

Hartford Opioid Funds Grant Review Committee
Thursday, August 27, 2026, 7pm
Hartford Town Hall

Respectfully Submitted by Ida Griesemer, Committee Member and Selectboard Chair

Present at the meeting: Ella Harper-Schiehl, Charlotte Martin, Janet Sharkey Potter, Tim Fariel, Brian Lukowitz, Caitlin Sabins, Dottie Moffitt

Meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by Ida Griesemer.

No public comment.

Order of Agenda: Tim Fariel asked about whether grant proposals should be reviewed in Executive Session. The committee discussed the state-level requirement for discussion and decision of use of opioid funds to be conducted in public session.

Committee members discussed the applications and each presented 2-3 applications that they viewed as the strongest candidates for funding, based on the scoring metrics and committee members' professional and lived experience with the landscape of substance use service provision and prevention in Hartford.

The committee came to consensus on recommending the Selectboard allocate funds to four applicants (to be voted on in the 9/15/26 Selectboard meeting):

Applicant	Topic of application	Recommended Amount to be Awarded
Hartford Police Department	Mobile Outreach Office Vehicle	\$30,000
Hartford Community Coalition	Salary Support for Education and Projects Coordinator and Director of Development	\$40,000
Hartford Dismas House	Integrated Behavioral Health Support Initiative	\$25,000
The Family Place	Enhanced Staff Training and Services for Families Impacted by OUD	\$10,000
	<i>Total:</i>	\$105,000

The committee discussed plans to reconvene in February, 2027, to discuss recommendations for the second round of Opioid Fund Grants (application deadline: February 1, 2027).

A motion to adjourn was made by Tim Fariel, seconded by Janet Potter, all members voted in favor of the motion to adjourn at 8:36pm.