



## **Mississippi Opioid Settlement Fund Advisory Council 2025 Abatement Grant Priorities**

Abatement projects seeking grant funding will be evaluated by the Council subject to the following priorities:

- 1) The abatement project's ability to treat, prevent, surveil, or reduce opioid use disorder or the misuse of opioids, or to otherwise remediate the harmful effects of the opioid epidemic;
- 2) The anticipated impact of the abatement project;
- 3) The sustainability of the abatement project, including but not limited to the organization's ability to provide matching funds in cash or in kind;
- 4) The financial stability of the organization seeking grant funding;
- 5) The size of the population the abatement project will serve;
- 6) The types of abatement services the organization already provides and/or seeks to provide with grant funding;
- 7) The length of time the organization has provided similar services;
- 8) The demographic variety of the population the project will serve, including age and socioeconomic status, the disproportionate impact of the opioid epidemic on the population to be served, and the project's focus on underserved and under-resourced communities in the state;
- 9) The project's grant proceeds will be expended for the benefit of residents of Mississippi; and
- 10) The project's alignment with the core strategies outlined in the settlement agreement exhibits listing opioid remediation uses.