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Opioid Rescue Boxes in Wayne Township

Narcan® and Fentanyl Test Strips available at all Wayne Township Fire Stations

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than 70,000 people in the United States died from drug overdoses in 2022, with opioids accounting for the majority of those deaths. With the opioid epidemic continuing to ravage communities across the country, there is an urgent need for solutions to prevent overdose deaths.

The “NaloxBox” mission is to improve the capacity of bystander rescuers to save the lives of victims of opioid overdose with overdose response tools, including naloxone. Naloxone (Narcan) is an opioid overdose reversal medication. In partnership with the non-profit group Overdose Lifeline, Wayne Township Fire Department announces we have made available at all five (5) Wayne Township fire stations and the entrance to the Mount Jackson Cemetery opioid rescue boxes. Funding for this project is made possible through the State of Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction.

Wayne Township believes that the Opioid Rescue Box has the potential to save lives and help combat the opioid epidemic by providing access to naloxone. We hope to empower individuals and families to take action against overdose and prevent needless deaths.

The Opioid Rescue Box was developed by a team of healthcare professionals and advocates who are committed to reducing the harms of opioid use and overdose.

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