

## **City and County Officials working together to better Frankfort's Recovery Community**

**Frankfort, IN** – Mayor Judy Sheets along with Clinton County Commissioner President Jordan Brewer, County Council President Alan Dunn, and Lorra Archibald of Healthy Communities of Clinton County met with the Indiana Commission to Combat Substance Use Disorder in Indianapolis this morning. The team was contacted to present their plan for the Opioid Settlement in Frankfort and Clinton County.

The Opioid Settlement Funding Committee is a group of community members that includes city and county officials, first responders, health department, and mental health organizations across Clinton County. The committee looked at different areas and what gaps of service were missing in the community. The City of Frankfort settlement came in two lump sums; \$57,138.08 in restricted funds and \$24,487.75 in unrestricted funds. The Funding Committee came up with a plan for the restricted funds which has guidelines on what the funds could be used for. However, the unrestricted funds could be used by the City of Frankfort in any capacity. Mayor Judy Sheets presented the plan to the City Council in January of 2023 to split the unrestricted funds in half and for it to be used at WeCare Recovery Home and One80 Recovery Resources.

“I want this settlement to go back into our community to help those in recovery. Everyone has worked so hard to make sure our community has resources in place to help citizens receive the proper care they need. When I asked the City Council to support this plan, they all agreed that we have something unique in Frankfort and wanted to make sure we could help both organizations as much as possible,” stated Mayor Judy Sheets. “This is what happens when our community works together. We all had a common goal and worked together to make it happen. Today is a great day for our recovery community and I am hopeful for the future for our citizens overcoming addiction.”

For any additional information about the Opioid Settlement, please reach out to Mayor Sheets at 765.654.7332 or [jsheets@frankfort-in.gov](mailto:jsheets@frankfort-in.gov) or Lorra Archibald with Healthy Communities of Clinton County at 765.659.6063

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