

Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Application for Awards for Cooperative Projects Involving Cities and Counties

1. Contact Information

This application is for cooperative projects consisting of a cooperative partnership between at least two cities and/or counties within the same [Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services \(DBHDS\)](#) region.

Complete this table for all cities and/or counties involved in the cooperative partnership.

Name of City/County	Contact Person	Mailing Address	Phone #	Email
City of Chesapeake	Wanda Barnard-Bailey, PhD, LCSW	306 Cedar Road Chesapeake, VA 23322	(757) 382-6605	wbailey@cityofchesapeake.net
City of Virginia Beach	Andrew Damon	1 Municipal Ctr # 234 Virginia Beach, VA 23456	(757) 756-7662	adamon@vbgov.com

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2. Fiscal Agent

- a. One of the participating cities or counties must serve as the fiscal agent for the cooperative project. The fiscal agent will be responsible to ensuring compliance with both financial and programmatic reporting requirements on behalf of the cooperative partnership.
- b. City/County Serving as Fiscal Agent Chesapeake city county
- c. Physical address: 306 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA 23322
- d. Mailing address: 306 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA 23322
(if different than physical address)
- e. Contact Person for this application
- i. Name: Wanda Barnard-Bailey, PhD, LCSW
- ii. Job Title: Deputy City Manager, City of Chesapeake
- iii. Office Phone: (757) 382-6605 Cell Phone: (757) 560-2534
- iv. Email: wbailey@cityofchesapeake.net


3. Agreements

- a. Attach a copy of the cooperative partnership agreement between the participating cities and/or counties for the project. The agreement should also designate the city or county selected as fiscal agent for the cooperative project. A SAMPLE agreement is available [here](#).
- i. If any participating city and/or county elects to allocate a portion of its Individual Distribution from the OAA to this regional project, the Cooperative Partnership Agreement should clearly document the commitment and amount.

4. Signature

Signature section must be completed by a person designated with signatory authority in the MOU/MOA noted in Part 3.a of this application.

"I swear or affirm that all information contained in and attached to this application is true to the best of my knowledge."

Signature 

Print Name Christopher M. Price

Title City Manager

Date 5/5/23

5. Project Proposal

Complete the information below for the project the cooperative partnership is requesting to be funded.

a. Is this project:

A new effort for the participating cities/counties.

A proposed supplement or enhancement to a project or effort that is already in place.

How long has the project existed? _____

A combination of enhancing an existing project/effort with new components.

How long has the project existed? _____

b. Provide a brief narrative description of the proposed project including the requested term (1-5 years).

We are asking the OAA to award a grant for the purpose of establishing a Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program (CPEP) and acute, inpatient behavioral health unit consisting of 20 beds. Both would support evidence-based withdrawal management services for people with opioid use disorder (OUD) and any co-occurring mental health conditions. These services would be provided through a partnership with Chesapeake Regional Healthcare (CRH). Neither a CPEP or inpatient psychiatric unit currently exist in the city. The total time necessary to construct and implement both services is 18-24 months. Grant funding would provide the final funding needed to begin construction of both units. CRH would assume all ongoing operational costs associated with the newly introduced services.

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c. Describe the objectives of this project

1. Funding from this grant will create a streamlined, bi-directional point of access to opioid use disorder (OUD) treatment.
2. The new service lines will provide a safe and therapeutic setting to conduct a clinical assessment of community members to determine if they have OUD or any co-occurring mental illness.
3. Both the Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program (CPEP) and inpatient behavioral health unit will provide evidence-based treatment platforms for those patients determined to have OUD and any co-occurring mental illness.
4. For those who do not require extended observation or inpatient admission, our program will provide MAT (medication assisted treatment) and connect the individual to least restrictive community resources including individual therapy, support groups, or clinics who provide longterm MAT.

d. How was the need determined and how does that need relate to abatement?

Research indicates that co-occurring substance use and mental disorders are common among adults with opioid use disorder (OUD). Individuals who need medication assisted treatment (MAT) for OUD and any co-occurring mental illness have limited options to turn to in the city. Further, when citizens seek treatment, current options prohibit timely execution of appropriate treatment. The City of Chesapeake, the Commonwealth's second most populous city, currently only provides outpatient based services. Chesapeake Regional Healthcare (CRH) currently offers the Prevention and Recovery from Opioid Use Disorder (PROUD) program, which connects individuals to these outpatient based services. This July, Chesapeake Integrated Behavioral Health (CIBH) plans to open a crisis receiving center, a 23 hour observation unit appropriate for lower acuity patients. However, the need for hospital-based emergency psychiatric care is critical for higher acuity patients. Inpatient psychiatric beds will provide additional treatment options for those with the severest needs. Without these critical services, these individuals are at risk of overdose. Approximately 20 or more overdoses are treated at CRH monthly.

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- e. Who are the targeted beneficiaries, and how many persons are expected to participate per year?

Within our region, nearly 400 people die annually from opioid overdose, accounting for 15.9% of the state's opioid overdose deaths. Fifty five of those are citizens of Chesapeake. Across the state, opioid overdoses have increased by 16.4% over the past year. Targeted beneficiaries will include individuals with opioid use disorder (OUD) and any co-occurring mental illness. An aggressive public awareness campaign will be part of educating the community of the new OUD treatment options within the city.

- f. Briefly describe (name or organization, description of role, budget, etc.) the organization(s), including any sub-recipients or contractors (if known) that will be involved in this project. Attach any contracts and/or memoranda of understanding/agreement. If not fully executed, a draft or a narrative describing the scope of services may suffice.

The Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program (CPEP) and inpatient behavioral health unit will be located inside Chesapeake Regional Medical Center (CRMC). CRMC is a non-state-owned, public hospital. It does not receive appropriated funds from the Commonwealth's General Fund, so to establish new service lines, it must rely on profits from revenue generated by the care it provides to those who seek it. The design of both units will be done by PF&A, a renowned architect that specializes in state of the art treatment environments in the healthcare sector. Locally, they were the designers of the new CHKD behavioral health tower.

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g. Is the project classified as evidence-based?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

h. Is the project classified as evidence-informed?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

i. Has this project been certified or credentialed by a state/federal government agency, or other organization/non-profit?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

j. Has this project received any awards or recognition?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

k. Does this project have components other than opioid-related treatment as defined?

No, it is 100% related to opioid treatment

Yes, there are other substances involved

If yes, what is the approximate percentage of the project that covers opioid-related abatement (i.e., 20% of the patients who seek services have opioid-related disorders)?

It is anticipated that an unknown number (percentage) of people will present with opioid use disorder (OUD). Currently, approximately 20% of mental health patients experience OUD. Implementing these services is critical for improving morbidity and mortality outcomes among individuals with OUD.

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- l. Attach a budget for that minimally includes FY2024 with line-item details for the project. If carry-over of OAA funds from FY2024 into FY2025 is expected, include this in the line-item budget. If there is intention to renew the funding (maximum of 4 renewals), include the projected budget for each subsequent fiscal year.
 - i. If a city or county in the cooperative partnership is allocating any of its Direct Distributions and/or any of its Individual Distributions from the OAA to this cooperative project, include line items for each as funding sources for the project.
- m. Complete and attach the [project timeline workbook](#) for the project minimally for FY2024. If there is intention to renew the funding (maximum of 4 renewals), complete the timeline for each subsequent fiscal year.
- n. Complete and attach the [performance measurement workbook](#) for the project minimally for FY2024. If there is intention to renew the funding (maximum of 4 renewals), include the complete the performance measures for each subsequent fiscal year.
- o. *(Optional)* Attach any additional narrative materials explaining the project, along with any research, data, plans, letters of support, articles, or other items that may assist the OAA Board of Directors in making an award decision for this project.

23-R-018

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE PARTNERSHIP GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH TO THE VIRGINIA OPIOID ABATEMENT AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, the mission of the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) is to abate and remediate the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth through financial support in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance; and

WHEREAS, the OAA operates a financial assistance program to support certain cooperative partnerships of cities and/or counties in Virginia that implement regional efforts to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid use disorder and the misuse of opioids; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Chesapeake and Virginia Beach have committed to work together to develop and jointly submit an application for regional cooperative partnership funding from the OAA; and

WHEREAS, both cities are located within Region 5 of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Chesapeake and Virginia Beach agree they will execute a legally binding agreement formalizing the cooperating partnership if the application for financial assistance is approved; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Chesapeake and Virginia Beach agree that Chesapeake will serve as the fiscal agent for the cooperative partnership if it is awarded; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Chesapeake and Virginia Beach seek a total of \$3,000,000 in grant funding from the OAA for Fiscal Year 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Chesapeake, Virginia, that the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute the cooperative partnership

grant application to the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority and to execute all documents, in a form approved by the City Attorney, in connection therewith.

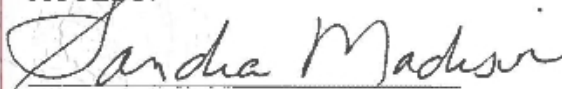
ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Chesapeake, Virginia, this 25th day of April, 2023.

APPROVED:



Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Acting City Attorney

REQUESTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

1 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY
2 MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH
3 THE LOCALITIES OF REGION 5 FOR PURPOSES OF
4 OBTAINING GRANT FUNDING FROM THE VIRGINIA
5 OPIOID ABATEMENT AUTHORITY
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7 WHEREAS, the mission of the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) is to
8 abate and remediate the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth through financial support
9 in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance;
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11 WHEREAS, the OAA operates a financial assistance program to support strategies
12 of cities and counties in Virginia that implement efforts to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid
13 use disorder and the misuse of opioids;
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15 WHEREAS, the City of Virginia Beach is committed to work together to develop
16 strategies and pursue funding from the OAA to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid use
17 disorder and the misuse of opioids; and
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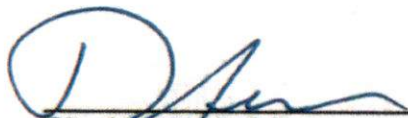
19 WHEREAS, the City is located within Region 5 of the Department of Behavioral
20 Health and Developmental Services;
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22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
23 OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA, THAT:
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25 The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute agreements with localities and
26 stakeholders in Region 5 to pursue grant funding from the Virginia Opioid Abatement
27 Authority and to execute all documents in connection therewith provided such documents
28 have been approved for legal sufficiency by the Office of the City Attorney.

 Adopted by the Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, on the 2nd day of
May, 2023.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



City Attorney's Office

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April 25, 2023

Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Chesapeake/Virginia Beach Cooperative Agreement

WHEREAS, the mission of the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) is to abate and remediate the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth through financial support in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance; and

WHEREAS, the OAA operates a financial assistance program to support certain cooperative partnerships of cities and/or counties in Virginia that implement regional efforts to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid use disorder and the misuse of opioids; and

WHEREAS, the cities listed below have committed to work together to develop and jointly submit an application for regional cooperative partnership funding from the OAA; and

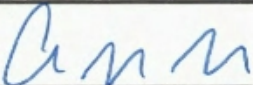

WHEREAS, the cities listed below are located within the same region of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; and

WHEREAS, the cities listed below agree they will execute a legally binding agreement formalizing the cooperating partnership if the application for financial assistance is approved; and

WHEREAS, the cities listed below agree that the City of Chesapeake will serve as the fiscal agent for the cooperative partnership if it is awarded; and

WHEREAS, the cities listed below seek a total of \$3,000,000 in grant funding from the OAA for Fiscal Year 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the cities listed below hereby authorize the City of Chesapeake to execute the cooperative partnership grant application to the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority and to execute all documents in connection therewith.

Name of City, County, or Organization	Printed Name of Authorized Signor	Title of Authorized Signor	Signature
City of Chesapeake	Christopher M. Price	City Manager	
City of Virginia Beach	Patrick A. Duhaney	City Manager	

May 5, 2023

Mr. Anthony E. "Tony" McDowell, Executive Director
Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority
701 East Franklin Street, Suite 803
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Mr. Tony McDowell,

The City of Chesapeake has entered into a cooperative partnership with the City of Virginia Beach to apply for a grant from the Opioid Abatement Authority. The purpose is to establish a Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program (CPEP) and Acute, Inpatient behavioral health unit consisting of 20 beds. Both would support evidence-based withdrawal management services for people with OUD and any co-occurring mental health conditions. This project will assist with needed demands and strains that have overwhelmed law enforcement and the behavioral health system. Our goal is to ensure our citizens receive the best care as well as to reduce the burden of our police officers when a TDO is necessary.

In order to meet the requirements set forth by the Opioid Abatement Authority the City of Chesapeake agrees to serve as the fiscal agent, support the implementation of the plan developed using the grant funds, and contribute funding to project.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Wanda Barnard-Bailey, Deputy City Manager at WBailey@CityofChesapeake.net or 757-382-6605.

Sincerely,



Christopher M. Price
City Manager
City of Chesapeake

CC: Edwin Gonzalez, Chesapeake Integrated Behavioral Health Executive Director
Dr. Wanda Barnard-Bailey, Deputy City Manager