

Opioid Settlement Updates

FY 2025 Funding Plan

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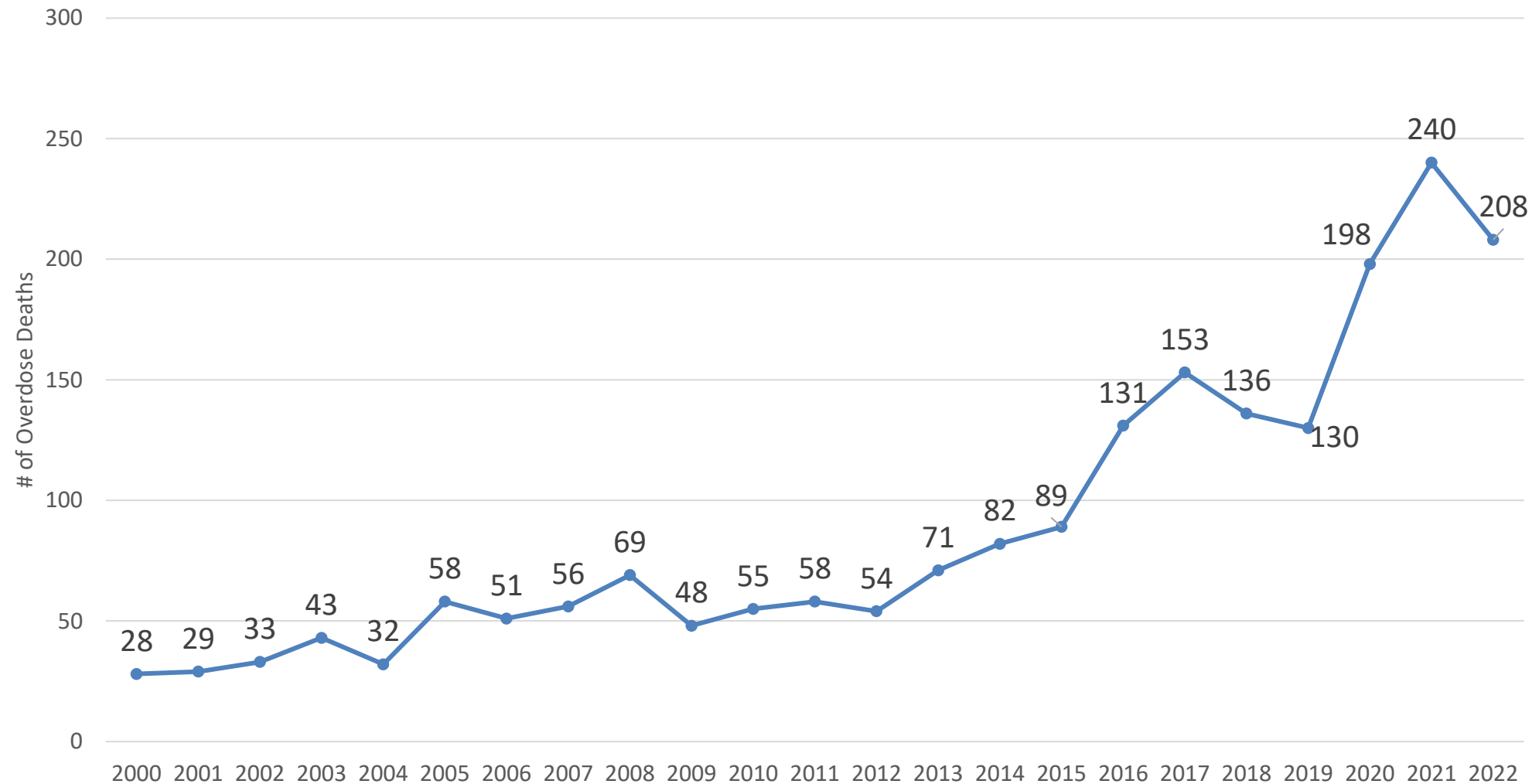
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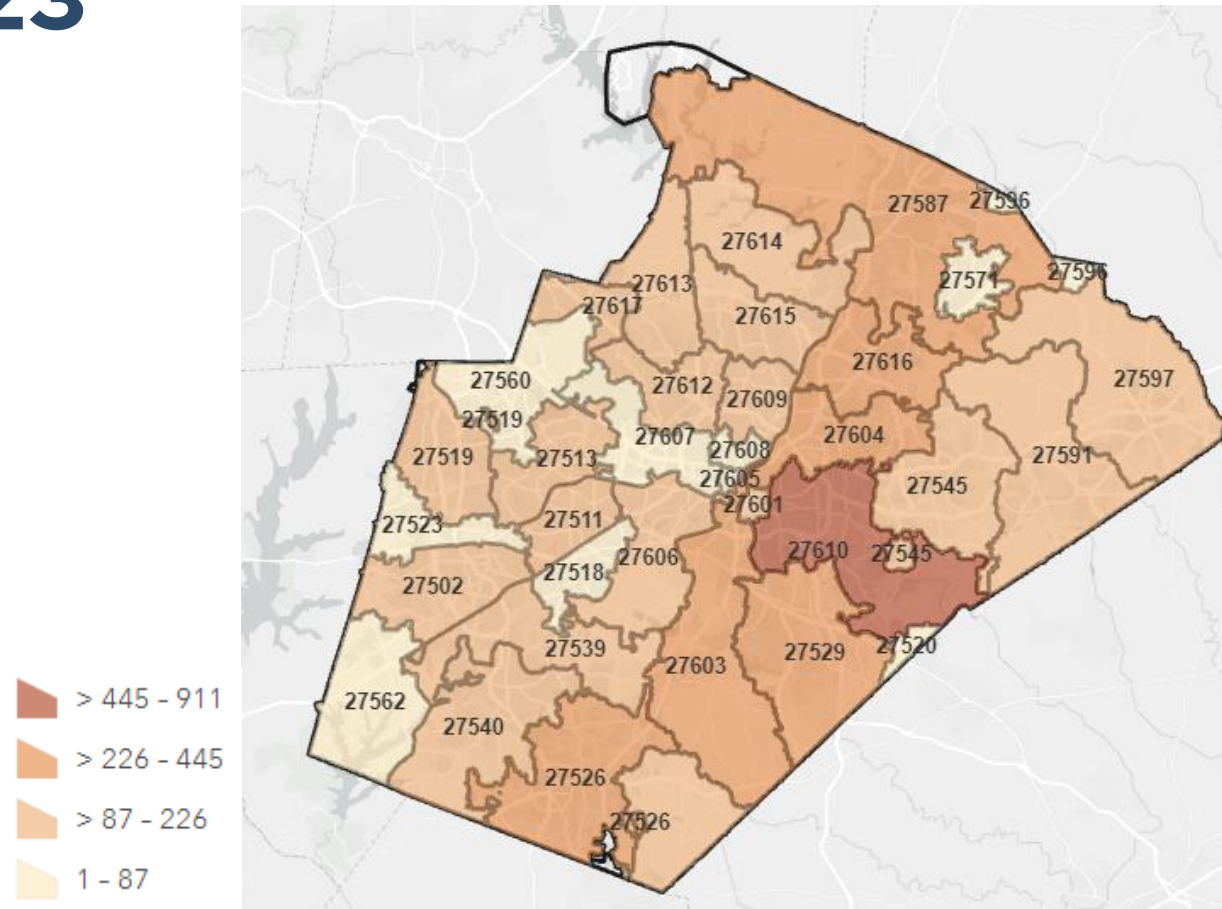
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Overdose Deaths in Wake County, 2000-2022



Overdose Emergency Department (ED) Visits by Patient Residential Zip Code, Wake County, 2019-2023



NC Opioid Settlements

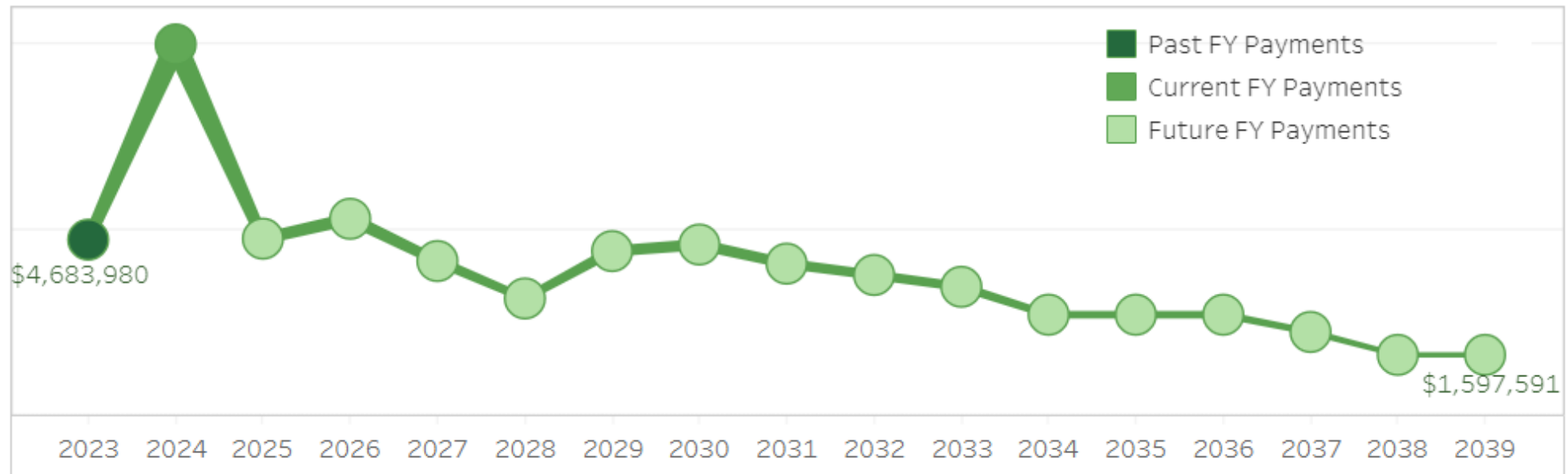
- Nationwide settlements have been reached to resolve all Opioid litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions against the three largest pharmaceutical distributors and manufacturer.
 - Funds began flowing to states in April 2022.
 - Wake County agreed to the settlement in November 2021 and the Memorandum of Agreement that establishes the terms for oversight and the use of the settlement funds in NC.
- Commissioners will be asked to approve the Wake County Opioid Settlement Funding Plan for FY 2025 at the April 15 Board meeting.
 - Builds off the FY2023-2024 Plan and existing work underway in Wake.

Funding to Wake County

18 Year Payment to **Wake** during 2022-2038:

\$65,334,157

Payments Over Time - Wake



Plan Principles

- Prevent additional lives lost to the overdose crisis.
- Develop an iterative process that is responsive to what we hear from the community and the changing nature of this crisis.
- Ensure all parts of Wake County have access to these resources and investments do not worsen disparities.
- Let data drive decision making.
- Focus investments based upon their potential impact and measurable outcomes.
- Complement and enhance existing programs while avoiding unnecessary duplication of effort.

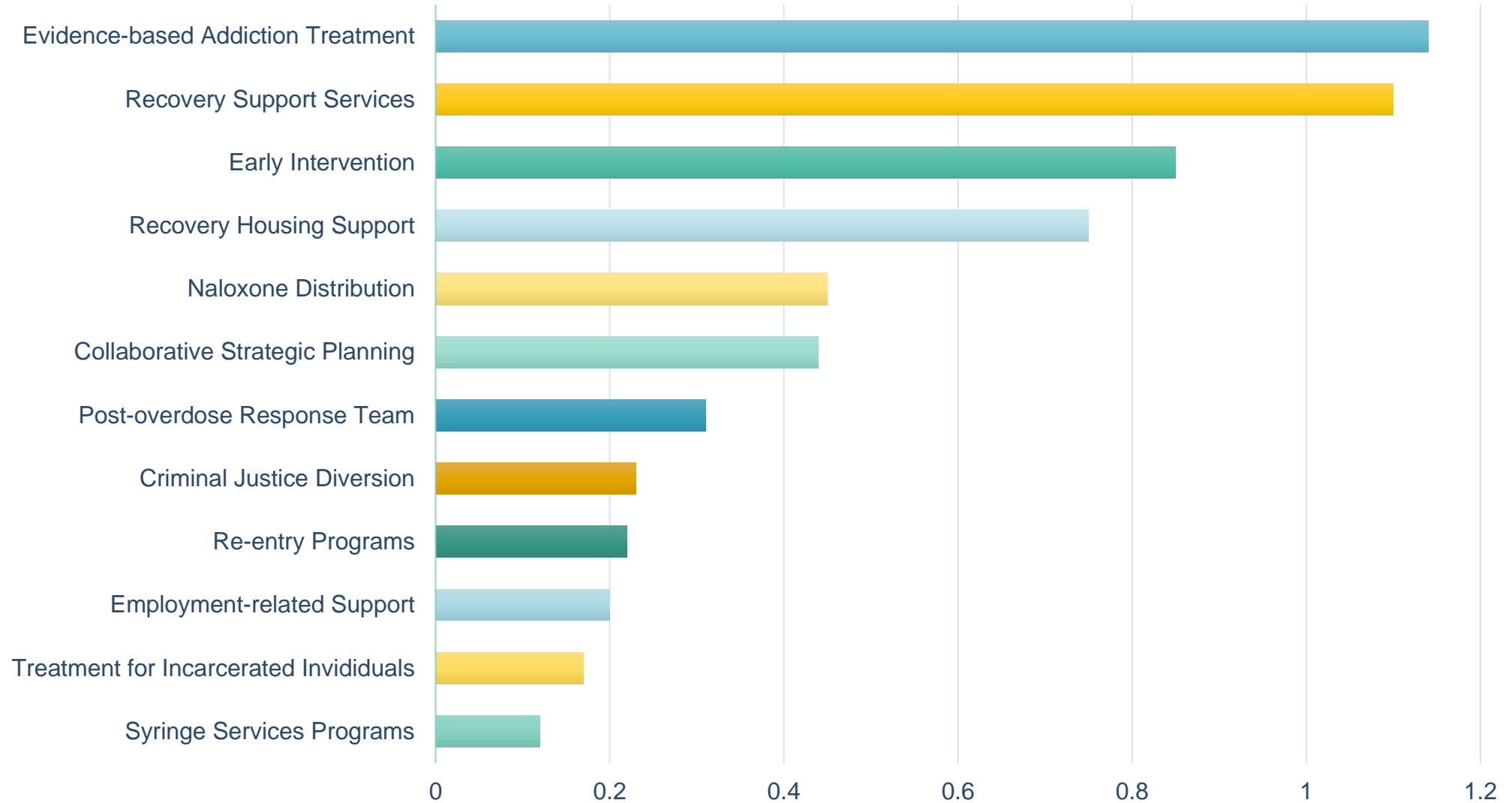
Community Input Guides Plan Development

Wake County hosted the Opioid Settlement Community Meeting on March 15, 2024, at the McKimmon Center.

- Over 150 individuals participated in person and virtually.



Community Survey Results (weighted)



FY2025 Opioid Settlement Plan

The plan recommends allocating \$7.5 million over FY 2025 to support the following strategies supporting a full continuum of approaches:

- Expanding treatment access
- Preventing overdose deaths
- Supporting youth and families
- Strengthening access for Historically Marginalized Populations
- Addressing the needs of the whole-person
- Engaging the community throughout the process

Upcoming April 15 Board Actions

Approve FY25 Funding Plan

- Approve the FY 2025 funding plan that will guide spending.
 - Aligns with the strategies outlined in the NC Memorandum of Agreement.

Approve Funding Resolution

- Approve resolution created by the NC Department of Justice outlining direct expenditures of opioid settlement funds.
 - Consistent with the priorities in the Wake County Opioid Settlement Plan.
 - Provides clear authority on approved uses and alignment for reporting and accountability.

Accept and Appropriate \$7.5 million

- Accept and appropriate \$7.5 million from the NC Department of Justice's National Opioid Settlement into the Wake County Opioid Settlement Fund.