

Opioid Related Harm, Treatment & Prevention Grantees

September 2024

In partnership with the County of Santa Cruz Health Services Agency Behavioral Health Division, we are pleased to award the following organizations grants for the efforts toward prevention, early intervention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery of opioid related disorders and harm. A total of \$810,000 will be distributed in Fiscal Year 2024/2025, and these grantees will have a grant performance period through June 2026. We thank all who applied and we look forward to the meaningful impact these funds will make in our community.

Encompass Community Services - \$97,448

Encompass will administer the *Zero Overdose program*: a comprehensive overdose safety planning approach, and offer dedicated training for community-based organizations.

Santa Cruz Community Health (SCCH)- \$286,294

SCCH will continue to build the capacity of their three health centers to best assist with adolescent Opioid Use Disorder screening, prevention, treatment, and recovery and continue supporting the Substance Use Disorder Learning Collaborative.

Homeless Garden Project (HGP) - \$47,341

HGP will be *Developing Purpose and Community: Employment for People in Recovery from Opioid Addiction*.

Health Improvement Partnership of Santa Cruz County (HIPSCC) - \$218,917

HIPSCC will support their Adolescent and Young Adult Substance Use Disorder Learning Collaborative, their Medication Assisted Therapy Advisory Group, and add a Perinatal Subgroup. They're partnering with the Santa Cruz County Office of Education to support prevention, education and also providing training and technical assistance for community organizations.

Siena House - \$60,000

Siena House will expand residential and aftercare program capacity for women at risk of or experiencing Substance Abuse Disorders.

Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance (PVPSA) - \$50,000

PVPSA will put funding toward their Opioid Awareness Initiative, specifically the youth outreach and messaging work led by Empower Watsonville.

Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos (SCBU) - \$50,000

SCBU will support their youth-focused Opioid Treatment and Prevention Program, engaging with at-risk youth with weekly counseling, education, peer mentorship, and other resources.



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