

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Opioid Settlement Fund reimbursements; the proposed Westlake Area Harm Reduction Drop-In Center; and a Request for Proposals for the delivery of community-based opioid remediation services.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. NOTE and FILE the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) report dated February 21, 2025, attached to Council file No. 23-0670-S2.
2. REQUEST the Mayor's Office of Community Safety; and, INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department and the Department on Disability (DOD), in coordination with the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to complete the necessary invoices and reporting requirements to ensure that substance use disorder services administered by these respective entities receive Opioid Settlement Fund reimbursement.
3. INSTRUCT the CLA to provide a progress report to Council in 90 days on the City/County partnership to establish the proposed Westlake Area Harm Reduction Drop-In Center.
4. APPROVE the following recommendations outlined in Option B contained in the CLA report dated June 20, 2025, attached to Council file No. 23-0670-S2:
 - a. Instruct the DOD to draft a Request for Proposals for the delivery of community-based opioid remediation in the following seven regions of the City: East Valley, West Valley, East, Central, Harbor, West and South Los Angeles.
 - b. Instruct the CAO to allocate \$2,100,000 in Opioid Settlement Funds to a new line item entitled "Opioid Remediation Program – Department of Disability" to support the delivery of opioid remediation services by community-based health organizations through a competitive bidding process, with a contract value of \$300,000 for each area.
 - c. Instruct the CAO, with the assistance of the DOD, to report on a staffing plan utilizing Opioid Settlement Funds for temporary As-Needed staff and/or contractual services to support the accounting, contract monitoring, data collection and reporting requirements associated with the program.
5. INSTRUCT the CLA to work with the Mayor's Office to report to Council on the outcomes/metrics from the Mayor's Opioid Program.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CLA states that there is no impact to the General Fund. The recommendations in this report pertain to Opioid Settlement funds. The Opioid Trust Fund currently has an appropriated balance of approximately \$22 million, of which \$7.9 million is encumbered for inpatient substance use disorder services for people experiencing homelessness (Council file No. 23-0670). Council also set-aside \$3 million for the Westlake Area Harm Reduction Services Drop-In Center, which is currently in development, leaving an available balance of approximately \$11,100,000. The City will continue to receive an estimated \$4 to \$5 million annually for the remainder of the Opioid Settlement payout period, which is approximately 18 years.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on July 30, 2025, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered CLA reports relative to Opioid Settlement Fund reimbursements; the proposed Westlake Area Harm

Reduction Drop-In Center; and a Request for Proposals for the delivery of community-based opioid remediation services.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee recommended to move forward the recommendations contained in the CLA report dated June 20, 2024, as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RAMAN:	YES
JURADO:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	ABSENT

LV 7.30.25

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