



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

DATE: May 12, 2022
TO: Board of Health
FROM: Doug Gieryn, Public Health Director
RE: PHAST Grant

Background:

This is a PHAST (Public Health And Safety Team) grant from the CDC Foundation. The grant is intended to support a collaboration between WCHD and Oshkosh Fire Department to implement the CDC's PHAST toolkit, which compliments the overdose prevention work currently being done through the Overdose Fatality Review Team. Public Health and safety partners have agreed to direct funding to the initial implementation of Winnebago County Systems of Support (SOS), a rapid response initiative aimed at responding to non-fatal overdoses and preventing overdose deaths.

This grant is primarily pass-through funding to Solutions Recovery Inc. to support the initial implementation of Winnebago County Systems of Support (SOS). The Winnebago County Health Department will be the fiscal sponsor. Solutions Recovery, Inc. will use funds to cover salary costs for the program supervisor for 6.5 months and wages for recovery coaches for 3 months, program supplies, transportation assistance, and a database. The Health Department will use funds to cover costs for training of the recovery coaches and the purchasing of technology for the program.

Policy Discussion:

Much of the work of the Overdose Fatality Review Team and work on recommendations from that team is grant funded. Please see our latest annual report for more detail:

https://www.co.winnebago.wi.us/sites/default/files/uploaded-files/2020_2021_winnebago_ofr_annual_report.pdf

Requested Action:

To approve the budget transfer for allocation of the PHAST grant funds.

Committee Action:

May 20 Board of Health - approved 7-0