



VIRGINIA OPIOID ABATEMENT AUTHORITY GRANTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

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5:30 pm

Virginia General Assembly Building
Subcommittee Room 600-B
201 North 9th Street, Richmond, VA 23219

Youtube video: <https://youtu.be/JuwRNNokpKE>

1. Call to Order, Establish Quorum

Dr. Sarah Thomason, Chair

Dr. Sarah Thomason (virtual – residence is over 60 miles from meeting location), chair of the OAA Grants Committee, called this meeting to order. The following Grants Committee members were in attendance: Senator Todd Pillion, Mr. Timothy Spencer, Mr. Michael Tillem, Ms. Ingrid Barber, and Delegate Briana Sewell. We have a quorum. Delegate Ballard and Sheriff Baron are present. Anthony McDowell, Charlie Lintecum, James Schliessmann, Adam Rosatelli, Matthew Terrill, Cindy Newman, Sharekka Bridges, Kathleen Dupre, Jennifer Sawyer, Erika Tanner, and Cara Moisan are present from the OAA. Senator Pillion recognized Delegate Jason Ballard who previously served on the OAA Grants Committee and presented a plaque thanking him for his service on behalf of the Authority.

2. Approval of November 19, 2025, Minutes

Dr. Sarah Thomason, Chair

A motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to approve the November 19, 2025, minutes.

3. Update from the Director of Operations

Cecil “Charlie” Lintecum,
Director of Operations

- a) Brief Update on Grant Operations
- b) Summary of Proposed Amendments and Recommendations to FY2026 City and County
- c) Summary of Proposed New FY2026 City and County Applications and Recommendations

Mr. Lintecum provided a presentation (attached to these minutes).

4. Public Comment

Dr. Sarah Thomason, Chair

No public comment.

5. New Business

Dr. Sarah Thomason, Chair

- a) Consider the block of awards to Cities and Counties for amendments to current year as recommended for approval by staff in Attachment A and as described in the presentation for the FY2026 performance period.
- b) Consider the block of new awards to Cities and Counties as recommended for approval by staff in Attachment A and as described in the presentation for the FY 2026 performance period.

- a) A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved.

b) A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

6. Adjourn

Dr. Sarah Thomason, Chair

Mr. Spencer announced his retirement effective March of 2026 and presented his formal resignation to Senator Pillion. Sheriff Baron wanted to thank the OAA for the great work in the field and mentioned attending a ribbon cutting in Chesapeake from two weeks ago. Senator Pillion and Dr. Thomason mentioned a ribbon cutting in both Marion and Norton as well. Senator Pillion was able to meet with the NAACP to discuss Operation STOP!. Dr. Thomason urged everyone to follow along with the OAA's new social media pages to stay up to date on happenings around the state. Meeting adjourned at 5:50PM.



OAA Grants Committee Meeting

JANUARY 20, 2026 - 5:30PM

IN-PERSON

VIRTUAL LINK:

[HTTPS://ZOOM.US/J/97361172043?PWD=7PA5JCK1E20TEQBUPH0Y3KLOCAAREP.1](https://zoom.us/j/97361172043?pwd=7PA5JCK1E20TEQBUPH0Y3KLOCAAREP.1)

Agenda Item Number 1

Call to Order Establish Quorum Recognition of Guests



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Good afternoon, my name is Dr. Sarah Thomason, and I am the chair of the OAA Grants Committee. I would like call this meeting to order.

The following Grants Committee members are in attendance in person :

Senator Pillion
Delegate Sewell
Mr. Spencer
Ms. Barber

Mr. Tillem

We have a quorum.

I would also like to welcome all who have joined us.

Agenda Item Number 2

Approval of Minutes from the November 19, 2025, meeting of the Grants Committee



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The first item of business today is for the Committee to consider a motion to approve the November 19, 2025, minutes as they were posted on website.
Do I hear a motion?

Agenda Item Number 3

Update from the Director of Operations Cecil “Charlie” Lintecum



The next item is for the Committee to receive an update from our Director of Operations, Mr. Charlie Lintecum.



Brief Update on Grant Operations

Grant Operations Updates

City and County Awards

- All award packages completed and distributed
- Tracking of acceptance of award and contingency documentation from cities and counties
 - 55% of Awards have completed the necessary steps to have funds transferred or for OAA to being the process
- Finalizing Reviews of FY2025 Annual Reports
- The Executive Director approved 1 amendment for a Cooperative Partnership for a total of \$138,781.88 in FY2026 funds in accordance with policy.
- A significant update was deployed to the Grants Portal this morning providing enhancements to the instructions, the renewal budget process, and direct distributions reporting.

State Agency Awards

- PP 2025-2026 MOUs have been reviewed and distributed to agencies
- Reviewing PP 2024-2025 Annual Reports (none outstanding)



OAA “Gold Standard” Cities and Counties

70 (52.6%) as of January 12, 2026

Alleghany County	Arlington County	Augusta County	Bedford County	Bristol City	Buena Vista City	Caroline County	Charlottesville City	Chesapeake City	Chesterfield County
Clarke County	Covington City	Culpeper County	Danville City	Dickenson County	Dinwiddie County	Fairfax City	Fairfax County	Floyd County	Franklin County
Fredericksburg City	Giles County	Gloucester County	Hampton City	Harrisonburg City	Henrico County	Henry County	Hopewell City	James City County	King George County
Lexington City	Louisa County	Madison County	Martinsville City	Mathews County	Montgomery County	Newport News City	Norfolk City	Orange County	Page County
Patrick County	Petersburg City	Pittsylvania County	Powhatan County	Prince George County	Prince William County	Pulaski County	Radford City	Richmond City	Roanoke City
Roanoke County	Rockbridge County	Rockingham County	Russell County	Smyth County	Spotsylvania County	Stafford County	Staunton City	Surry County	Sussex County
Tazewell County	Virginia Beach City	Warren County	Washington County	Waynesboro City	Williamsburg City	Winchester City	Wise County	Wythe County	York County

City & County Application and Reporting Dates 2025-2026

Revisions since 11/19/25:

Grants Portal Down 1/15-1/20

Grants Portal Back Up 1/20

Renewal Applications due 4/1

June Grants Committee Meeting will be held during Conference 6/15-6/17



Changed to Coincide w/ Foundation Conference

OAA Grants Portal Back Up	1/20/2026	The OAA Grants Portal will re-open. Renewal applications for FY27 will also open at this time.
Grants Committee Meeting	1/20/2026	To consider new Individual Distribution and/or amended FY2026 awards (Cooperative-amended only)
Webinar: Renewal Budget Process and other System Updates	1/22/2026	This webinar will walk through the recently deployed changes in the Grants Portal including the updates to the budget process for renewals
Webinar: Updates to OAA Terms & Conditions and Q&A/Technical Support	Rescheduled! 2/5/2026	Review updates to OAA's Terms and Conditions, answer questions, and provide Grants Portal support (originally scheduled for 1/14/26)
Webinar: Q&A/Technical Support	2/18/2026	Questions and Grants Portal Support
Webinar: Q&A/Technical Support	3/4/2026	Questions and Grants Portal Support
Application Cycle Closes (New Applications)	3/16/2026	Applications for NEW FY2027 awards <i>must be submitted</i> by this date.
Application Cycle Closes (Renewal Applications)	REVISED!! 4/1/2026	Applications for RENEWAL FY2027 awards <i>must be submitted</i> by this date.
Webinar: Turning Your OAA Grant Award into Impact: Grants Management Next Steps for Cities & Counties	5/21/2026	Important Steps for Cities and Counties to accept, implement, and manage OAA Awards.
Grants Committee Meeting Will be held sometime between:	REVISED/TBD!! 6/15-6/17/2026	Committee will consider applications for all FY2027 city and county awards.



Recommendations for FY2026 Awards to Cities and Counties

Amendments to FY2026 City/County Awards

City/County	Project Name	Award Type	Amendment	Recommendation
Franklin County	Grace House PEARL Program	Individual Distribution	\$99,575.00 Individual & Gold Standard Funds	Recommend Approval
Norfolk City	Norfolk City Individual Planning Grant	Individual Planning Grant	No Cost. Performance Period extension until 6/30/26, required application due by 4/1/26.	Recommend Approval



New FY2026 City/County Awards

City/County	Project Name	Award Type	Amount Requested	Recommendation
Clarke County	Substance Use Disorder Intensive Case Manager	Individual Distribution	\$14,700.00 Individual & Gold Standard Funds	Recommend Approval
Fairfax City	Community Opioid Response Enrichment (CORE) Project	Individual Distribution	\$63,709.00 Individual Distribution Funds	Recommend Approval: Signed subrecipient agreements req. (before funds transmitted)
Franklin County	Community Paramedicine Program	Individual Distribution	\$73,500.00 Individual & Gold Standard Funds	Recommend Approval
Henrico County	Faith Based Project	Individual Distribution	\$275,000.00 Individual Distribution Funds	Recommend Approval: Signed subrecipient agreements req. (before funds transmitted)
Patrick County	PCS – Justice Support & Recovery Court Services	Individual Distribution	\$18,945.00 Individual & Gold Standard Funds	Recommend Approval: Signed subrecipient agreements req. (before funds transmitted)



Upcoming Grants Committee Meetings



Grants Committee Meetings

*Option for All Virtual Meeting
between 1/20 and 6/15 if needed.*

June 15-17, 2026

In-person during OAA Foundation Conference
(Specific Date and Time **TBD**)

August 14, 2026

All Virtual
(Specific time **TBD**)

Agenda Item Number 4

PUBLIC COMMENT

Please keep individual comments to 3 minutes.

Virtual attendees, please use the “hand raise” function in the meeting application to indicate you would like to speak.

In-person attendees, please raise your hand to be recognized.



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This is the time on the agenda where members of the public may address comments to the Committee. We request all comments be kept to three minutes or less.

To indicate that you would like to speak:

- Virtual Attendees
 - Please click the “raise hand” button on your screen and our staff moderator will call your name and enable you to speak, one at a time.
- In-Person Attendees
 - Please raise your hand to be recognized.

Agenda Item Number 5

New Business



And now on to New Business

New Business

Item 5.a

Consider the block of awards to Cities and Counties for amendments to current year awards as recommended for approval by staff in Attachment A and as described in the presentation for the FY2026 performance period.

DRAFT MOTION: APPROVE THE BLOCK OF AWARDS CITIES AND COUNTIES FOR AMENDMENTS TO CURRENT YEAR AWARDS AS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY STAFF IN ATTACHMENT A AND AS DESCRIBED IN THE PRESENTATION FOR THE FY2026 PERFORMANCE PERIOD.



The first item under new business is for the Grants Committee to consider awards listed on Attachment A to the agenda *for amendments to current year city and county awards as recommended for approval by staff in Attachment A and as described in the presentation for the FY2026 Performance Period.*

The Chair will now entertain a motion to approve the block of awards consistent with staff recommendations. Do I hear a motion?

New Business

Item 5.b

Consider the block new awards to Cities and Counties as recommended for approval by staff in Attachment A and as described in the presentation for the FY2026 performance period.

DRAFT MOTION: APPROVE THE BLOCK OF AWARDS TO CITIES AND COUNTIES AS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY STAFF IN ATTACHMENT A AND AS DESCRIBED IN THE PRESENTATION FOR THE FY 2026 PERFORMANCE PERIOD



The next item under new business is for the Grants Committee to consider awards listed on Attachment A for Cities and Counties *for new FY2026 awards as recommended for approval by staff in Attachment A and as described in the presentation.*

The Chair will now entertain a motion to approve the block of awards consistent with staff recommendations. Do I hear a motion?

New Business

Consider any other items of new business.



The Chair will now entertain any other items of new business or motions from the members of the grants committee.

Grants Committee Member Comments and Discussion



Would any members of the Committee like make any comments?

Agenda Item Number 6

Motion To Adjourn



The Committee will now entertain a motion to adjourn. Do I have a motion?