

CARE ACT FUNDING IN MASSACHUSETTS

Total Estimated Formula Funding: \$119.5 million

Under the CARE Act, **Massachusetts would receive an estimated \$55 million per year in state formula grants** to fight substance use disorder and the opioid epidemic, with the opportunity to apply for additional funding from a \$1.6 billion competitive grant program.

Clinics and nonprofits in Massachusetts could receive a share of \$1 billion in annual grants available under the CARE Act. These federal grants would support organizations focused on prevention, treatment and recovery, outreach, support, and harm reduction services for people with substance use disorders and their families. Meanwhile, **state first responders, public health departments, and other stakeholders could access \$500 million in discounted naloxone, the overdose reversal drug.**

Under the CARE Act, **any city or county in Massachusetts could apply for grants from a \$1 billion local competitive grant program.**

Meanwhile, **the hardest-hit communities in Massachusetts would receive an estimated \$64.5 million in annual funding** through the bill's local formula grants.

Estimates based on recent data indicate that **12 counties in Massachusetts would likely be eligible for these formula grants**, including Barnstable, Berkshire, Bristol, Dukes, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, and Worcester. For example:

- **Middlesex County**, with 1,014 drug overdose deaths from 2014 to 2016, could receive as much as **\$12.7 million** per year.
- **Essex County**, with 706 drug overdose deaths from 2014 to 2016, could receive as much as **\$8.8 million** per year.
- **Bristol County**, with 595 drug overdose deaths from 2014 to 2016, could receive as much as **\$7.4 million** per year.

