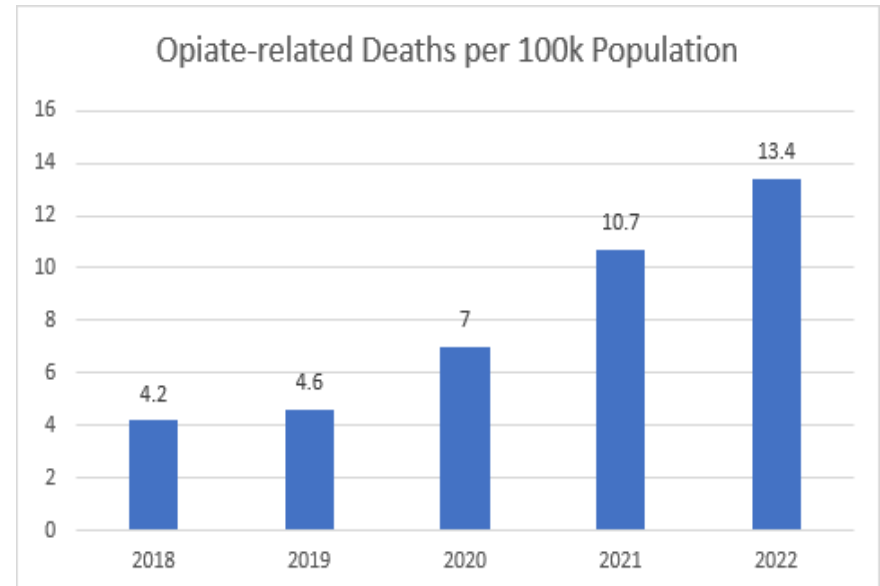
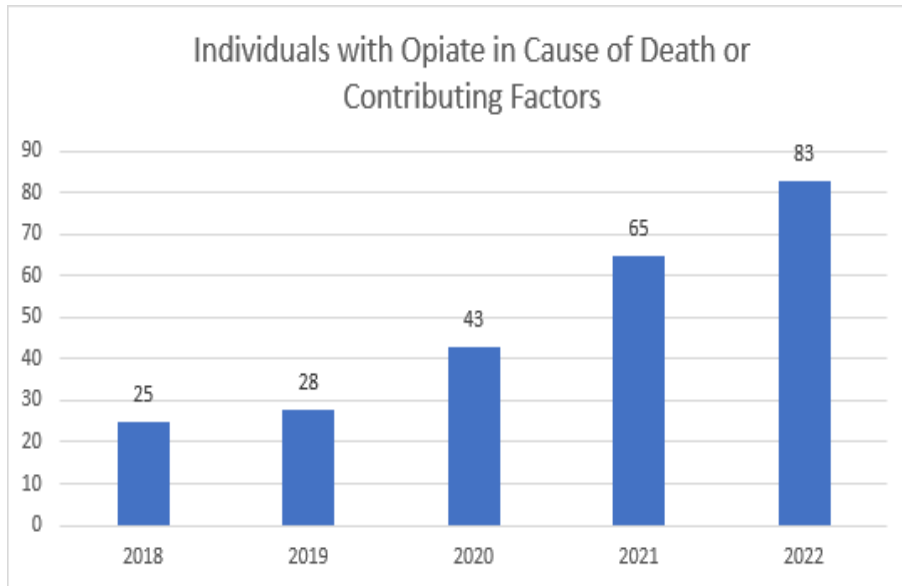


Johnson County Opioid Settlement Funds

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Opioid Settlement Timeline

- 2019 BOCC authorized the retention of a special counsel to file a lawsuit to recover damages sustained by Johnson County
- 2021 Kansas Legislature enacted the Kansas Fights Addiction Act
- 2021 BOCC joined into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Kansas AG, the League of Municipalities, and the Kansas Association of Counties establishing the framework and formula for the distribution of settlement funds received from the opioid litigation to the State of Kansas, counties, and cities.

Opioid Funds

- Current estimate is that Johnson County will receive \$10.1 Million over 17 years
 - Received \$1,385,092.15 in 2023
- Allocations will be received annually in December

Opioid Remediation Uses - Core Strategies

- Naloxone or Other FDA-Approved Drug to Reverse Opioid Overdoses
- Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) Distribution and Other Opioid Treatment
- Pregnant & Postpartum Women
- Expanding Treatment for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)
- Expansion of Warm Hand-Off Programs and Recovery Services
- Treatment for Incarcerated Population
- Prevention Programs
- Expanding Syringe Service Programs
- Evidence-Based Data Collection and Research



- Formed in 2022 and meets monthly
- Diverse membership across multiple sectors
 - 140 members on the mailing list
- Five workgroups driving initiatives: root causes, education/prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery supports

What is the Substance Use Continuum of Care Fund (SUF)?

SUF is an annual, competitive grant review process awarding alcohol tax and opioid settlement funds to agencies that provide evidence-based and best practice programs in substance use education, prevention, intervention, treatment, recovery, and reintegration for Johnson County residents.

- Supported by UCS since inception in 1980 (called Alcohol Tax Fund from 1980-2023).
- 11 jurisdictions, including Johnson County government, provide funding.
- The **Drug and Alcoholism Council**, a voluntary advisory council, with a deep well of expertise in education, law enforcement, the legal system, and behavioral and medical health, makes funding recommendations.
- SUF priorities are rooted in the 2023-28 needs assessment identifying strengths, gaps, and needs in the Johnson County substance use continuum of care.
- Grantees meet at least quarterly to collaborate in providing care and using best practices.

Recommendations

- Smoothing of total anticipated settlement
 - \$10.1M / 17 years = \$600,000 annually
- Appropriation Recommendation
 - \$100,000 annually to the JoCo Recovery and Prevention Coalition to forward their efforts
 - \$100,000 annually to UCS to fund grant opportunities in the region
- Open special budget process for allocation of the FY 2023/2024 remaining allocation
- Moving forward will be programmed as part of annual budget process

Requested Direction

1. Appropriation recommendation to Johnson County Recovery and Prevention Coalition of \$100,000 annually
2. Appropriation recommendation to UCS for the Substance Use Continuum of Care Fund (SUF) of \$100,000 annually
3. Special off-cycle budget process for 2023/2024