

# Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Grant Awards to Cooperative Projects Involving Multiple Cities and/or Counties

Greetings to all Cities and Counties of the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority (“OAA”) is excited to launch its grant awards for cooperative projects involving multiple cities and/or counties from the Opioid Abatement Fund.

The contents of this package are for applying for a distribution from the Opioid Abatement Authority for cooperative projects involving multiple cities and/or counties in compliance with the national settlement agreements, Commonwealth’s memorandum of understanding (“MOU”), and *Code of Virginia* §2.2-2370. Per the MOU, at least two of the participating cities and/or counties must be within the same [Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services \(DBHDS\) Regions](#).

This package includes the relevant information for the city or county assigned as the fiscal agent for the cooperative project(s) to apply for the distribution from the OAA including guidance, instructions, the application form, and the terms and conditions.

This application period is open from January 19<sup>th</sup> through May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

OAA awards for cooperative projects will be on a fiscal year basis. Each award will be for one full fiscal year with up to four, one-year renewal options. An application for renewal will be required from the participating partner cities and/or counties and submitted between October 1 and April 1 of each year. After a project has been renewed four times, the cooperating partner cities and/or counties will need to submit a new complete application. The initial cooperative projects will be awarded for Fiscal Year 2024.

Reporting will be on a yearly basis for this first award cycle, due September 1, 2024, on forms prescribed by the OAA.

Grant requests for cooperating partnerships are awarded on a competitive basis. In making decisions about which grants to award, the OAA Board of Directors follows the statutory requirements of §2.2-2370.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions on the application or the award process.

Thanks and Regards,

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