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RE: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services Meeting on Opioid Settlements

Rep. Christine Morse
Chair
House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
Room 352, Capitol Building
Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Chair Morse and Members of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services:

The Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) understands that the Subcommittee on Health and Human Services will hear presentations on opioid settlements. MAC has worked diligently to provide technical assistance and support to counties as they plan, and spend, their opioid settlement funds. MAC has created a [toolkit for local spending](#), [resource center](#), [resource library](#), local government learning community, and numerous other resources for use by local governments.

With great focus on transparency of where settlement funds are being used, this letter is intended to share about plans for local reporting. Early in 2023, MAC began work on a dashboard and local government survey to better understand readiness for spending of opioid settlement funds. MAC's Opioid Settlement Resource Center website houses the dashboard which provides an overview of the settlements with estimated funds by county, provision of technical assistance by county, as well as the data collected through the readiness assessment. Since January 2023, MAC has expressed to counties a plan to collect annual data on use of settlement funds for purposes of opioid remediation and intends to share data collected on the dashboard.

In June 2023, MAC was awarded a grant from Bloomberg Philanthropies to move forward with advocacy associated with incentivizing reporting at the local level and issued the following statement outlining their efforts:

MAC has been awarded funding by Bloomberg Philanthropies for purposes of advancing harm reduction advocacy programs in Michigan. MAC will partner with Public Sector Consultants and McCall Hamilton on this project. One major component of the grant is a partnership with McCall Hamilton to advocate for funding to incentivize reporting on settlement dollar spending on the local level across the state. MAC intends to release a voluntary annual survey to county governments to identify where opioid settlement funds are being used and this incentive would increase participation to ensure a broader picture of the impact of funds as well as increased public transparency through utilization of the MAC Opioid Settlement Dashboard. MAC is grateful to its partners and Bloomberg Philanthropies for this opportunity.



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MAC Opioid Settlement Dashboard:

MAC Opioid Settlement: Home Page

Funds provided are estimates and are subject to change

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Settlement Funds by Company for Michigan Counties

County
Ingham

Company	Estimated Amount
Walmart	\$869,389.41
Walgreens	\$1,669,425.74
Teva	\$1,160,635.26
J&J & Distributors	\$7,396,892
CVS	\$1,535,251.96
Allergan	\$691,451.24
Total	\$13,323,045.61

Michigan Opioid Settlements Overview

(hover over for more information)

Maximum Number of Payments by Company

(payment amounts will differ and may not be received annually)

MAC Opioid Settlement: Technical Assistance

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Technical Assistance Requests by Month

Map of MAC Technical Assistance Engagement

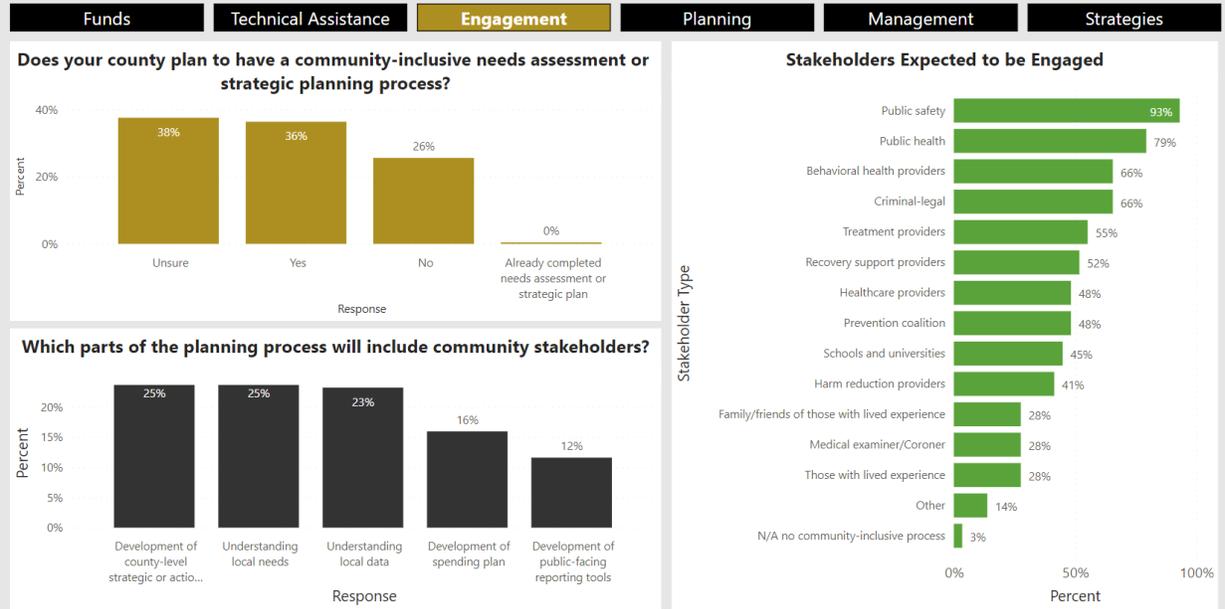
Engagement type ● Engaged ● Information Request ● None



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MAC Opioid Settlement: Stakeholder Engagement

Data captured from Opioid Settlement
 Baseline Assessment March/April 2023
 36% (30/83) of counties responded



MAC Opioid Settlement: Planning

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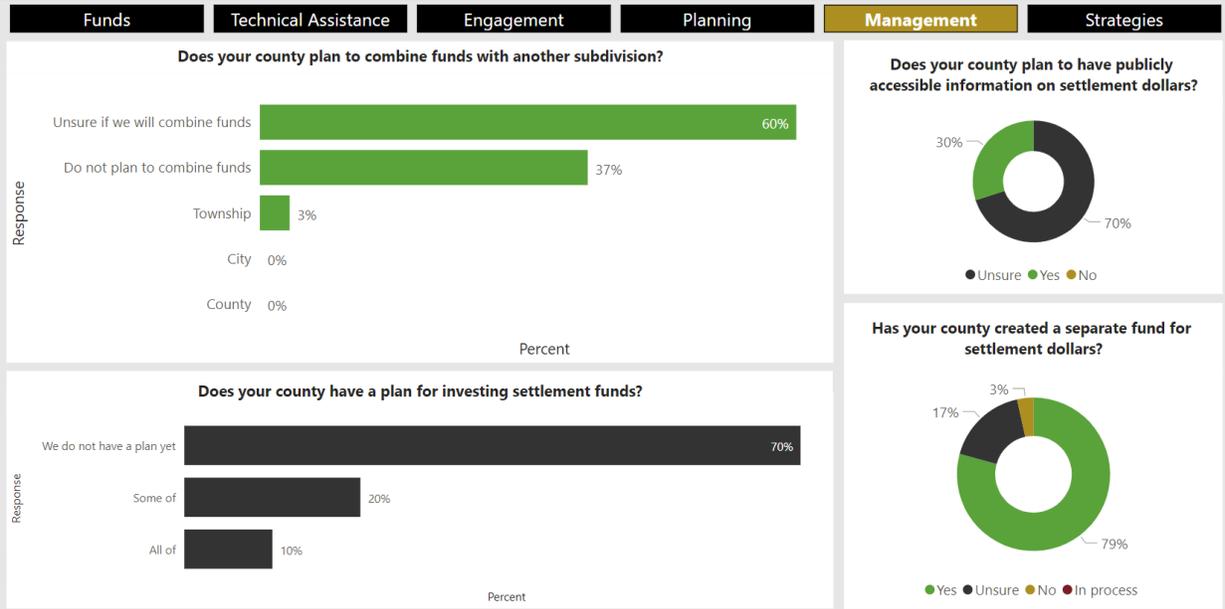




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MAC Opioid Settlement: Management of Funds

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MAC Opioid Settlement: Monitoring Investments

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