



## **Amended 2025 OAFC Grant Issuance Plan**

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### **Background and Purpose**

Opioid Abatement Fund Council (OAFC) program rules at 34 TAC 16.202 require the council to adopt a grant issuance plan that allocates funds among one or more grant cycles. The following is a proposed Amended 2025 Grant Issuance Plan for council consideration. The amended plan changes the order of grant opportunities so that the council-selected targeted strategy is moved to Summer 2025 and Community-based Opioid Recovery Effort (CORE) Long-Term grants are moved to Fall 2025. The amendment also designates Recovery Housing as the council-selected targeted strategy for 2025.

### **2025 Grant Cycle: \$100 Million**

#### **Spring 2025: Community-based Opioid Recovery Effort (CORE) Short-term Grants**

**Funding Amount:** Up to \$25 million across all regions

**Grant Term:** One-time awards (single payment) and short-term projects (less than 1 year)

**Regional Component Parameters:** Available funding will be divided among the 20 Regional Health Care Partnership regions and allocated according to the percentages at 34 TAC 16.202 (e)(1)(A). Eligible applicants may apply for one award per region. Entities that provide services in multiple regions may apply for one award in each region served. Separate applications must be submitted for each region. Applicants will be required to describe how the proposed project or use of funds will impact the specific region.

**Eligible Applicants:** Any entity that engages in business in Texas in accordance with 34 TAC 16.205 and has a physical address within the geographic boundary of the region of the available funding or provides services within the geographic boundary of the region.

**Awards:** Applications that meet requirements will be awarded on a competitive basis as available funding allows. The requested award amount may not exceed either \$250K or 20



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percent of the total funds available to the region. Unused funds may be reallocated among regions in accordance with Government Code 403.509(b).

**Eligible Categories/Strategies:** Grants may be awarded for any council-approved category and strategy as provided by 34 TAC 16.201. Pursuant to 34 TAC 16.201(c), the council has elected to give equal priority for grant funding to all approved strategies for fund usage.

### Summer 2025: Council-Selected Targeted Grant Strategy

**Funding Amount:** Up to \$25 million

**Grant Term:** 2 – 5 years

**Targeted Funding Parameters:** As provided by 34 TAC 16.202, the council shall establish parameters for the authorized uses of the targeted intervention component of each grant cycle. For this grant opportunity authorized use of the funding is limited to strategies to support the expansion of recovery housing services. Services must address community needs across the state.

**Eligible Applicants:** Any entity that engages in business in Texas in accordance with 34 TAC 16.205.

**Awards:** The council will award one or more grants either on a statewide or regional basis to best address community need. Applications that meet requirements will be awarded on a competitive basis as available funding allows.

**Eligible Categories/Strategies:** Pursuant to 34 TAC 16.201(c), the council has elected to give priority to approved strategies within any approved category that focus on expanding the state's capacity for recovery housing, including increasing the number of available short-term and long-term beds for those recovering from opioid use disorder. The program may also address the needs of individuals involved with the justice system who are scheduled to receive in-patient treatment but need short-term housing until a bed becomes available.



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### **Fall 2025: Community-based Opioid Recovery Effort (CORE) Multi-Year Grants**

**Funding Amount:** Up to \$50 million across all regions

**Grant Term:** Multi-year projects (1 – 3 years)

**Regional Component Parameters:** Available funding will be divided among the 20 Regional Health Care Partnership regions and allocated according to the percentages at 34 TAC 16.202 (e)(1)(A). Eligible applicants may apply for one award per region. Entities that provide services in multiple regions may apply for one award in each region served. Separate applications must be submitted for each region. Applicants will be required to describe how the proposed project or use of funds will impact the specific region.

**Eligible Applicants:** Any entity that engages in business in Texas in accordance with 34 TAC 16.205 and has a physical address within the geographic boundary of the region of the available funding or provides services within the geographic boundary of the region.

**Awards:** Applications that meet requirements will be awarded on a competitive basis as available funding allows. The requested award amount may not exceed \$250K per year for maximum of three years or 50 percent of the total funds available for a region. Unused funds may be reallocated among regions based on need in accordance with Government Code 403.509(b).

**Eligible Categories/Strategies:** Grants may be awarded for any strategy within the following council-approved categories: 1) Treatment and Coordination of Care; and 2) Recovery Support Services. Pursuant to 34 TAC 16.201(c), the council has elected to give equal priority to all approved strategies within the identified categories.