

OUR BELIEFS

- 1** No one needs to die of an overdose: We have access to life-saving, evidence-based solutions. It's time to use them.
- 2** Public health crises demand public health solutions: When it comes to the safety and wellbeing of our communities, decision makers must implement health solutions guided by science, not stigma.
- 3** Criminalization is the crisis: Criminalization is fueling the overdose crisis by driving an unstable, potent drug supply.
- 4** Overdose deaths are a racial injustice: Disproportionate overdose death rates in Black, Latine, and Indigenous communities are a direct result of the racist drug war.
- 5** All people are worthy of care: People are not more or less worthy of care because of the drugs they use, their access to housing, or their socioeconomic status.
- 6** Overdose prevention centers benefit all community members: Overdose prevention centers bring health, safety, community, and love to our neighborhoods, and connect participants with the resources they need.
- 7** People over profit: The health and safety of our communities always comes first.



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OUR DEMANDS

- 1** State and city leaders must respond to the overdose crisis with the outrage, urgency, and action demanded by a public health emergency.
- 2** State and city leaders must use their authority to clear a legal pathway to authorize and expand overdose prevention centers, especially in areas with the highest rate of overdose.
- 3** State leaders must use opioid settlement funds to sustain and expand essential harm reduction services, including overdose prevention centers.
- 4** Policymakers must work to end, and never increase, the criminalization and punishment of people who use drugs.



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