

**Opioid Settlement Fund – Regional Abatement  
Frequently Asked Questions  
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- Q1. Does the money have to be spent in the year that it is disbursed?
- A1 No, the money does not expire, it can be spent over time.
- Q2. What are the amounts of future payments?
- A2 Refer to the settlements table on page 238 of the [Opioid Settlement Fund Advisory Board Report](#) from November 1, 2022. While the first-year disbursement is likely to be the largest one-time payment, the payments do continue over the next 16 years. This chart contains the settlements to date, there are still some lawsuits in process, the amounts are subject to change. The percentage the LGU is receiving in relationship to all LGU monies total is likely to remain consistent over time.
- Q3. When this year can LGUs expect payments?
- A3 Please fill out the Planned Use of Funds Request form that was emailed directly. Once completed and submitted, the Planned Use of Funds request form will be reviewed and approved. The LGU/City/Other Litigating Entity (i.e, towns, villages, etc.) will be notified by email that your funds have been processed and released at 100%.
- Q4. Moving forward, when can the regions expect monies to be disbursed annually?
- A4 Both the required annual reports on the use of funds due every 8/1 and a new Planned use of Funds request form will need to be submitted before any additional funds can be made available.
- Q5. For this year, and future years, what are the dates/timelines for receiving funds, and reporting funds?
- A5.1 Once an approved planned use of funds is received related to the FY 2023-2023 Opioid Settlement Fund Regional State Abatement funds for one of the large cities, LGUs or Litigating Entities, the allocated amounts will be provided to that entity at 100%.
- A5.2 Once there is a FY 2023-2024 Enacted Budget, the dollar amounts for the Subdivisions will be confirmed. OASAS will email the LGUs/Litigating Entities the allocated amounts of the regional share state abatement funds in the summer of 2023.

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- A5.3 Reporting on the FY 2022-2023 Opioid Settlement Fund Regional Share State Abatement funds are required to be submitted no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, in the OASAS web-based Formstack. This reporting mechanism has not been created yet, all entities receiving funds will be notified when reporting is available on year 1 funds. The process for planning 2024 dollars will take place after reports for 2023 have been received.
- Q6 How will the Other Litigating Entities (OLE) money be disbursed?
- A The OLE allocations will be sent directly to the LGU to be passed through to the named OLE. The OLE contact will be copied on the email that is sent to the LGU that identified that the OLE's amount has been sent to the LGU for disbursement to the OLE. The OLE will send an email to [OSFProjectManagement@oasas.ny.gov](mailto:OSFProjectManagement@oasas.ny.gov) mailbox to confirm receipt of funds.