

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-837

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Salem

Date of Introduction: October 22, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 21, 2024

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$301,038.70 from the designated Opioid Settlement Fund Investment Pool Earnings to the Opioid Settlement Fund – Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations account.

Background Information: The city of Jacksonville was affected by the opioid epidemic in many ways, and the City participated in litigation against manufacturers and distributors of prescription opioids and the defendants agreed to payment of certain proceeds in settlement of the various claims that will be distributed over multiple years as part of a global settlement. The Opioid and Substance Use Disorder (OSUD) Grants Committee was established to advise, review, evaluate, and score grant applications to fund projects and programs aimed at combatting the opioid crisis. Funding for Opioid Settlement Proceeds Grants come from Opioid Settlement Proceeds deposited in the Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Fund.

The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds for Opioid and Substance Use Disorder (OSUD) Grants to be awarded to qualified requesting agencies in Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Section 84.301, *Ordinance Code* requires that 70% of Opioid Settlement Proceeds deposited in the Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Fund during the immediately preceding calendar year shall be included in the Mayor's annual budget to fund OSUD Grants in the upcoming fiscal year. The funds appropriated in this bill comprise 70% of the total interest collected on all Opioid Settlement Proceeds dollars deposited in the Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Fund through September 30, 2024.

Policy Impact Area: Opioid Settlement Fund

Fiscal Impact: Appropriation of \$301,038.70

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