

2025 REPORT

A Regional Approach to Addressing the Impacts of the Opioid Epidemic



States continue to distribute portions of the \$50 billion from opioid-related lawsuits, investing in substance use disorder (SUD) prevention, treatment, and recovery, and harm reduction, as defined in the Colorado Opioids Settlement Memorandum of Understanding.

In Colorado, the Department of Law and local governments established the Colorado Opioid Abatement Council (COAC) to oversee the use of settlement funds and ensure compliance with the Colorado Opioid Settlement Memorandum of Understanding.

Nineteen Regional Opioid Abatement Councils are administering funds through 2040 to support substance use disorder treatment, recovery services, harm reduction, prevention, and law enforcement efforts, with oversight from COAC.

The Region 2 Opioid Abatement Council represents all of Larimer County. The voting members include the cities of Fort Collins and Loveland, the towns of Estes Park and Wellington, Larimer County government, and the Larimer County Board of Health. For 2025, Region 2 received \$2.8 million in opioid settlement funds, supplemented by unspent funds from 2024 for a total of \$3.5 million. The following provides a summary of how these funds were distributed.

Approved Funding Areas

The Colorado Opioids Settlement Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) mandates that all settlement funds be used for "Approved Purposes" which are defined as forward-looking strategies, programming, and services to abate the opioid epidemic. The approved funding areas include the following:

**\$3.52
million
awarded**



Questions?

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Region 2: Funding Summary

ORGANIZATIONS

The following organizations received funding from the Region 2 Opioid Abatement Council in 2025.

Abundance Foundation - Provides recovery coaches and learning programs for those in sober living houses.

Butler Institute - Partners with a variety of organizations and provides resources to staff government oversight and management of opioid abatement programs.

Colorado Health Alliance - Builds infrastructure to support collaborative, cross-system coordination with the purpose of preventing opioid misuse, treatment or recovery, connections to care.

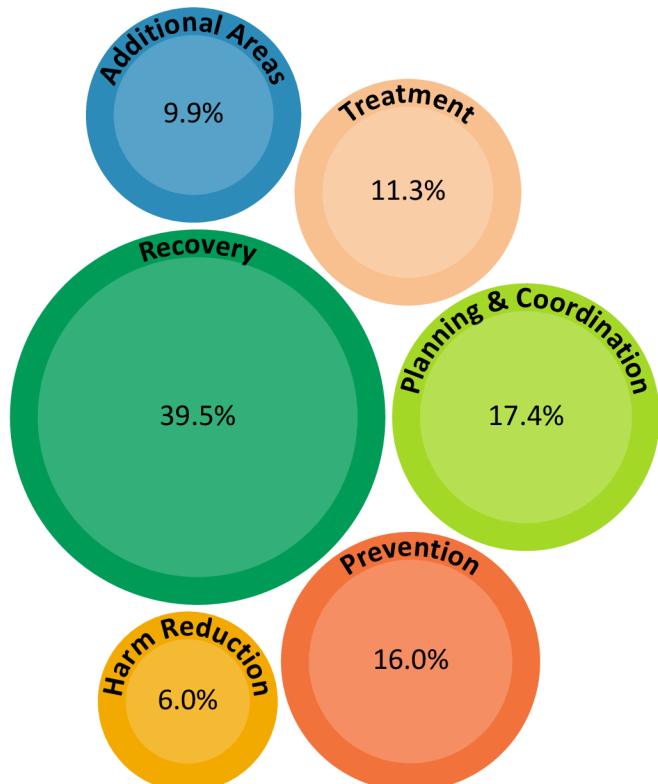
Colorado Health Network - Reduces and prevents drug overdose by providing naloxone, increases access to harm reduction supplies, increases linkages to care, and reduces disease transmission from re-use of supplies.

Colorado State University Prevention Research Center - Works collaboratively with Larimer County school districts to prevent SUD among middle and high school students.

EVICS Family Resource Center - Works to connect individuals and families to peer support through recovery programs.

Harvest Farm (Denver Rescue Mission) - Provides case management and community life coordination and expands supportive housing.

FUNDING BY AREA



La Familia/The Family Center - Support efforts to prevent misuse of opioids through programs or strategies that foster social connectedness.

Larimer County Sheriff's Office - Expands the Larimer County Co-Responder Unit to provide more coverage to respond to mental health and substance use calls.

Lighthouse - Works to provide supportive housing and other housing assistance to people in recovery from substance use.

Partners - Supports programs to address mental health needs of young people who may be at risk of misusing opioids or other drugs.

Rise Above Colorado - Implements opioid and fentanyl awareness prevention campaign targeted to Larimer County youth ages 12 – 17.

The Redpoint Center - Provide the full continuum of care of treatment and recovery services including supportive housing, peer support services and counseling, community navigators, case management, and connections to community-based services.

Yarrow Collective - Provides treatment and enhanced support for parents and incarcerated individuals with opioid use disorder and any co-occurring substance use or mental health conditions.

Prevention - Efforts that reduce the risk of opioid misuse through education, awareness, early intervention programs, and youth-focused curriculum.

Harm Reduction - Services that decrease the health and social harms of opioid use, including overdose prevention, naloxone distribution, and syringe access.

Treatment - Clinical and behavioral health services that address opioid use disorder and support individuals in achieving and maintaining recovery.

Recovery - Supports that help individuals sustain long-term recovery, such as peer services, housing, transportation, employment assistance, and outreach.

Planning & Coordination - Activities that strengthen regional collaboration, assess needs, and guide the equitable and effective distribution of funds.

Additional Areas - Administrative costs associated with meeting coordination, grant administration, staff training, and distribution of funding.