

Heartfelt thanks to our Community and County partners! Their tremendous efforts have resulted in increased awareness and education on overdose and harm reduction in Riverside County!

Announcements

RODA received OD2A: LOCAL Funding!

RODA is proud to announce that we've been awarded one of @CDC's Overdose Data to Action grants! This grant will help us reduce overdose deaths and related harms. The 5-year funding will continue to boost RODA's prevention activities, help us gather and analyze more data, and strengthen community partnerships to save more lives, faster!

CDC Grant Submission Feedback:

Overall, this is an excellent, very well thought out proposal with few weaknesses. There is strong organizational capacity, and they are well-versed in working with disproportionately affected marginalized populations such as Hispanic/Latinx populations. They have an impressive number of working relationships with committed partners. Finally, they are well-experienced in utilizing overdose related data from diverse sources for data to action projects.

August 31 is International Overdose Awareness Day (IOAD)!

IOAD is the world's largest annual campaign to end overdose, remember without stigma those who have died from overdose, and acknowledge the grief of the family and friends left behind. The IOAD 2023 theme "Recognizing those people who go unseen" is about acknowledging people in our communities who are affected by overdose but might go unseen in the crisis. [Learn more about the 2023 campaign here.](#)

Grant Cycle Wrap Up

- Over 5700 Community members, county staff, and students have been trained.
- 49,300 Safe use supplies and kits have been distributed.
- 10,000 meals have been provided.
- 160 Leave Behind Naloxone kits have been left provided after an overdose or suspected overdose by EMS since the program's inception in March 2022!
- 1,100 reported overdose reversals!



For more on RODA scan or click [HERE](#)

Acknowledgments

Special thanks to the amazing RODA Data team for the Data Dashboard and the surveillance updates that support the work we do!

Scan or click [HERE](#) for dashboard

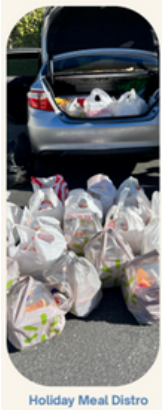


Partner Highlights

Showing off the great work of our partners!



Inland Empire Harm Reduction (IEHR) is a local, community-based, public health 501(c)(3) non-profit organization focused on improving the health and well-being of individuals affected by drug use in Riverside County and in surrounding areas.



Vision y Compromiso unites promotores and the organizations they represent as one voice behind a vision of a life with dignity and health for all.

They educate, empower and advocate for community change in linguistically and culturally sensitive and responsive ways sharing a desire to improve their communities so that all families may know a better way of life.

Community Impact

322 Participants in workshops session #1



244 Participants in workshops session #2

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END OVERDOSE.

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End Overdose is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization based in Los Angeles, California working to end drug-related overdose deaths through education, medical intervention, and public awareness.

El Sol Neighborhood Education Center

El Sol has been serving the Inland Empire for more than 30 years working to achieve positive, measurable change.



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Case management services provided by Public Health Nursing – participating partners refer eligible clients to the Public Health Nurse (PHN) for case management. The PHN assesses and works closely with case-managed clients to connect them with the services they need.



EMS Naloxone Leave Behind Program – Implemented by Riverside Emergency Medical Services Agency (EMS), EMS provides individuals and/or families of individuals who experienced an overdose with Naloxone, education on how to recognize and respond to an overdose using Naloxone, and harm reduction resources.



The DHCD in partnership with RUHS-PH has created an action plan to address the high rate of overdose deaths plaguing the community of Indio California utilizing a harm reduction education framework that leveraged existing county partners. ABC Recovery Center of Indio was selected as the provider of these education awareness sessions.



Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) – Clinical Pharmacy Programs will use academic detailing while leveraging other techniques, including harm reduction, to increase the use of non-opioid medications, decrease high-risk opioid prescribing.



Healthy Families America is an Evidence-based Home Visitation Program for families who are at risk for child abuse & neglect, and other poor childhood outcomes

Home Visits Occur:

Weekly/bimonthly for at least 3 years and up to 5 years as needed

Riverside County Sheriff's Department Chris Mason – Certified Crime and Intelligence Analyst – thank you for your partnership and for providing your weekly, comprehensive Situational Awareness Reports!



(OAPP) – Implementation of a youth-based curriculum, risk-screening, and referral process for overdose prevention in middle and high schools in Riverside County. At-risk students are referred to Behavioral Health Specialists or counselors on campus.



NACCHO

Denver at the NACCHO (National Association of County and City Health Officials) conference. RODA and IPS Presentations on the Overdose Fatality Review and IPS presentation on the Substance Use Prevention Toolkit for Schools.

CONFERENCE Highlights!



Overdose Fatality Review

The Riverside County Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) continues to be the only OFR in California! The amazing work done by the OFR continues to be highlighted at various events, such as the OD2A Recipient Meeting: Collective Action: Addressing Gaps in Substance Use, Overdose and Recovery (pictures below).



Overdose Date to Action Recipient Meeting in Atlanta, GA

RODA submitted abstracts for the OD2A conference that were accepted for Presentations (OFR), Round Table discussions (Establishing Linkages to Care and Substance Use Toolkit for Schools), as well as Poster Presentation (RODA Dashboard)!

