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**Colorado Opioid Settlement Update**





## Combating the Colorado opioid crisis:

Investing settlement dollars in communities for addiction treatment, recovery, prevention, and education.

\$385 million



AmerisourceBergen CardinalHealth  
Johnson & Johnson MCKESSON

\$50+ million



**PURDUE** and Sacklers

\$90 ~~\$60~~ million



teva Allergan  
an AbbVie company

\$18 million



  
Mallinckrodt

\$10 million



McKinsey  
& Company

**New Settlement  
Announcements  
\$200+ million**

 **CVS pharmacy**<sup>®</sup>

**Walmart** 



**What does that mean for you?**

- New Signed Releases required
- More \$\$ coming to your region and/or local government



# Core Principles for All Colorado Plan

Maximize  
Settlement Funds

Utilize  
Existing  
Infrastructure  
To the Extent  
Possible

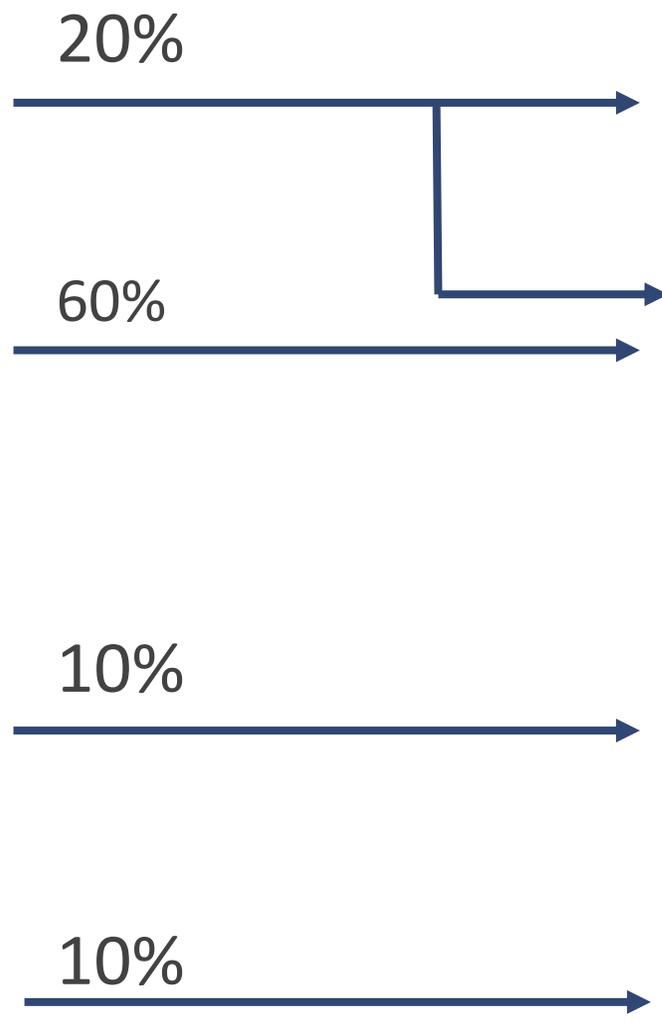
Ensure  
Equity for All  
Local Governments



# Colorado Attorney General - Outreach



**Colorado  
Opioid  
Settlement  
Funds  
Distribution**



**Direct Allocation by Formula to Participating local Governments**  
\*Requirements – Full Transparency

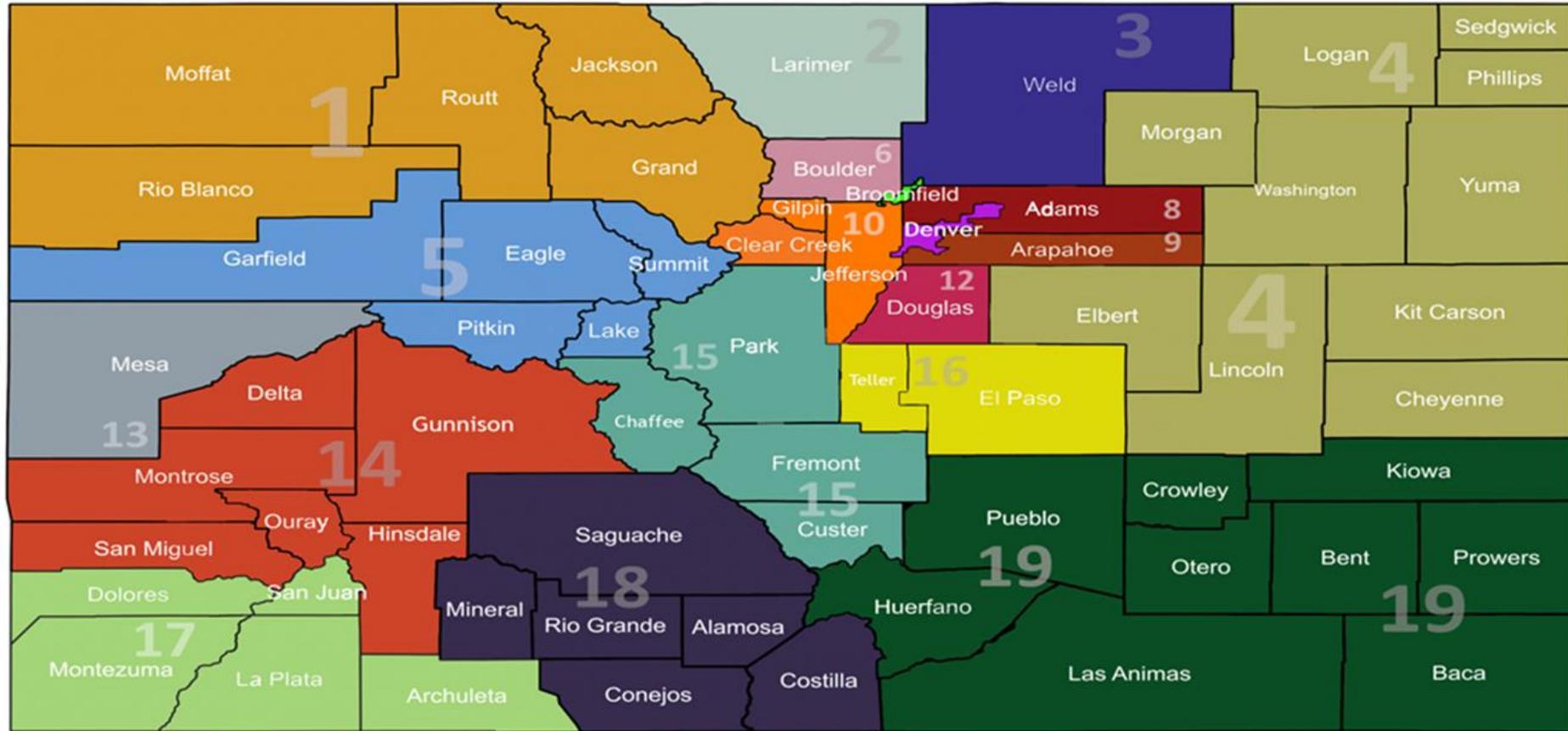
**Regional Opioid Abatement Fund Formula Allocations to Regions**  
\*Requirement – Full Transparency

**Infrastructure Fund – State**  
This fund will support hard hit areas in the state with resource needs  
\*Requirement – Full Transparency

**Direct Allocation to State Government**  
\*Requirement – Full Transparency

# Colorado Opioid Regions

Regions for the distribution of opioid settlement funds



Region 1	Region 5	Region 9	Region 13	Region 17
Region 2	Region 6	Region 10	Region 14	Region 18
Region 3	Region 7 (Broomfield)	Region 11 (Denver)	Region 15	Region 19
Region 4	Region 8	Region 12	Region 16	



60% Regional & 10% Infrastructure Shares

### Colorado Opioid Abatement Council (COAC)

13 Members  
AG is the non-voting Chair

#### 6 Local Government Appointees

- 2 Western Slope
- 2 I-25 Corridor
- 2 Eastern Plains

#### 6 Attorney General Appointees

- 2 Licensed in SUD
- 3 with Experience In SUD
- 1 Affected Person

You are here!

2-Year Plan Administer Regional Funds

### Regional Opioid Abatement Council (ROAC)

Membership

#### Voting Members

- County Rep\*
- Municipal Rep
- Public Health Rep
- Police, Sheriff, DA Rep
- Courts Rep

#### Advisory Members

- Treatment Providers
- Recover Providers
- Harm Reduction
- Affected Persons
- Other

10% State Share

### Opioid Crisis Recovery Funds Advisory Committee

Membership

#### 13 Governor Appointees

- Licensed Physician
- Licensed Pharmacist
- Licensed Nurse
- Licensed Dentist
- Licensed Veterinarian
- Licensed Phys Therapist
- Local Public Health
- Affected Person
- Affected Family
- Advocacy Organization
- 16 State Organization Appointees

\*Each Regional Council should have a representative from each county





# Colorado Opioid Settlement MOU Signing – August 2021

# Braided Funding

## Funding Resources – Best Practices:

### Colorado Opioid Abatement Council (COAC)

#### Infrastructure Funds Grants

- Awards twice annually (2.5 million first round)
- Applications Due January 13, 2023
- Second round mid-2023

### Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) Grants

- Community Investment
- Children, Youth and Families
- Substance Use Workforce
- Criminal Justice Early Intervention

### Department of Public Safety Grants

- Synthetic Opiate Poisoning Investigation and Distribution Interdiction Grant

### SAMHSA

- State Opioid Response Grants (SOR)

## Timeline:

- Settlement funds distribution: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter
- Final Two-Year Plan/Funding Request: December 15, 2022
- Amended Two-Year Plan and/or Funding Request: March 15, 2023
- Save the Date!
  - Annual Colorado Opioid Abatement Conference – August 16-18, 2023
  - Montrose, CO
- Annual Reporting: September 15, 2023
- Two-Year Plan/Funding Requests: September 15, 2023
- Other Amendments/Funding Requests: September 15, 2023
- Ongoing technical assistance for regions and local governments
  - Regional Conferences
  - [COAG.gov/opioids](https://coag.gov/opioids) Website
  - Email us: [opiods@coag.gov](mailto:opiods@coag.gov)

# NEW!!

## Resources Page

### Community Resources

- Crisis lines, treatment, Family Support, Fentanyl Awareness

Regional and Local  
Government  
Resources

Other Resources –  
Dashboards, etc.



Opioid Response  
Resources  
on COAG website:  
[Coag.gov/opioid-response-resources/](https://Coag.gov/opioid-response-resources/)

[Home](#) > [Opioid response resources](#)

## Opioid response resources

### Community resources

> [Go here if you need help or looking for treatment.](#)

#### Get Help

Call 1-844-493-TALK

Text TALK to 38255

OwnPath: [Online Treatment Locator](#)

[IMatter](#): Free therapy for all Colorado youth

^ [Go here if you or a family member or friend of someone struggling with opioid use disorder:](#)

^ [Go here if you are a family member or friend and would like to get more involved:](#)

^ [Go here to hear more about Coloradans stories of recovery from substance use disorder:](#)

^ [Go here to learn about opioid use disorder, treatment and naloxone:](#)

^ [Latest news and updates:](#)

^ [Fentanyl awareness](#)

### Regional council and local government resources

> [Go here to learn about the opioid settlement framework.](#)



[LifftheLabel.org](https://LifftheLabel.org)



# Colorado's Opioid Settlement Funds Framework

Settlement Distributions

\$381,724,264.87

Total Amount of Anticipated Allocations

\$39,178,092.74

Current Funding Allocations

312

Participating Colorado Government Entities

Dashboard: <https://coag.gov/opioids/dashboard/>



Now the Opioid Settlement Funds will be distributed to the Colorado 19 Regions.

# Regional Funds

The majority of the Opioid Settlement Funds will be distributed to 19 Colorado regional relationships. Regional councils may opt to request less than 100% of their allocation.



## \$225,590,152.33

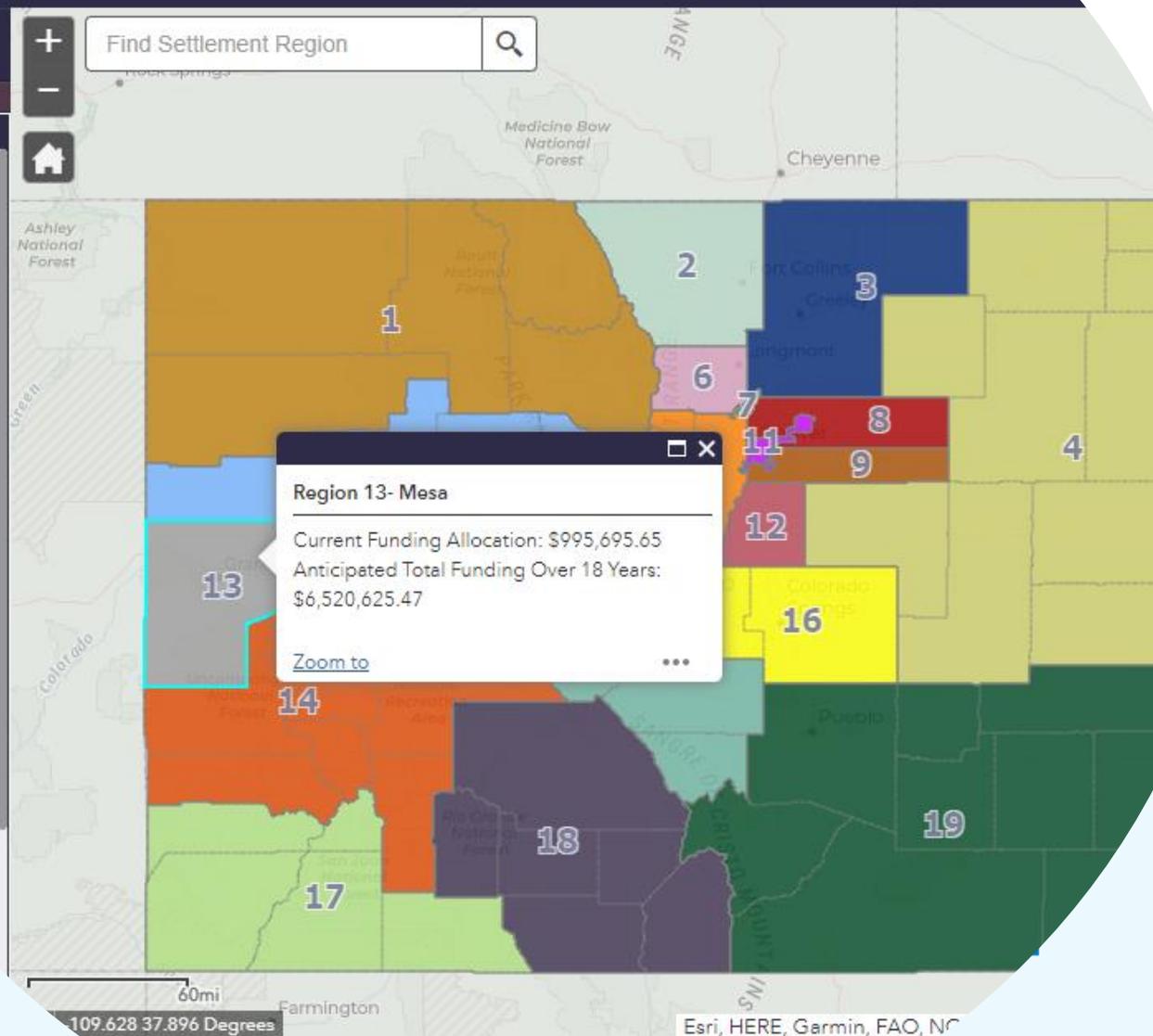
Total anticipated allocations over 18 years

OPIOID ABATEMENT COUNCIL



## Region Distributions

with ArcGIS Web AppBuilder



109.628 37.896 Degrees

Esri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, NOAA

# State Share

The State Share, representing 10% of Opioid Settlement Funds, will primarily be used to fund programs with a state-wide impact. In addition, the State Share will support the work of the Opioid Response Unit and provide funding for the two federally recognized Colorado tribes. The Opioid Crisis Recovery Funds Advisory Committee was created by statute to advise the Attorney General on the expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds that are held in the Attorney General's custodial fund.

To learn more about the Opioid Response Unit and efforts in combating the opioid crisis, please [click here](#).



\$48,039,432.07

Total anticipated allocations over 18 years



\$10,278,886.58

Total anticipated Year 1 allocations

# Infrastructure Share

The Infrastructure Fund, overseen by the Colorado Opioid Abatement Council (COAC), focuses on capital improvements and operational assistance for developing or improving the infrastructure necessary to abate the opioid crisis within the State of Colorado. The Infrastructure Fund is intended to supplement Opioid Settlement Funds requested by any party or region.

To learn more about the COAC, its members, and their efforts, please [click here](#).



\$38,908,704.00

Total anticipated allocations over 18 years



\$5,129,116.64

Total anticipated Year 1 allocations

## Resources

### The Abatement Council

Learn more about the Colorado Opioid Abatement Council members and their efforts.

[Learn More](#)

### The Advisory Committee

Learn more about the efforts of the Opioid Crisis Recovery Funds Advisory Committee.

[Learn More](#)

### Additional Resources

Visit the Opioid Response page to learn about the opioid crisis and for additional resources.

[Learn More](#)

### Let's Stay Connected

Get the latest news about ongoing efforts in combating the opioid crisis.

[Learn More](#)



## Opioid Settlement Funds Distribution Data

[Click Here](#)

Click here to view and download the regional and local government funding distribution data sheet. The figures contained in the data sheet are the best estimates at this time and may be subject to adjustments at a later date. Additionally, the opioid settlement funds will be different from year to year and will be adjusted as needed.

### Opioid Settlement Distribution Funds

#### Opioid Response Unit

Data based on available information through 8/9/2022  
Report Date: 8/30/2022 11:23 AM

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[To Pull Up Table Here](#)

#### Regional Settlement Distribution Funds

Account Name	Anticipated Total Funding Over 18 Years	Current Funding Allocation
Region 1- Northwest	\$2,147,830.10	\$353,056.82
Region 2- Larimer	\$14,721,157.93	\$2,052,502.31
Region 3- Weld	\$8,787,890.98	\$1,243,341.73
Region 4- Northeast	\$3,585,641.50	\$606,875.60
Region 5- I-70 Mountain	\$4,750,170.02	\$681,815.51
Region 6- Boulder	\$13,067,082.99	\$2,269,785.75
Region 7- Broomfield	\$2,258,570.91	\$314,361.66
Region 8- Adams	\$21,256,593.99	\$2,977,690.05
Region 9- Arapahoe	\$24,374,499.82	\$3,754,058.77
Region 10- GROC	\$24,158,852.77	\$3,375,379.27
Region 11- Denver	\$33,840,672.65	\$4,710,151.04
Region 12- Douglas	\$8,276,464.75	\$1,437,036.35
Region 13- Mesa	\$6,520,625.47	\$995,695.65
Region 14- SWCORC	\$3,316,012.38	\$549,362.60
Region 15- Central Region	\$3,524,534.40	\$503,657.82
Region 16- El Paso/Teller	\$28,444,370.72	\$4,897,075.08
Region 17- SWORD	\$3,242,156.66	\$563,185.59
Region 18- San Luis Valley	\$2,483,205.85	\$426,609.12
Region 19- Southeast	\$16,833,818.44	\$2,701,107.42

## Dashboard Phase 2 -



**Reporting from opioid settlement funds  
state, local governments and regions**

## Dashboard Phase 3 -



**Outcome data – Partnership with local  
governments, state departments and others\***



**\*Per the MOU –**

**The Abatement Council may require outcome related data...**

**In determining which outcome related data may be required, COAC shall work with  
all parties and regional councils to identify appropriate datasets...**

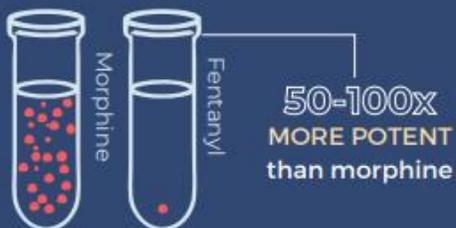
**“Administrative burden should not outweigh the benefit”**



# FENTANYL: overdoses & impacts in Colorado

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid approved for treating severe pain, such as advanced cancer pain. Illicitly manufactured fentanyl is the main driver of recent increases in synthetic opioid deaths.

Fentanyl Awareness Social Media Kit



DEA lab testing reveals that **2** out of every **5** pills with fentanyl contain a potentially lethal dose.



## ILLEGALLY MANUFACTURED FENTANYL

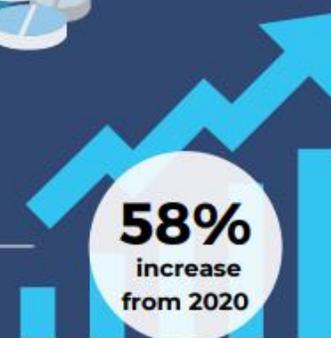
Although opioid prescription rates have fallen, overdoses associated with fentanyl have risen dramatically, contributing to a sharp spike in synthetic opioid deaths.

Often mixed into counterfeit versions of Oxycontin, Xanax, Adderall, and drugs like cocaine and heroin—without knowledge of the user.

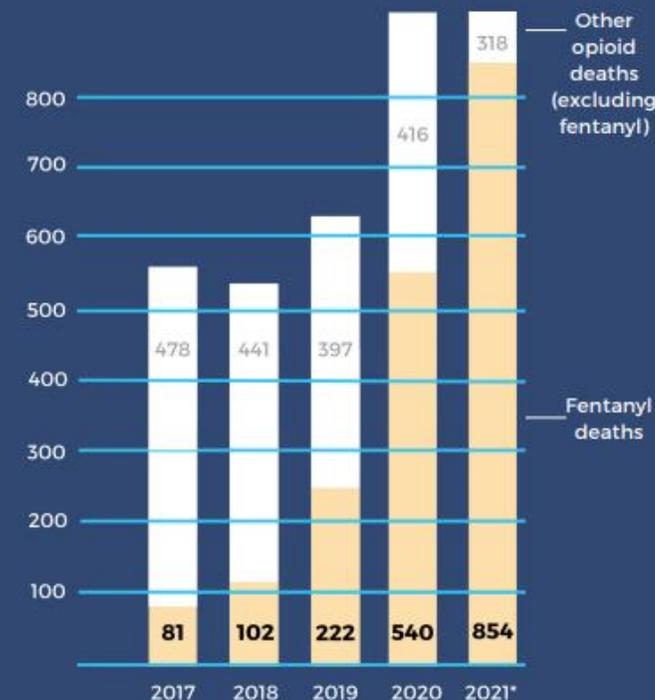


You typically can't see, smell, or taste fentanyl when it's mixed with other drugs.

In 2021, there were **854** fentanyl-related overdose deaths compared to 540 deaths in 2020.\*



Fentanyl-related deaths in Colorado drove the increase in opioid overdoses in 2021:



For more info about what the Colorado Attorney General's Office is doing to combat the fentanyl and opioid crisis, visit our page [here](#) OR scan here.



## Infographic Link

Email us for the full toolkit: [opioids@coag.gov](mailto:opioids@coag.gov)

\* according to preliminary data from Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

# Questions?



## Other Resources

[Opioid Crisis Response Plan \(Colorado\)](#)

[Colorado Memorandum of Understanding](#)

[COAG.GOV/OPIOIDS](https://COAG.GOV/OPIOIDS)

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