

Enrolled No. R167-042

RESOLUTION

File No. 23-24/066

- APPROVING THE EAU CLAIRE COUNTY OPIOID TASK FORCE TO EXPEND FUNDING FOR A PUBLIC HEALTH SPECIALIST IN THE EAU CLAIRE CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT -

WHEREAS on September 20, 2022, the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors authorized the creation of the Opioid Task Force, and,

WHEREAS the task force is tasked with recommending uses of the settlement funds for community assessment and opioid abatement purposes such as expanding addiction treatment workforce, increasing adoption of clinical best practices, and improving enforcement of mental health parity and consumer protection laws at the state level; and,

WHEREAS through September 2023, funding from grants have supported the time of a Public Health Specialist with the Eau Claire City-County Health Department to coordinator distribution of harm reduction (Narcan, fentanyl test strips) and medication safety supplies (lock bags and boxes, medication deactivation kits) and to provide education and awareness related to opioid prevention through workshops and materials to help community members understand the opioid crisis and tools to help address it; and,

WHEREAS the Opioid Task Force is recommending to the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors to approve Opioid Settlement funds to support half (50%) of the cost for the Public Health Specialist at \$44,170 so that the City-County Health Department can continue to implement this program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors hereby approves funding from the Opioid Settlement fund in the amount of \$44,170 (50% of the total cost of the position.)

ADOPTED: December 19, 2023

Sue McDonald
County Clerk