#### Heroin Overdose Prevention & Education













MAKING THE CASE FOR HUMANITY

# IMPORTANT HOPE CONTACTS

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HOPE was developed for Staten Island by law enforcementagencies, public health advocates, and community partners.

HOPE redirects people arrested for drug possession crimes to health services in the community instead of going to jail or being prosecuted.

YOU CAN AVOID A CRIMINAL RECORD IF YOU ENGAGE IN SERVICES

# PRINCIPLES OF HOPE

#### **HOPE for the Future**

HOPE can help you avoid a criminal record. This improves access to:

- better jobs
- housing
- educational opportunities

## **HOPE for Safety**

HOPE strives to reduce crime and improve public safety. HOPE addresses human suffering and death related to illegal drugs.

## **HOPE for Support**

HOPE understands you will need ongoing support throughout recovery.

## **HOPE for Success**

HOPE has certified peer mentors and staff to help you access the community-based health services that fit your needs.

## **HOPE for Partnership**

HOPE brings together law enforcement and community health workers to save lives. If you are eligible for HOPE, after your arrest:

- You will get a court date 7days from the date you were arrested
- A peer mentor will meet you at the precinct

Your peer mentor will:

- Explain HOPE to you
- Give you a naloxone kit and train you how to use it
- Introduce youto counselors at Staten Island's Resource & Recovery Center

Counselors at the Resource & Recovery Center will:

- Conduct an assessment and work with you to create an individualized plan of care
- Help identify services that meet your particular needs

# HOW HOPE WORKS

## If You Choose Hope

A Legal Aid Society attorney can provide advice about HOPE before the return date listed on your DAT.

If you get an assessment before the 7th day listed on your DAT, you don't need to appear in court. Your case will be adjourned by the District Attorney's Office for 30 days.

If you meaningfully engage in services before the 37th day after your arrest, the District Attorney will not prosecute your case.

You will not have a criminal record.

DON'T LET THIS ARREST DEFINE THE REST OFYOUR LIFE. CHOOSE HOPE.

#### Heroin Overdose Prevention & Education IS HERE TO HELP ENGAGE IN SERVICES, AVOID A CRIMINAL RECORD.

HOPE offers:

- Addiction Treatment Certified Peer Mentors
  - Recovery Support Community-Based Health Service

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## LET US HELP. CHOOSE HOPE.

Peer Mentor

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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