

Lake County Opioid Initiative

Established in 2013 by four co-developers:

- ❑ Mike Nerheim, Lake County States Attorney
- ❑ Chelsea Laliberte, Co-Founder and Executive Director of Live4Lali
- ❑ Chief George Filenko, Round Lake Beach Police
- ❑ Bruce Johnson, CEO, Nicasa Behavioral Health Services

Membership now exceeds 300 individuals and organizations



Lake County Opioid Initiative's Mission and Vision statement

- To develop, implement, evaluate and sustain a multi-strategy county-wide effort to prevent opioid abuse, addiction, overdose, and death.
- **Vision Statement:** Lake County will be the premier leader and example that effectively addresses all facets of the opioid epidemic to improve the health and safety of our communities.



National Heroin Facts

- Most new heroin users are young white men with low incomes.
- Rates of heroin use have doubled in women.
- About 75% of new heroin users first misused prescription opioids.
- In 2016, more than 63,652 people died from opioid overdoses. **That's approximately 174 a day.**



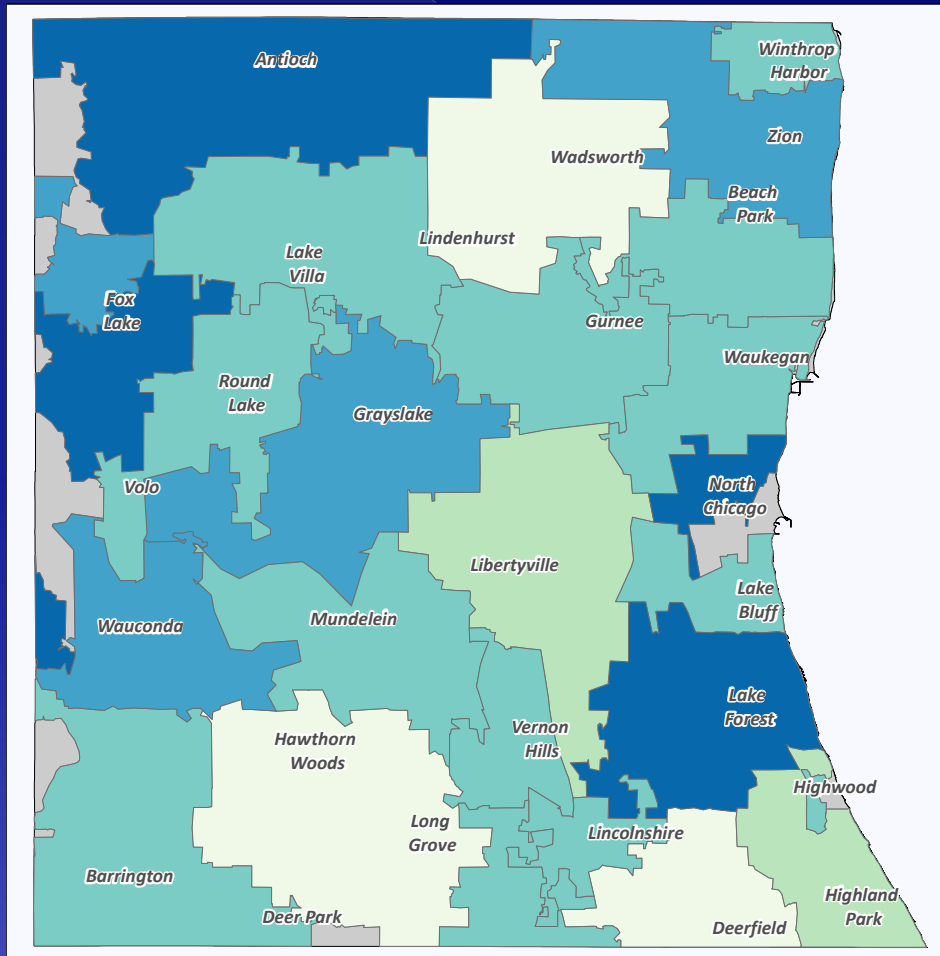
Lake County Death by Substance

Year	All	Heroin	Fentanyl	Cocaine	RX	Heroin + Rx + Fentanyl
2009	82	30		12	40	70
2010	79	34		13	32	66
2011	81	35		5	41	76
2012	78	35		10	33	68
2013	64	25		13	26	51
2014	72	39		7	26	65
2015	69	42	5	4	18	67
2016	70	31	8	3	11	59
2017	80	29	23	12	11	62

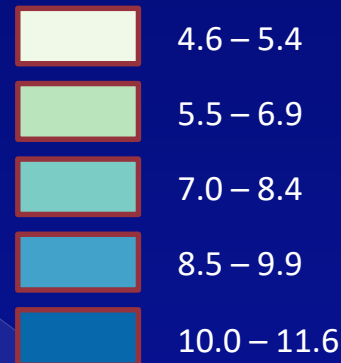
Source: Lake County Coroner and Opioid Initiative.
Please note more recent numbers may be pending toxicology reports.
Also numbers can vary due to multiple substances



Opioid Overuse Rates by Zip



Opioid Hospital Rate per 10,000



Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Patient Safety and Quality,
Illinois Hospital Discharge Data (Inpatient and Outpatient Data Combined),
2012-2015



LCOI'S Programs

- Police Naloxone Program
- Text-A-Tip via Leading Efforts Against Drugs.
Download the App Lake County HELP
- Launching of the “A Way Out Program”.
 - > Over 375 participants have entered the program since its launch on June 1st, 2016.
- Drug Disposal efforts



Naloxone Program

- ◉ Since December 2014.
- ◉ All 38 Lake County Police Departments carry.
- ◉ Coordinated by Lake County Health Department.
- ◉ Naloxone provided by Kaleo in the form of a \$600,000 to \$700,000 donation.
- ◉ 250 lives saved since inception.

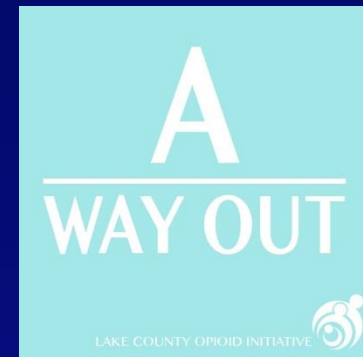


Text-A-Tip

- ◉ 24/7/365
- ◉ Anonymous and Free
- ◉ 15,000 plus texts in the last school year.
- ◉ Leadingefforts.org
- ◉ Download the App
Lake County HELP in the App store
or on Google Play for Androids



A Way Out Program

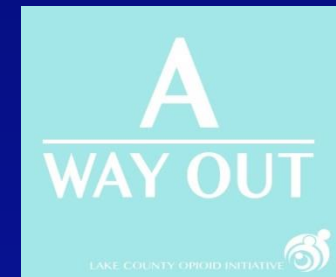
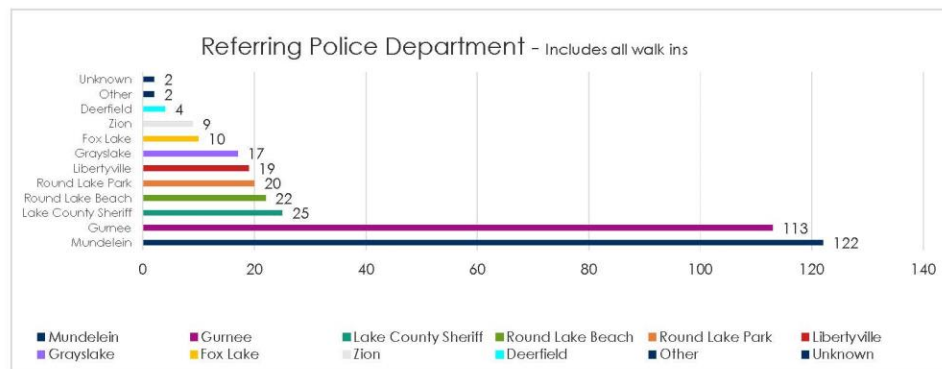
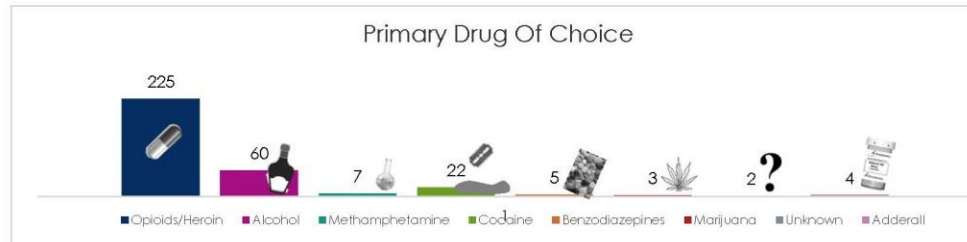
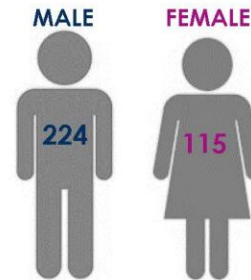
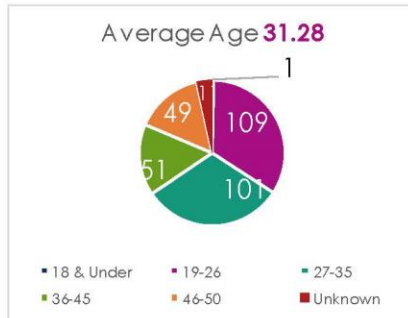


- “A Way Out” is a pre arrest diversion program for all substances.
- 13 Participating Police Departments.
- Coordinated by Lake County Health Department.
- 375 people have gone through the program since June 2016.
- First county in US to adopt.

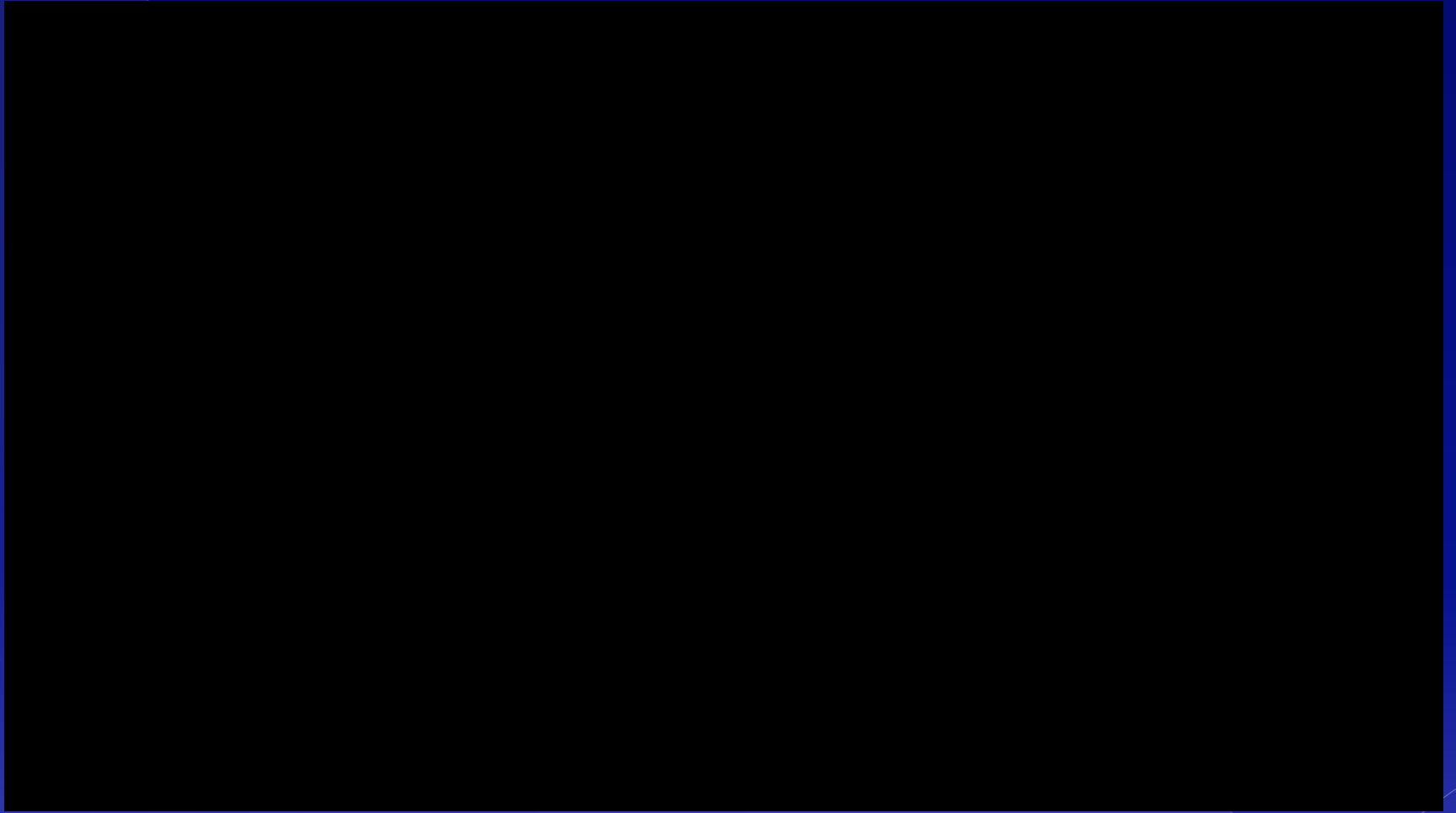


375 A WAY OUT CLIENTS ACCESSED TREATMENT

*thirtyfour participants entered police stations but after initial screening, declined treatment services offered. These individuals are not represented in the data below.



Media Outreach and Marketing



Prescription Drugs Drop Boxes

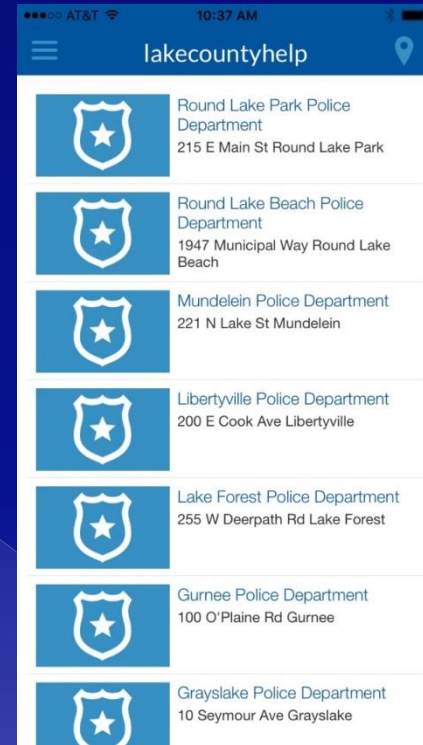
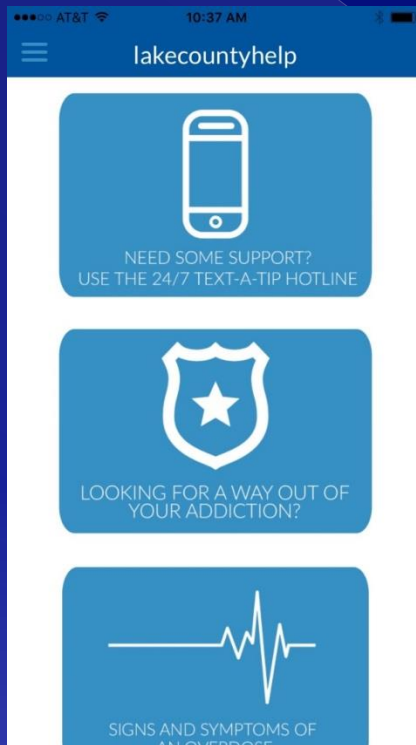
- Network of 32 boxes countywide for disposal
- 15,000 lbs. a year from Lake County
 - 25% of the states total
- Prescription drug destruction
 - via SWALCO a disposal agency in Lake County
- Largest disposal of its kind in the United States.



Lake County Help App

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/lake-county-help/id1184491344?mt=8>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.goodbarber.lakecountyhelp&hl=en>



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- A Way Out Website:
 - > awayoutlc.org
- Drug Disposal Website
 - > LakeCountyDrugFree.org

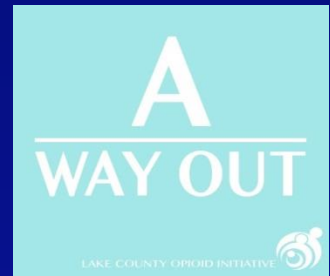


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