



**City of Dallas**

# **Dallas Fire Rescue Opioid Response Team**

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# Opioid Response Team



- Background
- Proposed Program
- Funding
- Implementation



# Background



- Opioid Problem
  - Nation
  - Local
- Best Practice Mitigation Efforts
  - Education Programs
  - Outreach Programs



# Background



## **FEDERAL:**

- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

## **STATE:**

- Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)
- Texas Targeted Opioid Response (TTOR)
- University of Texas – San Antonio (UTSA)

## **LOCAL:**

- Recovery Resource Council (RRC)
- North Texas Behavioral Health Authority (NTBHA)
  - Metrocare Services



# Proposed Program



## Specialized Two-Person Response Team

- One DFR Paramedic and One Peer Services Specialist from Recovery Resource Council
- Non-emergency response
- Connect patients to services to support treatment and recovery





# Proposed Program



- Target population is any individual within response area of DFR who has experienced and survived a drug-related overdose
- Clients are located through:
  - Previous Interactions
  - 911 dispatch information
  - Referrals from law enforcement
  - Recovery Resource Center
  - Other stakeholders / community sources



# Proposed Program



Available resources include:

- Inpatient/Outpatient Treatment Services
- Peer Supportive Services
- Medication Assisted Treatment programs



# Proposed Program



## Program Goals:

- Contact patients within 48-72 hours of opioid overdose
- 225 patient contacts per year
- Long term success is measured by a reduction in the occurrence of overdoses and overdose deaths within the City of Dallas





# Funding



Resource Recovery Council provides 100% reimbursement of all costs

- Materials / Supplies
- Training
- FTE's and Overtime
- Vehicle / Fuel



# Implementation



- Projected to bring to council later this year
- Operate 8 hours daily, Monday - Friday
- Schedule can be adjusted to maximize patient contact.





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Questions?