

AT A JOINT MEETING OF THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SCHOOL BOARD, HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE THOMAS CALHOUN WALKER EDUCATION CENTER AUDITORIUM, 6099 T.C. WALKER ROAD GLOUCESTER, VIRGINIA ON A MOTION MADE BY _____, AND SECONDED BY _____, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Phillip N. Bazzani, ____;
Ashley C. Chriscoe, ____;
Kenneth W. Gibson, ____;
Christopher A. Hutson, ____;
Michael A. Nicosia, ____;
Robert J. Orth, ____;
Kevin M. Smith, ____;

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FY 2026 OPIOID SETTLEMENT
FUND SPENDING PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia is expected to receive opioid-related settlement funds by the settlement administrators each year until at least 2039;

WHEREAS, the Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) was established by the Virginia General Assembly in 2021 as an independent entity to abate and remediate the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth through financial support from the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance, for efforts to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid use disorder and the misuse of opioids in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, and 55% of each settlement is to be sent to the OAA to be distributed in accordance with Code of Virginia §2.2-2374; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors adopted an initial spending plan for use of opioid settlement funds at its September 5, 2023, meeting; and

WHEREAS, based on outcomes of the initial projects and additional stakeholder input, an updated spending plan for FY26 has been developed that will be funded with direct opioid settlement funds as well as funds from the OAA; and

WHEREAS, the recommended plan would continue support for the Prevention and Treatment Specialist position, access to transportation for medication assisted treatment and therapeutic counseling, subsidization of costs for medication assisted treatment locally and through the Northern Neck

Regional Jail Medication Assisted Treatment program, and production of a comprehensive resource guide; and

WHEREAS, the proposed spending plan incorporates subsidized residential/inpatient rehabilitation bed fees and scholarships for peer support certification training as new projects; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gloucester County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the attached FY2026 Opioid Settlement Fund Spending Plan.

A Copy Teste:

Carol E. Steele, County Administrator

Recommended FY26 Plan for Gloucester

| Recommended Initiative | Estimated Cost |
|---|-----------------------|
| Prevention and Treatment Specialist (GCPS) | \$32,225.00 |
| Comprehensive Resource Guide for Mid Pen Region | \$1,000.00 |
| Ride to Recovery (subsidized transportation to therapeutic counseling/MAT) | \$40,000.00 |
| Subsidizing MOUD/MAT locally and through Northern Neck Regional Jail | \$267,005.00 |
| Subsidized Residential/Inpatient Rehab Bed Fees | \$15,000.00 |
| Peer Support Certification Training Scholarships | \$5,000.00 |
| Project Contingency | \$5,000.00 |
| FY 2026 Proposed Budget Total | \$365,230.00 |



**PRESENTED BY QUINTON
SHEPPARD**

**DIRECTOR OF
COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT & PUBLIC
INFORMATION**

GLOUCESTER COUNTY'S OPIOID SETTLEMENT FY 26 PROJECTS/SPENDING PLAN



FY 2024 Approved Plan for Gloucester

| Recommended Initiative | First Year Estimated Cost |
|---|--|
| School-Based Prevention and Remediation: FT Prevention and Treatment Specialist at GHS | \$30,265 (includes a portion of salary costs and fringe) |
| Supplementing Existing Peer Support Programming: Mobile Integrated Healthcare Program in partnership with CSB and VDH | In-Kind Support |
| Marketing of available regional programming (via a comprehensive resource guide and/or website) | \$2,500-\$5,000 |
| Increasing access to MOUD/MAT and therapeutic counseling/groups through expanded transportation options | For Uber-style service the total first year cost would be \$40,150 (2 rides per day x 365 days). |
| Subsidizing MOUD/MAT for the most impoverished clients of AATC | \$29,200 (covers 5 clients for 365 days) |
| Total of All Initiatives | \$104,615 |

Project Impacts

- Prevention and Treatment Specialist
 - Has presented prevention programming to 616 GCPS students
 - Has provided individualized substance use disorder (SUD) counseling to 36 individual GHS youth (10 of which have been self-referred)
- Subsidized MAT
 - Finally commencing in February of 2025, this program is now serving 3 individuals with daily medication assisted treatment dosing.
- Ride to Recovery (Subsidized Transportation)
 - Between August 2024 and January of 2025, the program provided 209 rides to therapeutic counseling and medication-assisted treatment appointments.

Regional Collaboration

- NNRJ MAT/MOUD Program

- Cooperative Grant partnership between Gloucester, Richmond, Westmoreland, and Northumberland Counties AND the Northern Neck Regional Jail
 - We were awarded \$215,485, for the first year, and \$225,485 for an additional four years, to enhance/expand upon the jail's existing MAT/MOUD programming.
 - The County will provide a \$10,000 grant match on top of the requested amount for FY26.
- Impact
 - NNRJ went from serving 4 inmates with daily MAT dosing to now serving roughly 35.
 - Program participants are also connecting with Recovery Court, a program designed to support long-term recovery and reduce recidivism.

Subject Matter Expert Engagement Process

- Continued Stakeholder Engagement
 - Additional stakeholder meeting (with MPNNBH/Peer Recovery, DSS, Sheriff, private providers, Care Clinic, VDH) was held in January of this year to determine potential uses for retail settlement funds.
 - Ideas generated from this discussion:
 - Scholarships for individuals completing the peer support certification
 - Recovery high school (regional)
 - Subsidized bed fees for individuals leaving jail and entering rehab/inpatient treatment
 - Subsidized childcare for individuals in outpatient treatment

FY 2026 Proposed Expenditure Plan

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New Projects for FY 2026

- Subsidized bed fees for individuals leaving jail and entering residential rehab/in-patient treatment (up to \$15,000 total for all requests)
- Scholarships for individuals undertaking the Peer Recovery Support Specialist Certification training (10 scholarships at \$500 each)