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Agency	Contact	Purpose
<p>City of Biddeford and Saco SA-01-16</p>	<p>James Bennett, Biddeford City Manager 205 Main Street Biddeford, ME 04005 Website: http://www.biddefordmaine.org/</p>	<p>The Saco Biddeford Opiate Outreach Initiative (SBOOI) is a collaborative effort between the cities of Biddeford and Saco, Maine, our police departments, the University of New England's Coastal Healthy Communities Coalition, and Southern Maine Healthcare.</p> <p>The SBOOI is modeled after a successful program created by the Arlington Police Department in Arlington, MA. It is designed to meet drug users and their families "where they're at" to facilitate pathways to community-based treatment, medically assisted treatment, recovery, and support services. The program is founded on the premise that detoxification occurs behind walls but recovery occurs in our community.</p> <p>The Saco and Biddeford Police Departments will implement the SBOOI which will be coordinated by a Police Department Mental Health Clinician co-located within each police headquarters and designated as the SBOOI Coordinator. The SBOOI Coordinator will work collaboratively to meet a set of strategic goals and objectives designed to reduce the number of opiate overdoses, reduce the volume of criminal activity associated with drug seeking behaviors, expand access to treatment options, empower and motivate families, and reduce social stigma associated with addiction as a whole, Our ultimate goal is to create a community that helps citizens achieve and maintain long term recovery.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SA-01-16 \$ 98,000.00</p>

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<p>Portland Police Department SA-02-16</p>	<p>Lisa Perrotta, Planning and Research Coordinator 109 Middle St Portland. ME 04101 Website: https://portlandmaine.gov/202/Police</p>	<p>A group of Portland based nonprofit and public sector partners came together to create and launch the Greater Portland Addiction Collaborative (GPAC) - an integrated and comprehensive model focused on meeting the opioid crisis head on. The goal of the group is to coordinate the delivery of services to uninsured or underinsured persons battling addiction primarily by connecting what was a disjointed array of existing systems. The collaborative also identified gaps in the continuum of care and is working to fill those gaps. By optimizing existing assets, sharing data, continually measuring progress and recalibrating its model, GPAC hopes to shift services from the high-cost acute hospital setting to a more cost-effective community setting. Guided by the GPAC Coordination Team and supported by recovery community volunteers and peer support workers, clients will move seamlessly through the system of existing resources.</p> <p>This project supports the efforts of GPAC by funding the salary and benefits of the Portland Police Department Substance Use Disorder Liaison (SUDL) and addressing one of the gaps in services: the availability of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT). The SUDL is a member of the GPAC Coordination Team where he represents Police Department interests in keeping users safe and out of jail. The SUDL will work with the CT to identify clients who would benefit from MAT as a bridge to recovery and will closely monitor all clients receiving MAT. The SUDL will also conduct outreach and support to users identified by police personnel and will act as a resource for police officers and members of the public seeking information on addiction.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SA-02-16 \$ 124,000.00</p>
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<p>Sanford Police Department SA-03-16</p>	<p>Chief Thomas P. Connolly. Jr. 935 Main Street Sanford, Maine 04073 Website: http://sanfordmaine.org/police</p>	<p>The unique aspect of our plan is the important and innovative role that will be played by police officers. Police officers will be trained to identify, interview, evaluate, and refer selected clients who are suffering from opioid-based substance abuse disorder, to an evidence-based, all inclusive, local community program. By using a modified SBIRT model, police officers will engage community members in a conversation about their substance abuse, evaluate their level of use, help the client develop a narrative that includes stopping their opioid use, and then formally referring that client to MBH for admission into a long term, evidence-based, treatment program. The noteworthy aspects of the Sanford Police Department's role are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police officers know who, in the community, are abusing opioids. They are well placed to interact with these people in both formal and informal settings. • Using the motivational interviewing aspects of SBIRT, the police officer will attempt to have the person abusing opioids acknowledge the adverse consequences of opioid abuse, and the effects these consequences have on the abuser and the community as a whole. This self-reflection and acknowledgment is a crucial first step in successful treatment. • Opioid abusers who acknowledge that they need help and are willing to commit to a formal, long term program of treatment will then be referred to MBH for a formal screening • If the client does not have public or private insurance, the treatment will be paid through grant funds obtained through this solicitation • If the client is admitted to the treatment program, these same police officers will continue to engage the client during the course of the client's treatment. This additional engagement will help to reinforce the strategy of a holistic approach and wrap-around support • If the client does not agree to enter treatment, the officer will continue to contact the client in the community and use motivational interviewing techniques with the hope that the client will eventually experience a lifesaving epiphany <p style="text-align: right;">SA-03-16 \$ 195,560.00</p>
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<p>Westbrook Police Department SA-04-16</p>	<p>Captain Steven Goldberg 570 Main Street Westbrook ME 04092 Website: http://www.westbrookmaine.com/police</p>	<p>The Westbrook Police Department is ready to launch an innovative program to assist people struggling with opioid use disorders. The program will focus on long-term outcomes rather than simply focusing on the acute treatment phase of the recovery process. Westbrook PD has a number of qualifying factors to be able to accomplish this; (1) An existing coalition focusing on the opiate epidemic in our community with a member base of over 75 people representing over 30 agencies and counting. (2) Awarded and qualified employees specializing in opioid use disorders and substance use prevention. (3) Strong collaborations with the Cumberland County Sheriffs Department, State of Maine Probation and Parole, and the Police Departments of Buxton, Gorham, and Windham. In addition to these collaborations, the Westbrook PD and its CASH coalition have partnered with some of the most innovative treatment and recovery programs Maine has to offer, including harm reduction programs, medically assisted programs, recovery coaching services, telephone recovery support, and many other programs and organizations.</p> <p>Our program, the Westbrook Recovery Liaison Project (WRLP) will operate using the following evidence based models to guide all aspects of this project:</p> <p>A Recovery Oriented System of Care (ROSC)</p> <p>The Criminogenic Risk and Behavioral Health Needs Framework (CRBHNF)</p> <p>WRLP's incarcerated participants will receive evidence based treatment programming inside the Cumberland County Jail. We will also provide this underserved population with coordinated and comprehensive re-entry services, including the prioritizing of intensive outpatient treatment programming that will begin the day they are released back into our communities. In addition to referrals to treatment services, all participants (law enforcement involved or not) will be connected to health insurance, housing, vocational, educational, arts, recreational, family, and health and wellness programs.</p> <p>It is our priority to build on the strengths of our communities and provide every possible recovery service available to help us reach our goals of reducing opioid substance use and recidivism. Therefore,</p>
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<p>Aroostook County District Attorney's Office (Prosecutorial District Number 8) SA-05-16</p>	<p>District Attorney Todd Collins 144 Sweden Street Caribou ME 04736 Website: https://www.arostook.me.us/departments/district-attorney-office.html</p>	<p>The Aroostook County District Attorney's Office would like to establish an alternative to traditional criminal justice models wherein carefully screened individuals may be diverted from extended jail sentences and felony convictions where appropriate. The Aroostook DAO proposes to create an Aroostook County Diversion Academy program (the Academy) that would carefully manage 15-20 drug and alcohol addicted defendants facing significant jail time for drug and alcohol related crimes; supervision would be loosely based on a traditional drug-court model, but it would be facilitated and managed through the services of a post-conviction Victim Advocate within the DAO and enforcement of the Academy program would be done through the use of Deferred Disposition Agreements.</p> <p>This grant application is for the hiring of the advocate whose primary role would be to manage those defendants enrolled in the Academy. The advocate position would provide services such as intensive supervision of the individuals whom have been refe1Ted to us through the Academy. In order for individuals to qualify for services they need to have substance abuse issues, mental illness (non-violent), or be a youthful offender.</p> <p>The Academy would provide the drug-addicted defendant with the opportunity to reduce the amount of time they are incarcerated, the ability to get treatment services while incarcerated, and would require continued treatment once released from jail. The Aroostook County Jail (ACJ) has a drug and 'alcohol treatment program, which provides about 6-8 weeks of treatment in the jail prior to their release in an effort to provide them with tools for a successful and drug and alcohol free life in the community. The ACJ program, however, does not have any ability to monitor those individuals after their release nor is there any mechanism for the individual to remain in treatment except upon their own initiative. The Academy will bridge the treatment gap between jail and the community for those offenders that wouldn't otherwise have meaningful supervision and guidance during that critical transition from the jail to the community.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SA-05-16 \$ 107,094.00</p>
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<p>Somerset County Sheriff's Office SA-06-16</p>	<p>Michael Welch 131 East Madison Road Madison ME 04950 Website: http://www.somersetcounty-me.org/sheriffs-office.html</p>	<p>The focal piece of this project is the development of a Caseworker position. This individual will develop an individual case plan for each County inmate that is incarcerated for over a 30 day period. Participants will have access to community resources even if they are admitted and bailed the same day. Screenings, assessments, referrals and programming will begin early during the incarceration. Through this study, it was determined that almost 60% of our inmates were released with 3 days and 80% within 70% within 14 days of incarceration. With our current practice, these inmates are not having an opportunity for programming or given community resources for assistance. The new collaborations, programs and trainings that are being proposed will allow us to address these deficiencies.</p> <p>Another function of the Caseworker will be to follow up with inmates after release. This need was confirmed and requested by both focus groups we conducted with a group of male and female inmates. Both these groups included County inmates that had been through our facility at least 3 times and had admitted substance abuse issues. They were all in favor of having someone they could have weekly contact with, for up to 60 days after incarceration, to offer support and community resources. This will also include the Caseworker calling inmates that have released the day they were admitted to offer any community resources they may need. We are anticipating 20-25 inmates to be on the Caseworkers caseload during a 60-day period.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SA-06-16 \$ 169,948.00</p>
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<p>Bangor Police Department SA-07-16</p>	<p>Chief Mark Hathaway 240 Main Street. Bangor. Maine 04401 Website: http://www.bangormaine.gov/police</p>	<p>Whether a person has experienced a medical emergency such as an overdose or they've been charged with a drug-related offense, law enforcement officers intervene in the immediate crisis. Often, they are the first and only responders in these situations. However, law enforcement officers lack dedicated time and specialized training to adequately address the needs of those suffering with substance use disorders. Additionally, these persons may not present in other social service settings, thus their law enforcement contact may be the only link to resources. Traditional law enforcement interventions have been proven ineffective in solving the root causes of these problems or influencing behavior change for persons with substance use disorders. Thus there is a need for additional strategies for those with presumed substance use disorder beyond traditional policing to reduce rates of substance use and related problems in the community. The City of Bangor seeks to address this problem by providing case management services for those who come into contact with law enforcement and who have a presumed substance use disorder. Training for patrol officers will also be a key element of this program.</p> <p>The City of Bangor will establish a Substance Abuse Assistance Program that will embed a substance abuse case manager within the Bangor Police Department to facilitate pathways to services for persons with presumed substance use disorder who come into contact with law enforcement. The substance abuse case manager will also provide training to patrol officers. The City of Bangor will subcontract with Acadia Hospital to employ and supervise this position. Services (both assistance with persons with presumed substance use disorder as well as officer training) will also be extended to other law enforcement agencies in the region. The Bangor Police Department has a long-standing history of sharing specialized services with other agencies who lack the capacity/scale to house such services.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SA-07-16 \$ 121,502.00</p>
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