## **NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENTS**

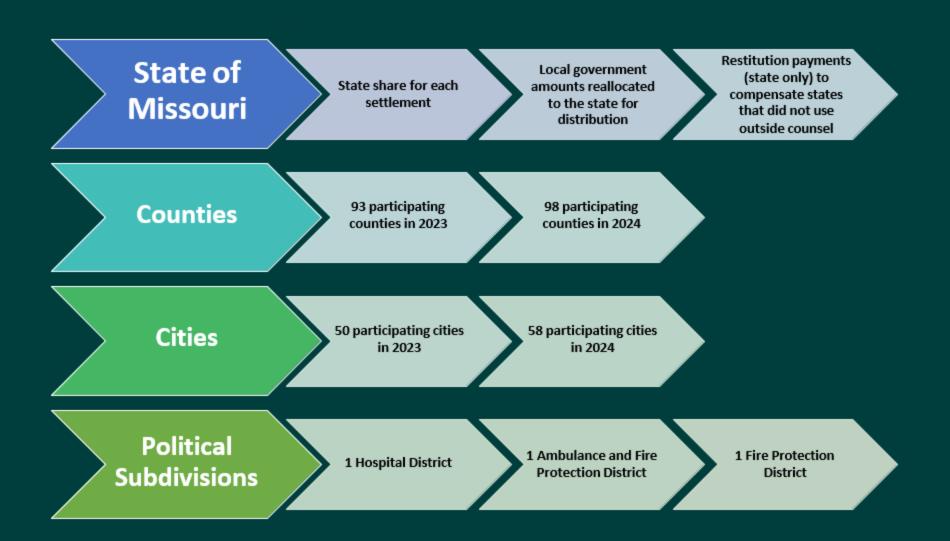
## **BRIEF BACKGROUND**

The opioid epidemic has taken an enormous toll on individuals and communities across the nation. More than 24,600 Missourians have lost their lives due to an overdose during the past 20 years. In 2023, 1,948 Missourians died from an overdose; more than 70% of these overdose deaths involved opioids.

Every state in the United States, including Missouri, sued one or more companies that allegedly contributed to the opioid crisis. Many counties, municipalities, and other political subdivisions also sued. A bipartisan committee of state attorneys general has negotiated, and continues to negotiate, national settlements. These settlements only bind political subdivisions that agree to join, and the more subdivisions that join, the more money the state as a whole receives. Missouri and its subdivisions could receive \$900 million over 18 years if full settlement participation is achieved. This funding will provide the state with desperately needed resources for opioid abatement and treatment.

In 2020, the Missouri General Assembly established the Opioid Addiction Treatment and Recovery Fund to receive settlement payments received by the State of Missouri. In 2021, the state received its initial settlement payment. As of May 2025, settlements continue to be negotiated and finalized by the state and its political subdivisions.

## **SUMMARY OF MISSOURI RECIPIENTS**



# STATUS OF SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS May 1, 2025

Missouri has received payments from the following settlements:

Allergan

**CVS Pharmacy** 

**Distributors** 

**Endo Pharmaceuticals** 

Janssen

Mallinckrodt

**McKinsey & Company** 

**Publicis Health** 

Teva

Walgreens

Walmart

Missouri has reached agreement with the following company, and settlement payments are expected to begin in 2025:

Kroger

Missouri is party to the following pending bankruptcy settlement:

**Purdue** 

## WHAT CAN SETTLEMENT FUNDS BE USED FOR?

Source – Exhibit E, ScheduleB, NationalSettlementAgreements

### **TREATMENT**

**Treat Opioid Use Disorder** 

Support people in treatment & recovery

Connect people with the help they need

Address the needs of criminal justice-involved persons

Address the needs of pregnant or parenting women and their families, including babies with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome

### **PREVENTION**

Prevent overdose deaths and increase access to harm reduction services

Prevent over-prescribing and ensure appropriate prescribing/dispensing of opioids

Prevent misuse of opioids

### OTHER OPIOID ABATEMENT STRATEGIES

**First Responders** 

Leadership, planning, and coordination

**Training** 

Research