

FIRST NATIONS OPIOID PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY INVESTMENTS IN BC

\$20 MILLION OVER 3 YEARS

INCLUDING

\$2.4 MILLION IN HARM REDUCTION GRANTS IN YEAR ONE

In August 2017, the FNHA and provincial partners released preliminary data that showed overrepresentation of First Nations peoples in the overdose public health emergency in BC. A subsequent patient journey mapping session illustrates that intergenerational trauma and racism continue to be barriers for First Nations accessing mental health and treatment services.

A \$20 million dollar investment over three-years will support First Nations communities and Indigenous Peoples in BC to address the ongoing impacts of the opioid public health emergency. The FNHA investment plan will support frontline service providers and First Nations communities to continue effective work already underway, and develop new community-driven approaches and solutions.

Investments will fall within the four goal areas of the FNHA's *Framework for Action on Responding to the Overdose/Opioid Public Health Emergency for First Nations*:

- PREVENT PEOPLE WHO OVERDOSE FROM DYING;
- KEEP PEOPLE SAFER WHEN USING;
- CREATE AN ACCESSIBLE RANGE OF TREATMENT OPTIONS; AND
- SUPPORT PEOPLE ON THEIR HEALING JOURNEY.

INVESTMENTS

PREVENT PEOPLE WHO OVERDOSE FROM DYING

NALOXONE TRAINING EXPANSION

KEEP PEOPLE SAFE WHEN USING

PEER ENGAGEMENT, COORDINATION AND NAVIGATION

- Compassion, Inclusion and Engagement (CIE)
- Peer Coordinators
- Harm reduction awareness campaigns

SUPPORT PEOPLE ON THEIR HEALING JOURNEY

INDIGENOUS HARM REDUCTION GRANTS

CREATE AN ACCESSIBLE RANGE OF TREATMENT OPTIONS

INCREASING ACCESS TO OPIOID AGONIST THERAPY (OAT) IN RURAL AND REMOTE FIRST NATIONS CONTEXTS

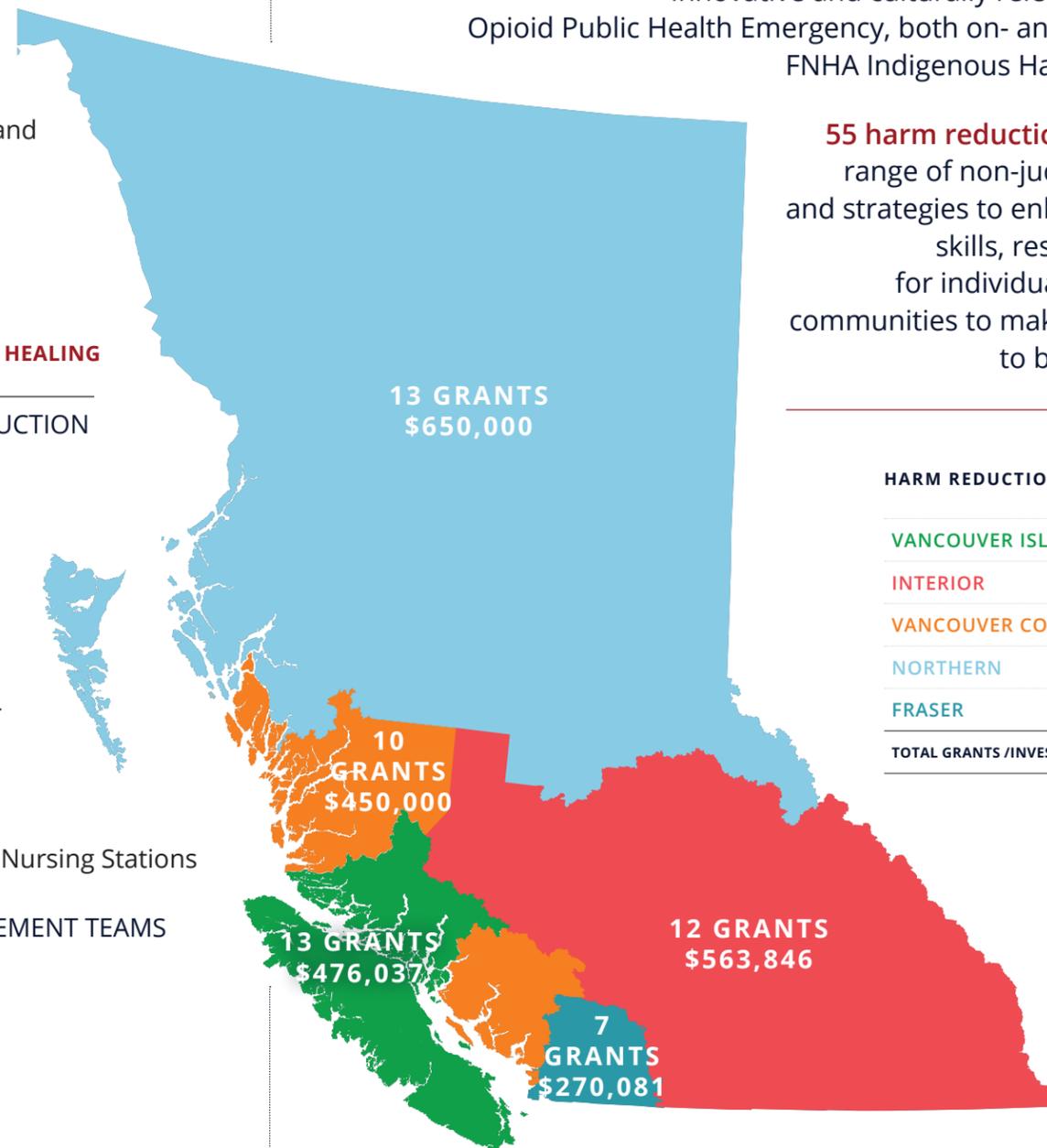
- Treatment Centres
- Community Health and Nursing Stations

INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT TEAMS

55 INDIGENOUS HARM REDUCTION PROJECTS FUNDED

\$2.4 million of the funds will support Community-Driven, Nation-Based innovative and culturally relevant responses to the Opioid Public Health Emergency, both on- and off-reserve through FNHA Indigenous Harm Reduction grants.

55 harm reduction projects support a range of non-judgmental approaches and strategies to enhance the knowledge, skills, resources, and supports for individuals, their families, and communities to make informed decisions to be safer and healthier.



HARM REDUCTION GRANT DISTRIBUTION

VANCOUVER ISLAND	13	\$476,037
INTERIOR	12	\$563,846
VANCOUVER COASTAL	10	\$450,000
NORTHERN	13	\$650,000
FRASER	7	\$270,081
TOTAL GRANTS /INVESTMENTS	55	\$2,409,883



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