellbeing of families in the Upstate. Therefore, DAODAS fully supports efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for the implementation of innovative strategies that will build an infrastructure to identify root causes and sources of overdose; identify populations at risk of overdose; provide life-saving services to those with substance use disorders; and support collaborative, cross-system information-sharing to provide coordinated intervention and prevention efforts.

In closing, we encourage the S.C. Opioid Recovery Fund Board to award Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfunds to the Greenville County Sheriff's Office for the purpose of enhancing timely communication and surveillance to mitigate the opioid epidemic's impact on county residents and to improve overall health and wellbeing in our state.

Sincerely,

Sara Goldsby, MPH, MSW

Director





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December 2, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

FAVOR Upstate fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

The strategies will assist in the improvement of responses to individuals who are at high risk for overdose or substance abuse, collaborate with agencies and provide services to those suffering from mental health and substance use disorders in Greenville County while targeting the sources of drugs that are coming into our community and ultimately stopping the spread. The goal is to prevent the overdose before it happens through enhanced communications and a well-coordinated response.

It is my understanding that the Greenville County Sheriff's Office is seeking funding from the SC Opioid Recovery Funds—allocated under the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund to implement strategies to increase infrastructure and staffing to enhance data collection and cross systems information sharing to improve systems responses to increase overdose prevention and engagement into treatment and recovery.

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FAVOR Upstate supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these strategies to address individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders and are at a high risk for overdose while working to eliminate the deadly substances that are infiltrating our community and impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families. We look forward to joining GCSO as part of the biannual advisory board to support this initiative.

Sincerely,

Lesley Pregenzer

Chief Executive Officer, FAVOR Upstate

The State of South Carolina



Coroner
B. Parks Evans, Jr., D-ABMDI

Greenville County Coroner

December 1, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

The Greenville County Coroner's Office fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

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The Greenville County Coroner's Office supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these strategies to address individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders and are at a high risk for overdose while working to eliminate the deadly substances that are infiltrating our community and impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families. We look forward to participating in the biannual advisory board to collaborate and support these efforts.

Sincerely,

Chief Deputy Coroner

Mike Ellis



December 1, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

The Phoenix Center fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

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The Phoenix Center supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these strategies to address individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders and are at a high risk for overdose while working to eliminate the deadly substances that are infiltrating our community and impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families. We look forward to joining GCSO as part of the bi annual advisory board to support this initiative.

Sincerely,

Jessica Owens

Chief Operating Officer

Serve and Love Every Day







December 1, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

The Division of Prehospital Medicine in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Prisma Health – Upstate fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive integrated initiatives for law enforcement, community health, and other key stakeholders by utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research, and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

The implemented strategies will assist in the improvement of tailored individualized response to those who are at high risk for substance abuse and overdose as well as death, collaborate with agencies, and provide services to those suffering from mental health and substance use disorders in Greenville County while also targeting the sources of drugs that are coming into our community with the intent of ultimately removing the availability of these substances. The ultimate goal is to prevent deaths due to overdose before it happens through enhanced communications and a well-coordinated integrated response.

It is my understanding that the Greenville County Sheriff's Office is seeking funding from the SC Opioid Recovery Funds—allocated under the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund to implement strategies to increase the infrastructure and staffing to enhance data collection and cross systems information sharing to improve systems responses to reduce overdose and overdose deaths as well as increase engagement into treatment and recovery.

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The Division of Prehospital Medicine in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Prisma Health – Upstate strongly supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office in its efforts to secure funds for these innovate and forward thinking strategies to address individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders who are at a high risk for overdose while working to eliminate the deadly substances that are infiltrating our community and directly impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families.

Very Respectfully,

Gerald (Wook) Beltran, DO, MPH, MSIS, MSCJA, FACEP, FAEMS Chief, Division Of Prehospital Medicine Department of Emergency Medicine Prisma Health - Upstate Kevin B. Walker, MD, FASA Prisma Health, Opioid Stewardship Program

12/2/2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

I, Kevin B. Walker, fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

The strategies will assist in the improvement of responses to individuals who are at high risk for overdose or substance abuse, collaborate with agencies and provide services to those suffering from mental health and substance use disorders in Greenville County. This will provide opportunities to collaborate and communicate across services to care for our community. The goal is to prevent the overdose before it happens through enhanced communications and a well-coordinated response.

It is my understanding that the Greenville County Sheriff's Office is seeking funding from the SC Opioid Recovery Funds –allocated under the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund to implement strategies to increase infrastructure and staffing to enhance data collection and cross systems information sharing to improve systems responses to increase overdose prevention and engagement into treatment and recovery.

Greenville County has suffered substantial increases in drug overdoses and overdose deaths at a steady increase each year. Without the appropriate collaboration I feel our community could see a continued increase in this devastating crisis.

I fully endorse the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these to improve the safety and health of our community.

Sincerely,

Kevin B. Walker, MD FASA



The School District of Greenville County

W. Burke Royster, Ph.D. Superintendent

December 1, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

The Greenville County School District fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

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The Greenville County School District supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these strategies to address individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders and are at a high risk for overdose while working to eliminate the deadly substances that are infiltrating our community and impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families.

Sincerely,

W. Burke Royster, Ph.D.

Superintendent

State of South Carolina Solicitor, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit

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December 1, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Recovery Funds

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

The 13th Circuit Solicitor's Office fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state.

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The 13th Circuit Solicitor's Office supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these strategies to address individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders and are at a high risk for overdose while working to eliminate the deadly

substances that are infiltrating our community and impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families. We look forward to joining GCSO as part of the bi annual advisory board to support this initiative.

Sincerely,

W. Walter Wilkins, Solicitor Thirteenth Judicial Circuit

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HENRY McMASTER, GOVERNOR
MICHAEL LEACH, STATE DIRECTOR



December 02, 2022

Sheriff Hobart Lewis Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Re: SC Opioid Litigation Settlement Fund

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

The South Carolina Department of Social Services is pleased to offer our support on behalf of The Greenville County Sheriff's Office application for the available allocation of the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Sub fund as part of the SC Opioid Recovery Funds.

Greenville County has steadily seen an increase in the rates of substance use, overdoses, and overdose deaths in recent years and this has impacted the health and wellbeing of the children and families we serve. The efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for the implementation of innovative strategies that will build infrastructure to identify root causes and sources of overdose, identify populations at risk of overdose as well as provide life-saving services to those with substance use disorders, and support collaborative, cross-system information sharing to provide coordinated intervention and prevention efforts with the goal of preventing overdoses before they happen is greatly needed.

As such, we encourage the SC Opioid Litigation Settlement Fund Board to award the Greenville County Guaranteed Political Subdivision Funds to the Greenville County Sheriff's Office for the purpose of enhancing timely communications and surveillance to mitigate the Opioid Epidemics impact on the community and improve wellbeing in our state.

Sincerely,

Emily K. Medere

Deputy State Director of Child Welfare Services South Carolina Department of Social Services

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December 1, 2022

Hobart Lewis Sheriff Greenville County Sheriff's Office 4 McGee Street Greenville, SC 29601

Dear Sheriff Lewis:

The Greenville office of the S.C. Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services fully supports the Greenville County Sheriff's Office seeking funding for approved abatement strategies from the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund. These funds will be used to implement comprehensive initiatives for law enforcement, community health and other stakeholders utilizing evidence-based programs to collect, research and analyze the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state. The strategies will assist in the improvement of responses to individuals who are at high risk for overdose or substance abuse, collaborate with agencies and provide services to those suffering from mental health and substance use disorders in Greenville County while targeting the sources of drugs that are coming into our community and ultimately stopping the spread. The goal is to prevent the overdose before it happens through enhanced communications and a well-coordinated response. It is my understanding that the Greenville County Sheriff's Office is seeking funding from the SC Opioid Recovery Funds allocated under the Guaranteed Political Subdivision Subfund to implement strategies to increase infrastructure and staffing to enhance data collection and cross systems information sharing to improve systems responses to increase overdose prevention and engagement into treatment and recovery. Greenville County has suffered substantial increases in drug overdoses and overdose deaths at a steady increase each year. Fentanyl/opioid related overdoses, as well as overdoses linked to Xylazine, and other adulterants are on the rise and are impacting all sectors of the community. The S.C. Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services supports the efforts of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office to secure funds for these strategies to address





individuals in the community suffering from substance use disorders and are at a high risk for overdose while working to eliminate the deadly substances that are infiltrating our community and impacting the health and wellbeing of children and families.

Sincerely,

Robert Honeycutt

Agent-in-Charge

SCDPPPS

Greenville County



