

The purpose of this annual audit is to ensure compliance with ARORP requirements; to confirm appropriate progress in the opioid abatement project approved by ARORP, city and county officials, the ARORP Advisory Board, administrators of the Qualified Settlement Fund (QSF), the Association of Arkansas Counties, and the Arkansas Municipal League; and to verify proper stewardship of opioid settlement dollars.

Please produce all receipts requested. If you are not able to produce requested receipts, ARORP will request the funding returned within three business days of the audit or as otherwise specified. If you can produce the receipt or invoice within one business day of the ARORP audit, the request for returned funding may be waived.

## General Information:

Organization: Western Arkansas Counseling and Guidance Center (WACGC)

ARORP #: 23-036

Project Title: Five West Crisis Stabilization Unit Peer

Date of Audit: April 23, 2025

How many years has this project been active: 2

How many years remain: 0

Is this the project's final audit? YES

Attendees Present at Audit: Joseph Lee, Tye Brown, Graham Baty, Marla Kendrick, Rachel Abshere, Tenesha Barnes, Joy Spence

Counties Served: Sebastian

Total Funding Amount: \$78,555.00

# Annual Evaluation

# Milestones

Were all ARORP-issued milestones completed this year? **NO** (Funding will be returned for unmet milestones, specified below, which brings the project into compliance.)

# Notes:

- Specialist was not able to attend Moral Recognition Training due to scheduling conflicts.
- All funding for uncompleted milestones was returned, bringing the project into compliance. All other milestones were completed.

# Summary of Process Data:

### Recovery

Number of people receiving recovery services: Q1: 773, Q2: 549, Q3: 499, Q4: 320



Number of people in recovery for an opioid nexus: Q1: 124, Q2: 153, Q3: 141, Q4: 108 Number of people who found a job: 19 Number of people who found housing: 57 Number of people who received health insurance: 271 Number of people who received documentation: 8 Number of education classes: 90 Number of people connected with supportive services: 164 Number of mental health referrals: 479 Number of people who received court advocacy: Number of people who received court advocacy: Number of group recovery meetings: 27 Number of one-on-one peer meetings: 2,099

<u>Notes:</u> Peer noted that he did not count people served if they tested positive for opioids, which would have increased the amount of people served who had an opioid nexus. Peer noted that this would probably raise the numbers about 16%.

# **Financial Audit**

Which receipts were requested? ALL RECIEPTS

Were requested receipts presented within the requested time frame? YES

How much unused or misspent funding must be returned to the Arkansas Opioids Qualified Settlement Fund?

### Amount: \$ 4,969.38

Date funds were returned to the Arkansas Opioids Qualified Settlement Fund: 5/19/25

# **Project Compliance**

Following the annual evaluation, what was needed for this project to gain compliance ARORP requirements?

# Notes:

- Return funding in the amount of \$4,969.38.



Were all items listed above completed? **YES** Date program regained compliance: 5/19/25 Is this project currently in compliance? **YES** Additional notes on this project: N/A

# Partnership

What were some successes and challenges with your project?

### Successes:

- The program helped some individuals come out of the worst moments of their life. The peer supported some individuals for two years, which was the entirety of the program. The peer has built wonderful rapport with people to help keep them connected until they are ready for care.

### Challenges:

- Housing availability and transportation has been a challenge. Most people cannot put down a deposit to get into housing.
- Most transitional or sober living housing don't accept people in MAT.

Is there anything ARORP could do differently to make your partnership more successful?

- Nothing to note at the moment.

ARORP Leadership Signature

Date <u>6-16-25</u> Date <u>6/16/25</u> Signature of Director Kirk Lane Signature of Deputy Director Tenesha Barnes