

# OPIOID STEERING COMMITTEE

**Location:** EOC  
**Date:** 1/13/2025  
**Time:** 2:00 PM  
**Co-Chair:** Amy Bowles  
**CO-Chair:** Anne Lindseth

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## Agenda items

1. Meeting called to order at 2:05 pm
  - a. In attendance: Amy Bowles, Amanda Sachau, Joe Kleszyk, Jenny Vance, Melinda Broden, Sheriff Jason Riggs, Anne Lindseth, David Lazella, Joe Kleszyk, ,
  - b. Absent: Commissioner Tim Sumner, David Hanson, Dr. Joseph Corser, Selena Beasley, Joe Beaudreau, Carissa Golden, Jennifer Greenleaf, Jeff Lind, David Hanson
  - c. Guests: None
2. Welcome and Updates
  - a. Reviewed Mission Statement and Committee Guidelines
  - b. Budget updates
    - (a) Anne's Report – 2024 year review
    - (b) Funding Hope – Started Campaign, only one organization has responded.
3. Action Items
  - a. Committee Next Steps – Released RFP for 2025.
    - (a) Q&A Virtually February 3, 2025
    - (b) Next RFP to be submitted by February 28, 2025
4. Next meetings –
  - a. Next Full group (17 members) meeting March 10, 2025
  - b. Next County meeting February 10, 2025

Action items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
Present at CHB	Amy	7/18/23	Complete, moved to BC Board Meetings
Application for SC	Amy	7/20/23	Sent to team for review
Advertise	Committee	7/20/23	See Spread sheet
Review Applications	Committee	8/14/23	Present at meeting
Review Financials	Committee	8/14/23	Presentation by Amy and Josh
Contact Chosen Applicants	Amy	9/11/23	2 <sup>nd</sup> round, community members
Present Allocation of Funds to BC Board	Amy	9/5/23	Submit work bill for work session
Update in County Newsletter	Amy	TBD – Will submit each quarter as requested	Sent to Diane 8/16/23
Posting of Meeting Minutes	Amy	TBD – Working with Diane	Delay due to new website
Opioid Summit	Committee	Red Lake hosted Twice	Several Committee Members Attended
Community Learning Sessions	Committee	10/24 and 10/30	Beltrami Electric and Black Duck Golf Course
BC Board Presentation	Amy	9/18/23	Committee members and approval of allocation of funds
Review Community Input from Learning Session	Committee	11/13/23	Continue in 2024

Creation and Release of RFP	Committee	1/17/24	Amy will present to board 1/16/24
Review RFP	Committee	3/11/24	Amy to send final RFP and RFP applications to all board members by 3/1/24
Present RFP funding to Board	Amy	4/16/24	Amy to present which applicants will receive funding at 4/16/24 county board meeting
Draft, approval, signed Contracts	Amy, David, Awardees	7/2/24 Board meeting	Go live 7/2/2024
2024 Community Listening Sessions	Steering Committee	October, see August meeting minutes	Schedule for October 15, 2024 – available to public on website to read and listen
Invite Awardees to Committee Meetings	Amy, Committee	Begin November 2024	Attended 10/18/2024
Create a Community Resource page on Opioid Website	Amanda, Joe, Jenny V	September 2024, Completed	Working with CRC and Diane -
SUD Campaign (see below)	Committee	Ongoing	In progress. Started handing out educational material for Proof Alliance and Suicide Prevention
Kind – or – Hope bags “Funding Hope”	Committee – Mindy, Joe K, Jenny V	Started 10/8/2024	Sub-group to present ideas at November meeting
Creating Committee Name	Committee	TBD “Funding Hope”	Bringing more awareness to the community
Release Second RFP	Committee	11/14/24 Review, revisions	Publish 1/6/2025 See attached

Updated and Revise Committee Guidelines	Committee	November/December 2024	Submit to board – Amy 12/17/24
Revise words in hands logo	Amy	November 2024	Completed and sent to committee for approval
Funding Hope Advertising	Amy	Until funding spent	See attached flier



## NEWS RELEASE

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 3, 2025**  
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### **Beltrami County Opioid Steering Committee Grants Available**

Bemidji, MN – The Beltrami County Opioid Steering Committee and the Beltrami County Board of Commissioners invites community partners to submit a request for grant funding through the opioid settlement. The second-round competitive grant has an estimated \$70,000 available. Approved uses of the remediation funds include treating opioid use disorders, preventing misuse of opioids, support those in treatment and recovery and other opioid related harm reduction activity.

The Request For Proposals (RFP) and application are available on the Beltrami County website. Applications are due February 28, 2025 at 12:00PM noon. There is an opportunity for applicants to learn more about the application and committee priorities being held virtually on Monday, February 3 at 3:00PM. To access the virtual meeting or for additional information, please contact Public Health Director Amy Bowles.

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# WE **FUND HOPE**

Funding is **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE** Until it is Gone

## Examples of Supplies That May Be Purchased:

Hand Warmers

Boot Warmers

Socks

Flashlights

**Got Questions? Reach out to Amy Bowles at  
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\*Funding is not for Safe Use kits