



Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority

Grant Summary Sheet December 2023

Name of City or County City County

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Type of Grant: Individual Cooperative Planning-Ind. Planning-Coop.

Category: Prevention Treatment Recovery Harm Reduction Justice Involved

Participating Cities/Countries: <small>(Individual Distribution contributions listed) (if applicable)</small>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Total Amount Requested from the OAA for FY24:

Overview of Proposed Grant Program:

This project proposal aims to establish the position of a Harm Reduction Specialist within the Department of Social Services. The Harm Reduction Specialist will collaborate with various community stakeholders, including police departments, local hospitals, schools, and community members to address the opioid crisis and its impact on child welfare and child maltreatment. This position will focus on implementing evidence-based harm reduction strategies and providing resources to individuals and families affected by opioid misuse.

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Summary of Staff Review and Recommendations

Manassas proposes to hire a harm reduction specialist to work within the local Department of Social Services (LDSS). This project is designed to reach the citizens through community involvement and to provide valuable support to families involved with with the LDSS with a primary focus on individuals 15-25 years old. The target group includes individuals affected by opioid misuse, their families, community members, local agencies, healthcare providers, and stakeholders. Through community engagement and educational programs, the project aims to reach a significant portion of the City's population. The total project cost is \$42,069 for the position and educational materials. The project will be sustained through various funding sources such as federal and state grants, private foundations, and local initiatives. Manassas is also requesting the renewal of this project for FY25 for \$6,997.

The OAA staff recommends full approval for this project in the amount of \$42,069 for FY24 and \$6,997 for FY25 with the FY25 renewal contingent on Manassas successfully completing and submitting of a progress report to the OAA including project status, timeline, performance measures, and financial data by June 1, 2024 for review before the FY25 funds will be transferred after July 1, 2024. If substantial movement on the project is not reflected in the progress report, the OAA may delay transferring the FY25 funds until an improvement plan is agreed upon.