

Spring 2018: Drug Overdose Prevention Mini-Grant Projects

Chariho Task Force on Substance Abuse Prevention, Charlestown

The Chariho Task Force will host peer support groups for individuals and families affected by the opioid overdose crisis. Licensed therapists will facilitate discussions on substance misuse, recovery support resources, and mindfulness/stress management techniques.

Project Weber/RENEW, Providence

This project will expand existing street outreach efforts by training high-risk individuals how to administer naloxone and about the dangers of fentanyl in illicitly-obtained drugs. Peer recovery support services and harm reduction education will serve individuals involved in commercial sex work.

Central Falls Office on Health, Central Falls

The Central Falls Office on Health will partner with local Emergency Medical Services (EMS), law enforcement, and *Mujeres Positivas* to provide substance use disorder prevention/treatment education, grief counseling, naloxone administration training, and peer support to families and children affected by overdose.

Family Service of Rhode Island, Providence

Family Service of Rhode Island (FSRI) will partner with a local needle exchange program to deliver visual arts workshops and wellness services to children and families who have experienced trauma and/or loss due to overdose. These expressive arts workshops will be facilitated by PeaceLove, a Rhode Island-based, non-profit organization.

Amos House, Providence

The Amos House Mother-Child Reunification Program will expand existing parenting skills training to include recovery-based parenting education for postpartum women who are in active recovery. This program will be delivered to mothers who have a history of opioid use disorder and want to reunite with their children.