

The SOMA RISE Center Proposed for 1076 Howard Street

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Presentation to the SF Health Commission

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1. Review Prop I Process
2. SOMA RISE Project Overview

The SOMA RISE Center
A Proposed program for 1076 Howard Street

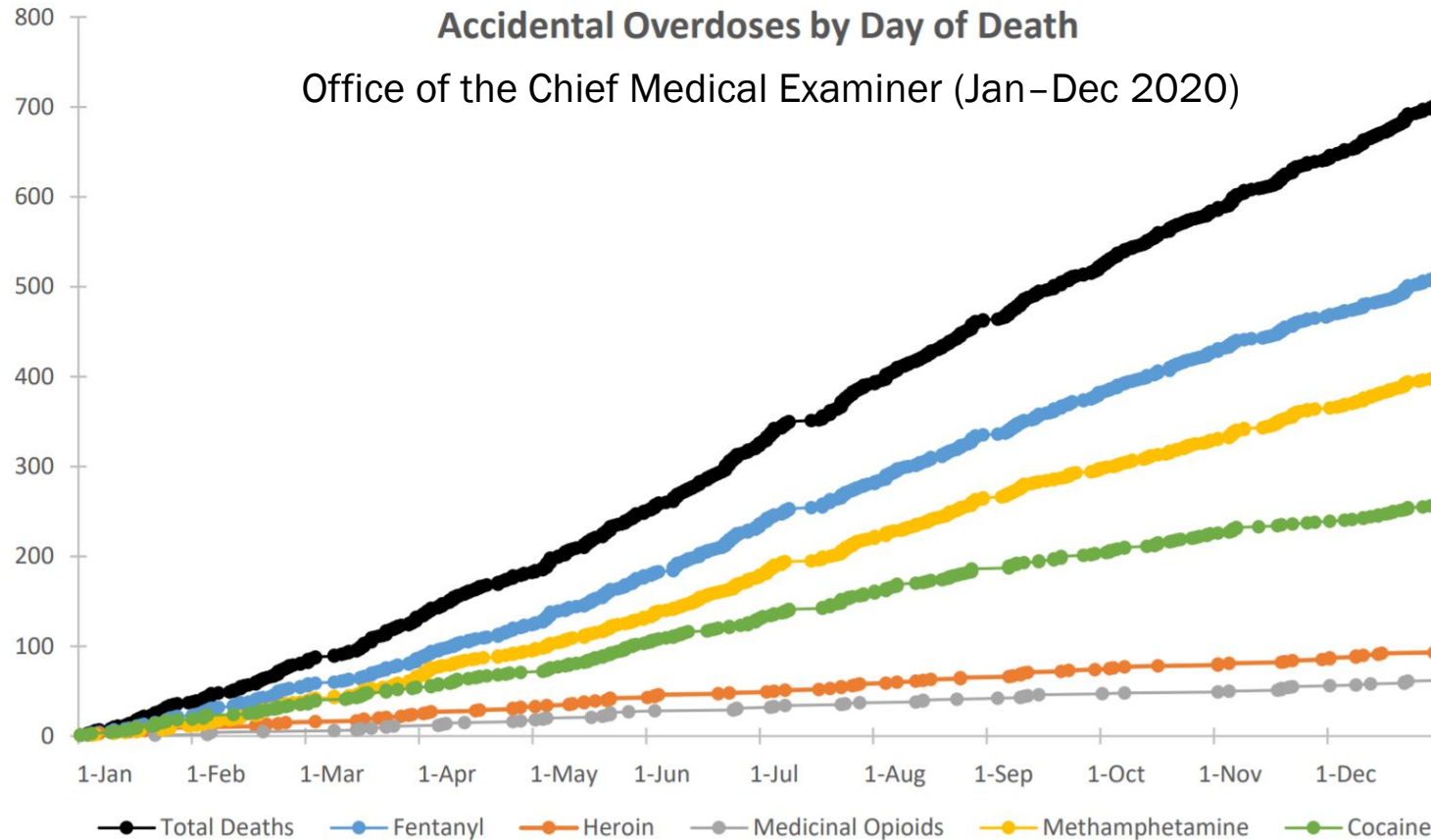
Background

In response to San Francisco’s urgent need to help persons experiencing mental health and substance use crises on the streets, the Department of Public Health proposes to:

Create a trauma-informed sobering site with integrated harm reduction services for individuals who are under the influence of methamphetamine.

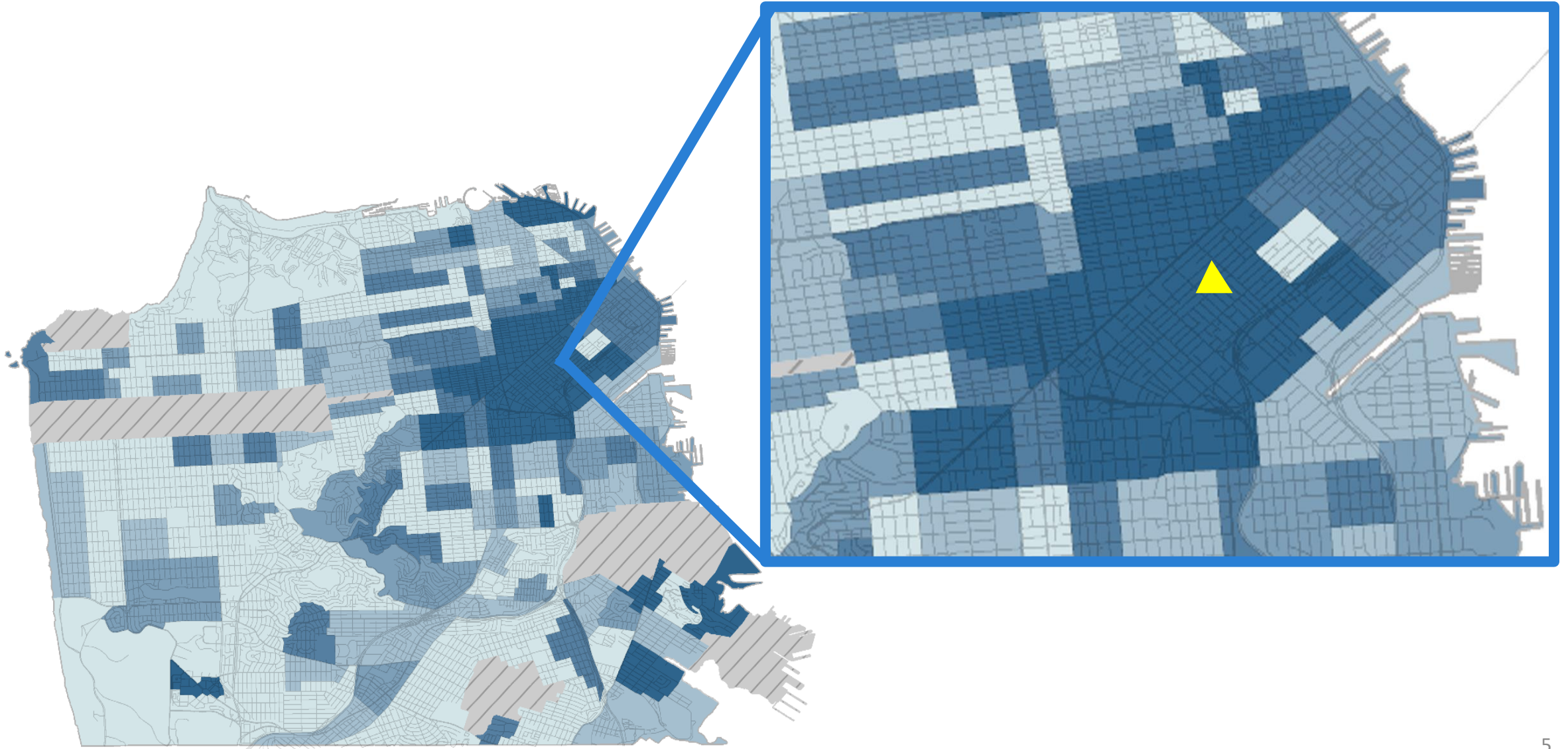


Overdose Deaths in San Francisco

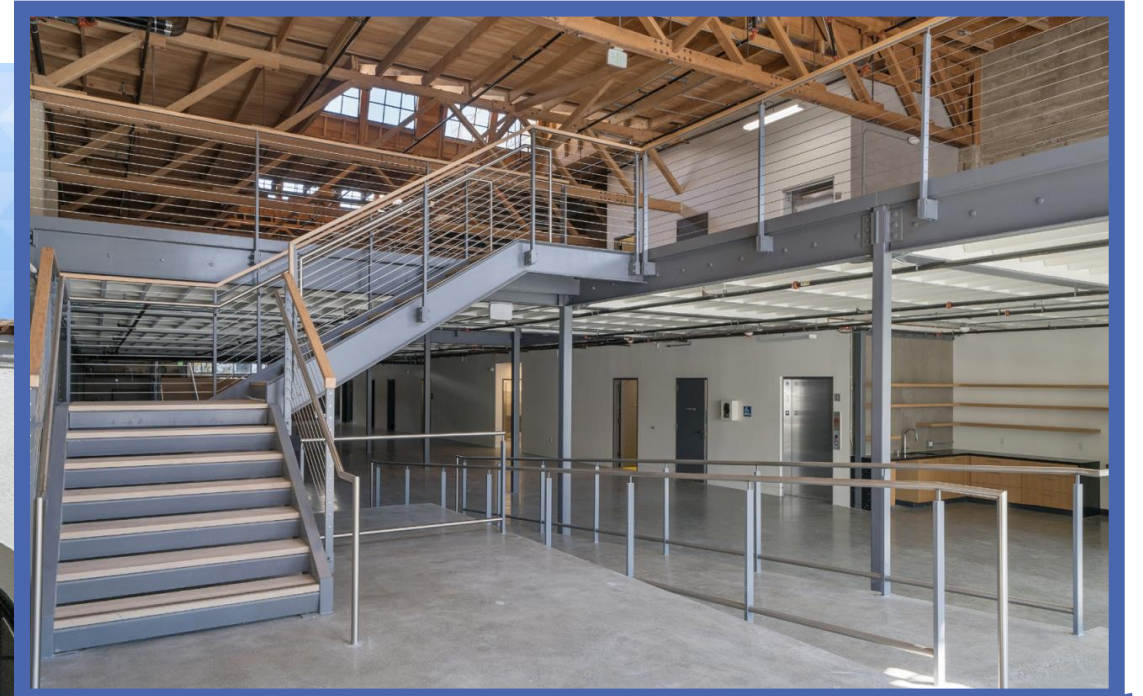


"Acc. Overdoses Open" cases do not have a final cause and manner of death classification; "Acc. Overdoses Closed" cases have a final cause and manner of death classification.
"No fixed address" denotes community members who may be experiencing homelessness.
"Residence" denotes address where decedent lived; "Location of Death" denotes the location where death was declared. For "Residence" and "Location of Death", the 4 most affected neighborhoods are represented, the "Others" category refers to all other zip codes within the City and County of San Francisco and any of out county residences.
"Gender" refers to gender at time of death.
"Total Deaths" denotes Accidental Overdoses where one or more drugs contribute to the cause of death; however, every point for each drug series is inclusive, but not necessarily exclusive, of that drug. "Total deaths" represents all accidental overdoses including ones for drugs not specified above.

Serving SOMA and Tenderloin



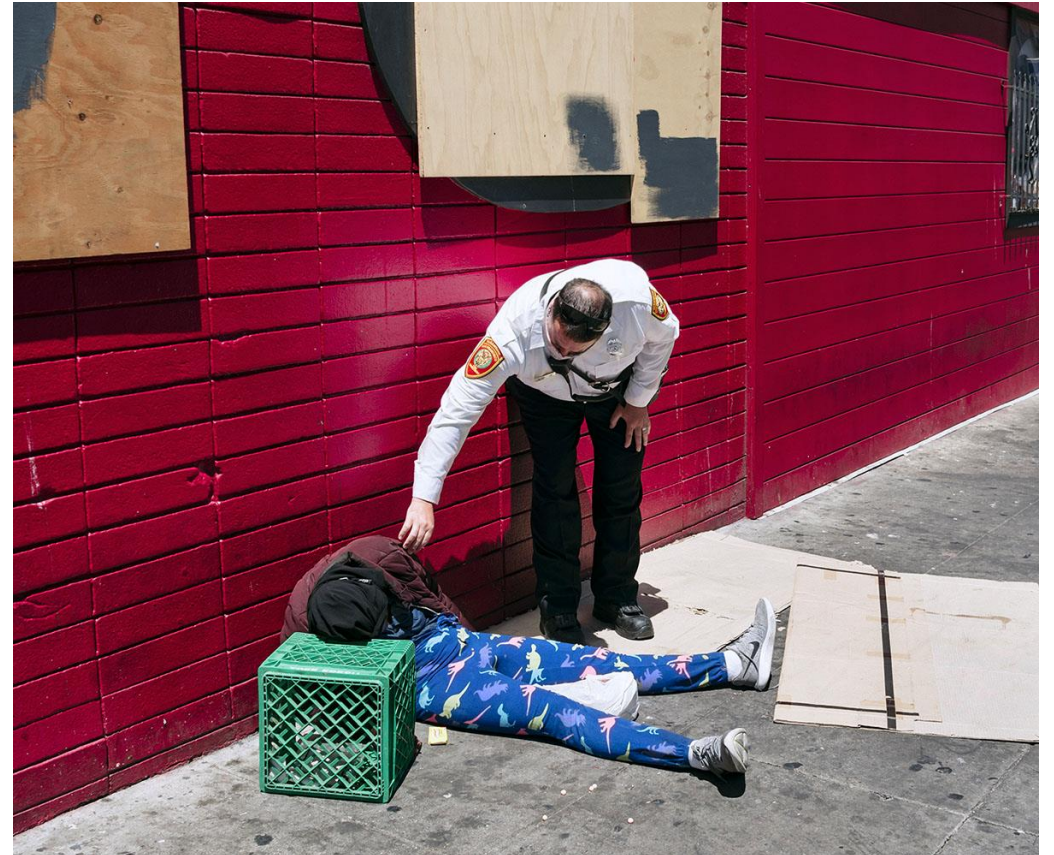
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The SOMA RISE Center

The Sobering Center is open 24/7 to support individuals who are intoxicated on drugs.

- Serves SOMA & Tenderloin
- Walk-ins and referrals (e.g. SCRT)
- Safe, welcoming, respectful



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Reaching for the Top

1. Satisfaction

- Clients feel welcomed and want to return

2. Safety

- No deaths, overdoses, injuries

3. Services

- Visits, health engagement, harm reduction supplies
- Referrals and transportation to “next steps”

4. San Francisco

- Improving lives through Mental Health SF



Partnering with the SOMA & Tenderloin neighborhoods



April & May 2021

- Prop I community input mtgs
- Community response mtg

June 2021

- Health Commission

Fall 2021

- Projected opening

Community Feedback

→ Community meetings on April 21 and April 27, 2021

Concerns expressed by neighborhood include:

- ① Does the program serve people in this neighborhood?
- ② Do clients have a place to go after they leave the program?
- ③ How will you keep the streets safe and clean?
- ④ How will you measure the success of this program?

→ Response meeting on May 26, 2021

Responding to Community

1. The SOMA RISE Center is specifically designed to serve the SOMA and Tenderloin neighborhoods.
2. DPH and HR360 commit to identifying and transporting participants to “next step” destinations.
3. DPH and HR360 are partnering with community organizations in the vicinity to address safety and street conditions.
4. The SOMA RISE Center will be evaluated based on how it has improved the lives of participants and the neighborhood.

Questions and Comments

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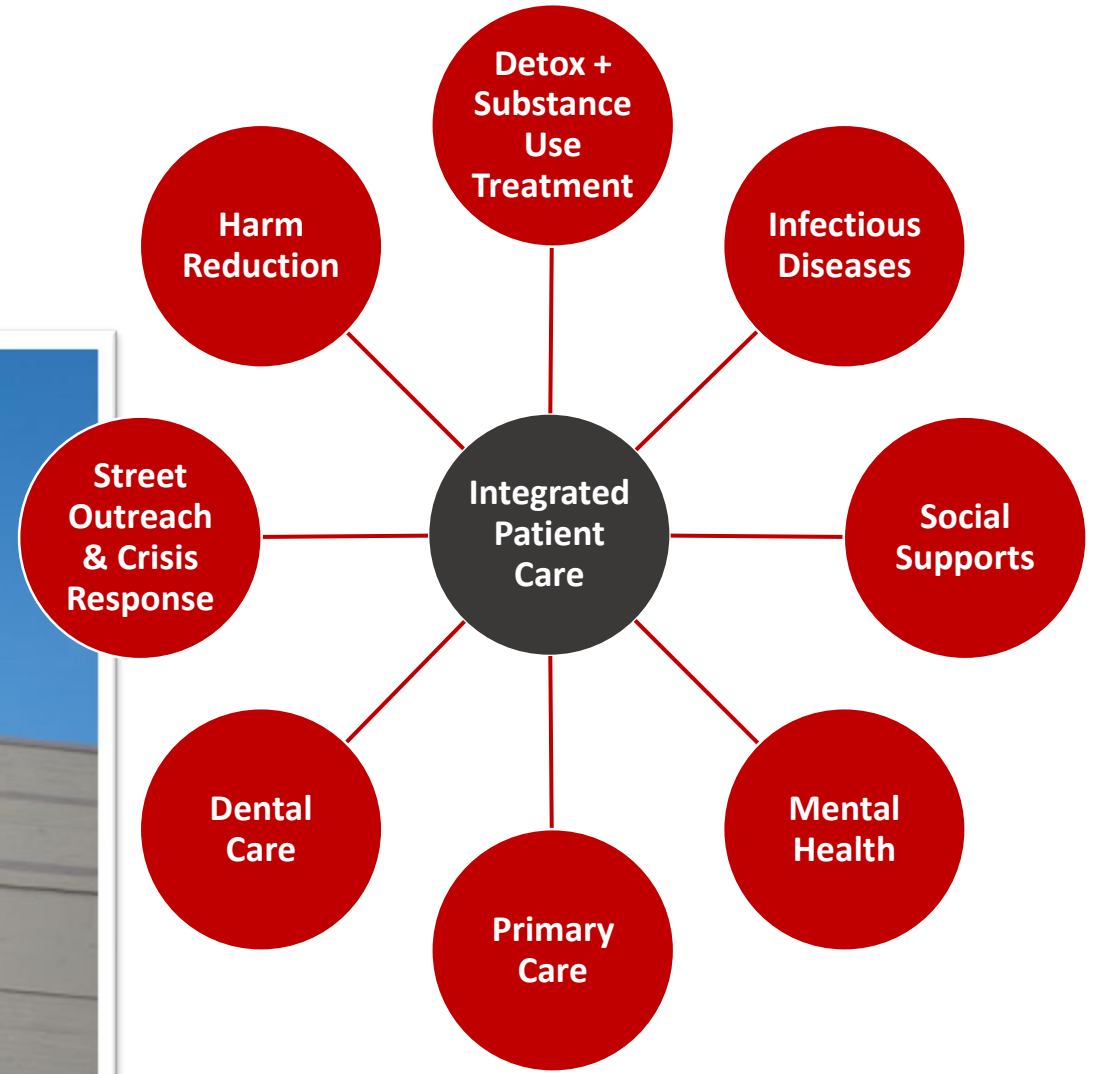
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Key Facts:
15,000 Clients in San Francisco and
45,000 Californians Served Annually

SOMA RISE Center

(Recover, Initiate, Support & Engagement)

1076 Howard Street



A FAMILY OF PROGRAMS

Evidence-based harm reduction services for people who want a place to be while they are experiencing the effects of methamphetamine and other drugs

Open 24/7 in San Francisco's South of Market District with flexible lengths of stay from a few hours to overnight

Staffed with health workers, safety monitors, and medical staff who maintain a compassionate, trauma-informed environment

Program Offerings



Respect and compassion



Preliminary medical care and triage



Indoor calm space with beds and chairs



Hydration, snacks, and meals



Clothes and hygiene kits



Bathrooms and showers



Linkages to services including substance use disorder treatment, housing assessments, primary care, and dental

1 Identify Opioid Overdose and Check for Response



ASK person if he or she is okay and shout name.

Check for signs of opioid overdose:

- Will not wake up or respond to your voice or touch
- Breathing is very slow, irregular, or has stopped
- Center part of their eye is very small, sometimes called "pinpoint pupils"

Lay the person on their back to receive a dose of NARCAN® Nasal Spray.

2 Give NARCAN® Nasal Spray

Remove NARCAN® Nasal Spray From the box.



Peel back the tab with the circle to open the NARCAN® Nasal Spray



Hold the NARCAN® Nasal Spray with your thumb on the bottom of the plunger and your first and middle fingers on either side of the nozzle.



Gently insert the tip of the nozzle into either nostril.

• Tilt the person's head back and provide support under the neck with your hand. Gently insert the tip of the nozzle into one nostril, until your fingers on either side of the nozzle are against the bottom of the person's nose.



Press the plunger firmly to give the dose of NARCAN® Nasal Spray

• Remove the NARCAN® Nasal Spray from the nostril after giving the dose.

3 Call for emergency medical help, Evaluate, and Support



Get emergency medical help right away.

Move the person on their side (recovery position) after giving NARCAN® Nasal Spray.

Watch the person closely. If the person does not respond by waking up, to voice or touch, or breathing normally another dose may be given. NARCAN® Nasal Spray may be dosed every 2 to 3 minutes, if available.

Repeat Step 2 using a new NARCAN® Nasal Spray to give another dose in the other nostril. If additional NARCAN Nasal Sprays are available, repeat every 2 to 3 minutes until the person responds or emergency medical help is received.



Overdose Response

San Francisco Overdose Deaths & 1-Year Comparison:
 252 | January 2021 – April 2021
 181 | January 2020 – April 2020



Physical and Emotional Safety

- **Trauma-Informed System of Care**
 - Responsive to impact of trauma on participants, staff, and the community
 - Trauma-Informed Environment
- **Trained Staff**
 - Trained in customer service, crisis de-escalation, non-violent communication, and harm reduction
 - Connecting people to care and harm reduction supplies at the center
 - Training all staff on overdose reversals (including non-clinical staff)
- **Safety Workers**
 - Will monitor building for safety, oversee admissions and discharges, and support with individual client attention/health engagement
- **COVID-19 Safety**
 - Connect people to testing, vaccines, and shelter



HealthRIGHT 360 Outreach & Engagement

SF Department of Public Health Community Meetings:

- Wednesday, April 21, 2021
- Tuesday, April 27, 2021
- Wednesday, May 26, 2021

Neighborhood Outreach with Neighbors and Businesses:

- Tuesday, April 27, 2021
- Tuesday, May 4, 2021
- Wednesday, May 12, 2021
- Thursday, May 13, 2021
- Monday, May 17, 2021

SOMA West CBD Meeting Attendance:

- Tuesday, April 20, 2021
- Wednesday, May 12, 2021

HealthRIGHT 360 Commitment:

- Participate in Regular SOMA West CBD Meetings, and other neighborhood groups to check-in on the Drug Sobering Center
- HealthRIGHT 360 will Host A Follow-Up Meeting in the Community to Discuss Feedback on the Drug Sobering Center

Thank you!

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