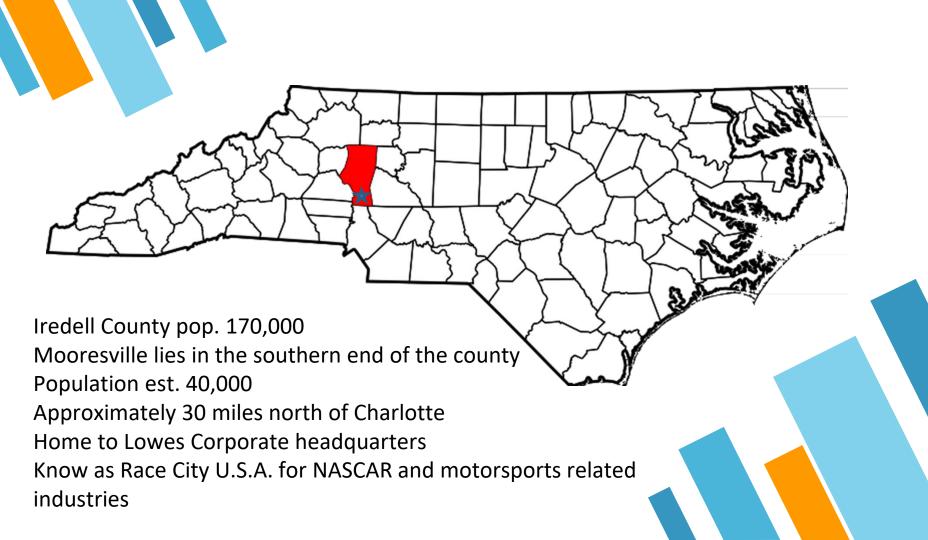
Investing in Partnerships with Community Based
Organizations for Health
Related Initiatives





### **In Iredell County**

**12,000,000** opioid pills were prescribed through **177,271** prescriptions to **44,703** patients THAT EQUALS **71** PILLS PER RESIDENT DISTRIBUTED IN 2016

Iredell County has approximately 170,000 residents... 559 Medication or Drug related overdoses

30% of all driving related deaths are alcohol related 18% of adults report excessive alcohol use or dependency In Mooresville alone there were 49 alcohol related accidents in 2016

# What is being done

The Drug-Alcohol Coalition of Iredell (DACI) is dedication to alcohol and substance abuse prevention, education, and treatment strategies, and their collaboration with over 30 actively participating organizations, government agencies, and community members.

- Sherriff's and local Police Departments
- County Commissioners
- Local government representatives
- Pharmacies
- Community members & charitable organizations

- Health Care providers
- Health Care facilities
  - Religious organizations
- Schools

The Mooresville ABC Board and the Town Board of Commissioners recognized that a coordinated and collaborative community response was necessary to address these significant public health concerns.

# N.C.G.S. §18B-805(c)(3)

## **Expenditure of Alcoholism Funds.**

Requires the local ABC board to spend, or pay to county commissioners to spend at least **7**% of the gross receipts remaining after other required distributions to be spent for the treatment of alcoholism or substance abuse, or for research or education on alcohol or substance abuse.





ABC funds are generally distributed to multiple organizations through a multi-step grant application process that includes:

- In-depth application process
- Grant committee review and vote
- Required annual audit and reporting by recipient(s)
- Audit and report review process by the grant committee
- All funds distributed through the grants must be spent within one year



- Identify program(s) that fit the statutory requirements
- Choose a program(s) which demonstrate an inclusive and collaborative spirit increasing the likelihood of a measurable impact on the community
- Ensure funds will be maintained and utilized in a fiscally responsible manner
- Establish a policy for distributing the funds and reporting requirements

#### The Agreement

- Set parameters on how the funds could be spent (educational materials, programs, curriculums, pamphlets, training, posters, community outreach etc.)
- Set aside funds for purchasing Narcan for the Mooresville Fire-Rescue Department
- Requires quarterly expense reports and an annual audit by an independent accounting firm



Mooresville's program paved the way for DACI to receive a steady flow of funding. Two municipalities (Statesville and Troutman) have since joined the effort, creating the first county-wide partnership of its kind, ensuring the Coalition becomes a permanent resource in the community.

## **Message from DACI**

The ABC allocation is a critical funding source for the Coalition. Other agencies are bound to limits of the services they provide (i.e. treatment, education, prevention etc.). The ABC money allows DACI to work as an intermediary within the county, bringing together community members and agencies to facilitate action.



**Questions?** 

