

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

9:45 AM

or immediately following the regular board meeting

*Meeting to be held in the County Board Room
at the Historic Courthouse, 215 1st Ave S, Long Prairie, MN.*

MEETING WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED AT: [HTTPS://WWW.TODDCOUNTYMN.GOV](https://www.toddcountymn.gov)

Agenda Item #

Agenda Time:

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| 1 | Board of Adjustments Membership Changes
<i>Adam Ossefoort, PZ/SWCD Division Director</i> | 9:45 |
| 2 | LAC Presentation
<i>Kim DeCock, HHS Division</i> | 9:50 |
| 3 | Opioid Settlement Recap
<i>Katherine Mackedanz, Kim DeCock & Christopher Brigman</i> | 10:00 |

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What is a Local Advisory Council

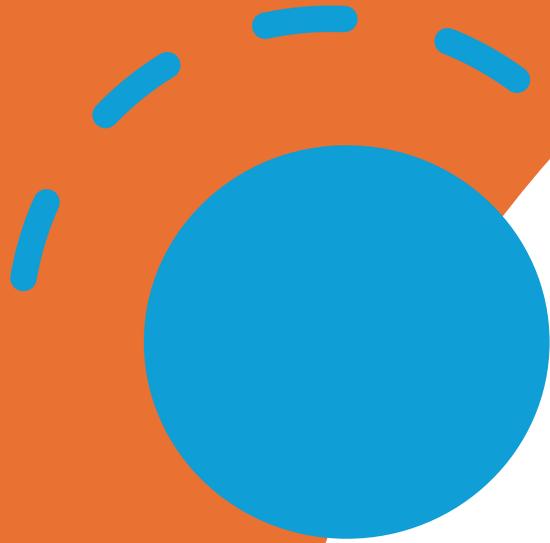
- Made up of diverse groups of individuals representing the community they serve
- Provide recommendations for how to improve mental health services
- Review and evaluate local mental health services in their community on a quarterly basis
- Every county in MN is required by statute to have a LAC



Minnesota
Statute Chapter
245.466 Subd. 5



The county board, individually or in conjunction with other county boards, shall establish a local adult mental health advisory council or mental health subcommittee of an existing advisory council.



What is the goal of a Local Advisory Council?

Utilize the knowledge of diverse groups of individuals to improve mental health services.

Benefits of a Local Advisory Council



Empower individuals with lived mental health experience



Improvement of the local mental health systems and community services



Advice and evaluations on current mental health systems in the community- honest feedback

Local Advisory Council Membership

LAC meetings are open to:

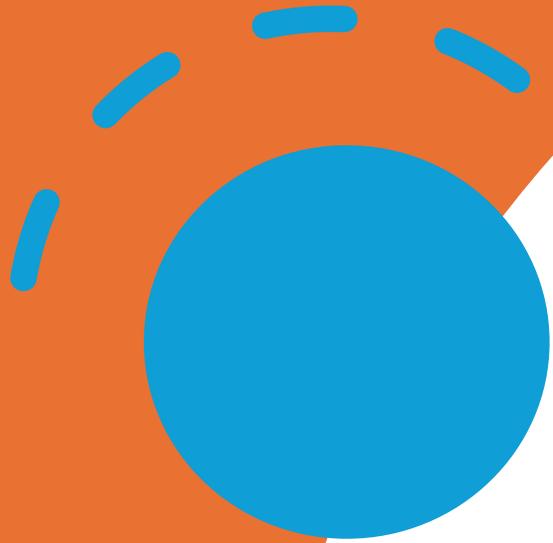
- Individuals with lived mental health experience,
- Professionals providing mental health programs and services
- Family members of individuals with lived mental health experience.





County Specific Details Here:

- Meeting cadence
 - Third Wednesday of the odd months at 9:00 am in Annex 1, Room 2 and virtual option
- Leadership
 - Jode Freyholtz-London, Chair
 - Janet Karnes, Vice-Chair
- Annual Report
 - AMHI Mini-Grant for 2 Mental Health Events
 - May Event
 - November Event partnered with Staples-Motley Beyond Poverty
- Goals
 - Conflict Resolution Policy
 - LAC Awareness in the community and with the County Board
 - Stigma Reduction through Mental Health Events



Thank you!



Todd County Opioid Settlement Update

MARCH 17, 2026

MN Opioid Settlement Overview

- ▶ July 2021: Minnesota's AG joined the Multi-District Litigation with pharmaceutical distributors AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, McKesson, and opioid manufacturer Johnson & Johnson totaling \$26 billion.
 - ▶ \$300 million to Minnesota
- ▶ Dec 2022: AG joined five additional multistate settlements worth \$20.4 billion with major opioid manufacturers Teva Pharmaceuticals and Allergan, and retail pharmacy chains—Walmart, CVS, and Walgreens.
 - ▶ \$243 million to Minnesota
- ▶ June 2025: AG joined an additional multistate settlement worth up to \$7.4 billion with opioids manufacturer Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family.
 - ▶ Pending court approval, if approved will bring approximately \$59 million to Minnesota.
- ▶ July 2025: the Attorney General's Office joined additional multistate settlements worth up to \$720 million with eight opioid manufacturers.
 - ▶ Pending court approval, if approved will bring approximately \$9 million to Minnesota.

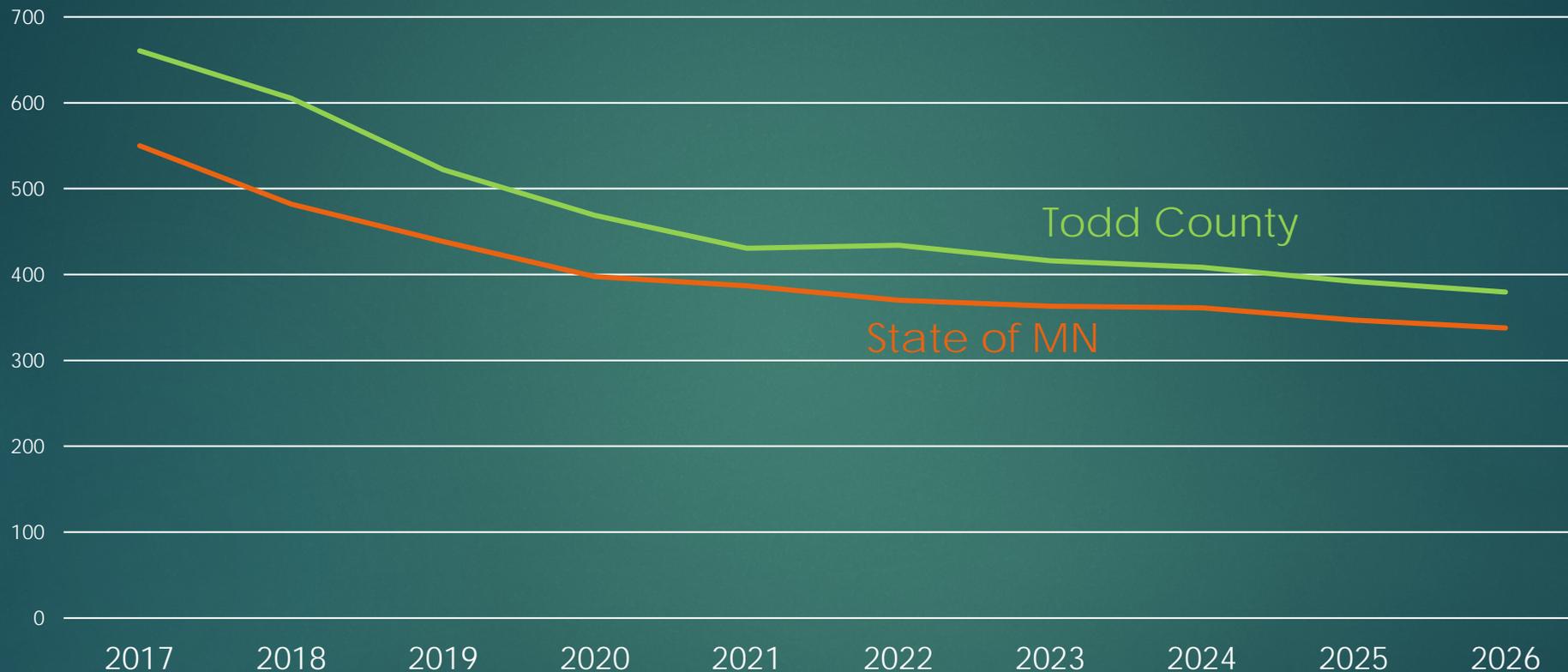
Fund Distribution

- ▶ In Minnesota 75% of funds go to local communities and 25% to the State, to be overseen and distributed by Opioid Epidemic Response Advisory Council (OERAC).
- ▶ All funds must be used for opioid mitigation activities including but not limited to;
 - ▶ Treatment, prevention, recovery, harm reduction, research, and training
- ▶ Todd County's allocation (2022-2038):
 - ▶ Initial Settlement= \$863,240
 - ▶ Second Wave= \$702,636
 - ▶ Total= \$1,565,876

Core abatement strategies

- ▶ Broaden access to naloxone
- ▶ Increase use of medications to treat opioid use disorder
- ▶ Improve treatment in jails and prisons
- ▶ Enrich prevention strategies
- ▶ Support data collection and research
- ▶ Provide treatment and supports during pregnancy and the postpartum period
- ▶ Fund warm hand-off programs and recovery services
- ▶ Expand services for neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome

Opioid Prescription Rate by Year



Source: Minnesota Pharmacy Prescription Monitoring Program

Note: The prescription rate is measured as the number of prescriptions dispensed based on patient county divided by the total number of people living in a county to create a rate per 1,000 people.

In 2024, Minnesota saw a continued decline in overdose deaths. Synthetic opioids continue to dominate fatal overdoses, with decreases across all opioid categories.



Current Funding Update

(as of February 2026)

- ▶ Opioid Settlement funds received= \$594,655.21
- ▶ Opioid Settlement funds spent= \$160,502.63

- ▶ Current fund balance= \$403,761.90
 - ▶ Backstop (7% set aside)= \$30,390.68

2025 Funded Projects

<u>Agency Funded</u>	<u>Program/Service</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Mitigation Activity</u>
TCHHS & LPPD	Criminal Justice Mental Health Summit	\$1,914.11	Training
TCSO	LPR- Flock Cameras	\$12,000.00	Harm reduction
First Baptist Church	Celebrate Recovery Funding	1,137.11	Recovery
Wellness in the Woods	Peer Recovery Support in the Jail	\$20,449.45	Treatment/recovery
Better Days Treatment Center	Support people in treatment & recovery	\$2,679.91	Treatment/recovery
Staples PD	Medication/drug disposal	\$789.75	Harm reduction
Fairy-Lily-Long Lake Assoc.	Exterior AED stations	\$ 15,000.00	Harm reduction
TCHHS	Admin support	\$8,707.65	Admin