

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NO. 2026-03

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AMENDING
ORDINANCE 2024-18. CREATING NEW FUNDS FOR THE RECEIPT OF
MONIES FROM THE SETTLEMENT OF OPIOID ADDICTION LITIGATION
AND IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND
DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH MONIES (AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-11)**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code Section 4-6-15, Cass County has received monies from the settlement of the litigation related to opioid addiction; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish new funds within the County Auditor's Office where the proceeds of the opioid settlement are to be deposited;

WHEREAS, it is also necessary to establish a policy and procedure for the maintenance and distribution of such funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Cass County, Indiana, that:

1. Pursuant Indiana Code Section 4-6-15, there is hereby created two (2) funds within the County Auditor's Office which shall be titled "Opioid Settlement Funds" and the Auditor has issued fund numbers 1237 (Opioid Restricted) and 1238 (Opioid Unrestricted) for such purposes. The proceeds from the settlement of the opioid addiction litigation and all future opioid addiction related litigations shall be deposited in said funds, with both funds designated as "non-reverting".

2. The Cass County Commissioners recognize that the Cass County Local JRAC is comprised of members that represent all intercepts of the local criminal justice system and the recovery community, including: Prevention and treatment providers, Law enforcement, Local Judiciary, Jail Administration, Prosecutor and Public Defender, Pretrial Services, Community Corrections and Probation, Individuals with lived experience, Victims of crime and family members impacted by overdose, and County Commissioners and County Council members.

3. The microgrant program shall be managed and monies shall be

dispersed by an Opioid Settlement Financial Executive Officer, who at the time of the approval of this Ordinance is designated to be Hillary Hartoin by the Cass County Commissioners. That any change in this appointment shall be determined by the Cass County Commissioners.

4. That the Opioid Settlement Financial Executive Officer shall receive a yearly stipend of \$5,500 plus Fringe paid from Fund 1237 (Opioid Restricted) pursuant to Allowable Abatement Use J that states the tracking and reporting of opioid settlement expenditures and outcomes, as well as staffing resources necessary for effective oversight and management of opioid abatement programs is an allowable cost.

5. Therefore, the Cass County Commissioners appoint the Cass County Local JRAC (Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council) to discuss, review and make recommendations regarding the approval of submitted proposals for the use of opioid litigation monies as part of the Cass County Opioid Settlement Microgrant Program. Microgrant proposals shall adhere to guidelines set forth by the Opioid Settlement Financial Executive Officer and demonstrated an vested interest in Cass County. Proposals shall be reviewed in January and July of each calendar year. Deadlines for submissions are due no later than June 30th and December 31st of each calendar year. The Cass County Local JRAC is charged with reviewing submitted proposals on how best to utilize the County's allocated funds from such opioid settlement.

6. JRAC has determined, and the Cass County Commissioners approve that the current purpose for the use of these initial opioid litigation monies is to be used for only approved proposals and award amount as referenced below:

Cass County Sheriff's Department	Dual Purpose K9	\$11,000.00
Logansport Police Department	TruNarc Analyzer	\$39,908.00
Drug Task Force		

Cass County Court Services	Jail Programming Tablets	\$16,520.00
4DRH Recovery Home	Emergency	\$15,000.00
Women at the Well Recovery	Scholarship/Expenses Fund	
Home	Restoration of Recovery	\$15,000.00
Partners for a Drug Free		
Cass County (LCC)	Cass County	\$0.00
	Communications Network	***Application
	Anti Stigma Campaign	withdrawn
Father's House Recovery	Expenses Fund	\$15,000.00
Home		
Cass County Auditor	Amplifund Grant	\$3,400.00
	Management Software	
Logansport Police	Dual Purpose K9	\$8,000.00
Department		
Cass County Court & Pretrial	Training	\$2000.00
Services		
Community Corrections &	Justice Systems	\$14,000.00
Court & Pretrial Services	Partners/Brian Lovins	
	Training	
Cass County Fire	2 Zoll Plus Semi Automatic	\$3,398.00
	AEDS	
Cass County Sheriff's	Drug Free	\$7,773.41
Department		
Women at the Well Recovery	Awareness/Prevention Items	
Home	Recovery Center Remodel	\$22,440.00
	Phase II	
Court Services & Cass	Change Journals for Jail	\$2,000.00
County Sheriff's Department	Programming	
Community Corrections &	Support for Coaching Model	\$6,500.00
Court & Pretrial Services	Training	
Logansport Police	K9 Trainer Course	\$8,000.00
Department		
Cass County Court & Pretrial	Therapeutic Services	\$45,000.00

Services	Contract	
Cass County Prosecutor's Office	Domestic Violence Taskforce Fundraiser Baskets	\$350.00
Cass County Superior Court 2	Audio Visual System for Courts	\$15,754.00
Cass County Sheriff's Department	Sheriff's Department Mobile Application	\$13,000.00
Logansport Police Department	Cell Brite Training	\$4,700.00
Youth Services Alliance/LLC	Red Ribbon Week	\$4,000.00
Women at the Well Recovery Home	Recovery Center Remodel Phase II	\$17,817.00
Cass County IT Department	Computers for Pretrial Services	\$3,000.00

7. The above-referenced entities shall file a claim voucher with the Financial Control Officer so that the funds shall be reimbursed to the entity for the purchase permitted under the approved proposal by the entity.

8. Each entity referenced above will be required to execute a Memorandum of Understanding, which shall set forth the procedure for the implementation of the project set forth by the entity referenced above and other requirements necessary to receive reimbursement for the project submitted.

9. The Financial Control Officer shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of the receipts and expenditures of any and all funds deposited from the opioid litigation settlement.

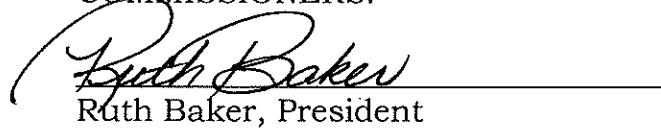
10. No money received from the opioid litigation settlement shall be used for any type of deposit other than those referenced in this Ordinance.

11. Grant awards recommended by JRAC will be subject to final approval

by the Cass County Board of Commissioners.

All of which this Ordinance is PASSED and ORDAINED by Cass County Board of Commissioners this 2 day of February 2026.

CASS COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS:


Ruth Baker, President


Vacant, Vice President

Michael Deitrich

Attest:


Alicia Pifer, County Auditor

