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NEWS YOU CAN USE:

LEARN MORE ABOUT OHIO'S ONGOING EFFORTS TO COMBAT THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC



Ohio foundation begins process to distribute millions in opioid settlement money

Associated Press, 3/4/2024

Ohio is getting more critical help to fight the opioid crisis. The OneOhio Recovery Foundation, a nonprofit set up to distribute millions from opioid settlements, is working with local groups to get resources directly to communities across Ohio.

OneOhio will be handing out over \$800 million in funds from the big drug companies to help Ohioans struggling with addiction and to keep our kids safe. They're funding treatment, prevention programs, education, and research—all aimed at ending this epidemic that has hurt so many Ohio families.

Visit oneohiofoundation.com/resources to learn more and see how you can help.

"A multiyear experiment in this working-class city on Lake Erie's banks holds clues to how America could get a handle on its overdose crisis..."

POLITICO, 6/26/2024

"The state's proposal was supported by the entire Ohio congressional delegation, led by [Senator] Sherrod Brown..."

Ohio State News, 4/18/2019

Toledo's success story shows that we can beat the opioid crisis. Their program cut overdose deaths by 20% even as things got worse across the country. That's because they focused on real solutions—targeting help where it's needed most and connecting people with treatment. **We need to bring this proven plan to every community, and that's why Senator Brown is fighting for long-term federal funding.**

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ON THE ISSUES:

SEN. SHERROD BROWN: PROTECTING OHIOANS AND COMBATING THE OPIOID CRISIS

Senator Sherrod Brown has always stood with law enforcement to keep our neighborhoods safe and crack down on the deadly drug crisis.

Brown has worked extensively to pass bipartisan legislation that targets illegal drug trafficking, including his FEND Off Fentanyl Act, which was signed into law this year. The support from Republicans and Democrats that Senator Brown secured to pass the bill makes clear that the fight against the opioid epidemic is a united one, dedicated to helping families across Ohio whose lives have been shattered by addiction and ensuring access to treatment and resources for recovery.



"There's not a community in our state that hasn't been affected by opioid addiction... Their stories are a powerful call to action for us to work together to fight this public health crisis."

—SENATOR SHERROD BROWN

Source: Ohio State Press, June 2019



"Sherrod Brown has been instrumental in advancing legislation that helps sheriffs fight fentanyl and keep terrorists out of our country."

—WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF
MARK WASYLYSHYN

Source: Toledo Blade, 3/5/2024



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See inside to learn more about Senator Brown's work combating the opioid epidemic in Ohio. —————>

ISSUE FOCUS:

PROTECTING OHIOANS AND COMBATING THE OPIOID CRISIS

Senator Sherrod Brown has a long history of leadership in the fight against fentanyl and the opioid epidemic, which has devastated Ohio communities. He has passed bipartisan legislation and secured crucial funding to stop the flow of dangerous drugs and strengthen law enforcement’s ability to protect our communities.



TARGETING DRUG TRAFFICKERS AND MONEY LAUNDERERS

Brown’s bipartisan legislation, the FEND Off Fentanyl Act, was signed into law earlier this year with **overwhelming support from law enforcement, including the National Sheriffs’ Association**. The law will reduce the supply of fentanyl by targeting the networks that produce and distribute it.

Sources: Ohio Capital Journal, 4/25/2024; News 5 Cleveland, 5/6/2024; National Sheriffs’ Association Press Release, accessed 8/15/2024



STOPPING ILLEGAL DRUGS FROM CROSSING THE BORDER

With fentanyl coming in from our southern border, Senator Sherrod Brown is fighting back. He voted for the toughest border bill in decades, which added more border agents to protect our communities. Senator Brown’s INTERDICT Act, passed unanimously in the Senate and signed into law by former President Trump, provides vital funding to crack down on fentanyl, sending more resources and detection devices to the border to keep this deadly drug out of Ohio.

Sources: USA Today, 1/11/2018; Fraternal Order of Police, accessed 8/15/2024



SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE FIGHT AGAINST OPIOIDS

Senator Brown brought home more than \$22 million in federal funding to help law enforcement keep Ohio communities safe from the opioid crisis. He wrote the bill that goes after drug cartels and their suppliers, and he helped pass the bipartisan PREVENT Act to keep dangerous drugs out of the wrong hands.

Sources: Ohio Capital Journal, 4/25/2024, WFMJ, 10/4/2023

HELPING FAMILIES DEVASTATED BY OPIOID ADDICTION

Senator Brown introduced and passed the bipartisan Supporting Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Act, signed by former President Trump, to help grandparents who are now raising children due to the opioid epidemic. Brown also worked together with former Republican Senator Rob Portman of Ohio to make more treatment beds available and provide support to treat newborns exposed to opioids.

Sources: AARP, 7/10/2018; The Washington Post, 10/24/2018



Chairman Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio, and ranking member, Republican Tim Scott, R-S.C., attend the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee hearing titled “Stopping the Flow of Fentanyl: Public Awareness and Legislative Solutions,” in Dirksen Building on Thursday, January 11, 2024.



STRUGGLING WITH ADDICTION? You’re not alone. Help is available in Ohio 24/7 for you and your loved ones.

Dial 988 or chat 988Lifeline.org to connect with a trained counselor for free, confidential support, any time of day or night.

Need treatment or resources? Visit takecharge.ohio.gov or call 1-800-662-HELP.

Let’s work together to build a stronger, healthier Ohio.



“[Brown’s FEND Off Fentanyl Act] will help stop the flow of this deadly poison into our country and help us save lives. The OPBA thanks Senator Brown for his efforts to pass this important bill.”

—Tom Austin
Executive Director, Ohio Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association (OPBA)

Source: National Sheriffs’ Association Press Release, accessed 8/15/2024

Project DAWN (Deaths Avoided with Naloxone) is a lifeline for Ohio families struggling with the opioid epidemic. Project DAWN provides free testing and overdose-prevention training at over 420 sites across the state, helping to save lives and keep families safe.

Find a Project DAWN location near you and learn how to protect your loved ones: odh.ohio.gov/know-our-programs/project-dawn/project-dawn