

Opiate Abatement Working Group Agenda

Date: April 3, 2024

Time: 6PM

Location: SUDHI Office

Welcome and Introductions

Chairperson Opening remarks.

Roll call and introduction of attendees.

1. *Updates from last meeting*
2. Finalize and Launch Survey for community input.
3. Gift cards purchased for focus groups and community survey incentive.
4. *Just a little help to hold petty cash fund for Id's, transportation, laundry, gift cards etc.*

Implementation of local businesses to carry naloxone.

Update on Nalo Xboxes – in the process of placing the order, 7 locations identified and marked.

Indoor kits will be placed where AEDs are in city buildings and local businesses.

Locations:

Dunkin (Broadway)

City Hall

Target

Revere St (437)

Joes market

Cooledge St

Rose St

Wonderland??

Dunkin (Shirley Ave)

New: Do we want to collaborate with other cities? Vote

Things to think about?

Long term spending- Do we invest in multiple programs or deeply invest in one?

Boston did a community engagement report based on their survey and listening sessions. Their top 5 priorities were raised by participants:

- 1. Support for families- establish a grief support network or fund offering a one-time aid dedicated to childcare, counseling, or funeral expenses.**
- 2. Housing Support: Directly funding housing programming or provide housing support to folks with SUD for housing assistance with priority for black, Latino and women.**
- 3. Equity: establish an annual program distributing a one-time grant to community-based organizations who's further equity in SUD services and recovery support**
- 4. OD prevention: fund overdose prevention centers, integrated with low-threshold medical services.**
- 5. Youth Prevention: expand or create youth prevention campaigns or increase accessibility to family-based education and interventions.**

6.Next Steps

New meeting date; May 1st, 2024

Brainstorm long term spending ideas and strategies.