# **The DETERRA™ Project**

**Preventing Prescription Medicine Abuse** 







Working together to reduce alcohol and other drug abuse



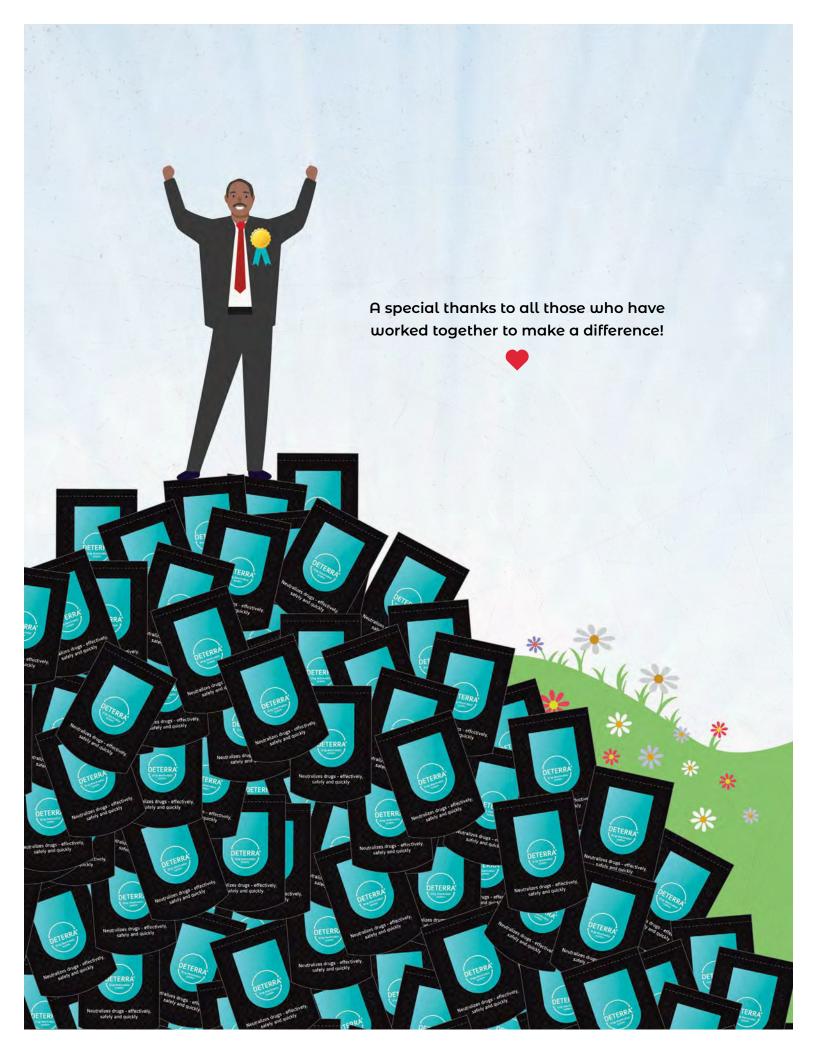
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"Acme Pharmacy has participated in the
Deterra™ Project with Summit County Community
Partnership to provide a safe, convenient and easy
way to dispose of unused prescription drugs.

We feel the Deterra™ Project has helped make our community safer!"

— Joe Lahovich, Director of Pharmacy, Acme Fresh Market Pharmacy



## The Deterra<sup>™</sup> Project

#### **Preventing Prescription Medicine Abuse**

Summit County Community Partnership's Deterra™ Project: Preventing Prescription Medicine Abuse is a collaborative effort with more than 90 community organizations to distribute medicine disposal pouches in Summit County and surrounding communities. Reducing access to unused medications is an evidence-based prevention strategy to reduce misuse and accidental overdoses. The project kicked off on International Overdose Awareness Day (August 31st) 2016. In the project's three years, it has distributed more than 105K+ medicine disposal pouches, expanding the project to impact the region and state.

## GOAL 1

SAFE MEDICINE DISPOSAL AS SOON AS A MEDICINE IS NO LONGER USED OR NEEDED BECOMES THE COMMUNITY NORM.

**OBJECTIVE:** TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SAFELY DISPOSING MEDICINE BY PROVIDING ACCESS TO A SAFE AND EASY AT-HOME DISPOSAL OPTION.

**OBJECTIVE:** TO PROMPT INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT NORMALLY CLEAN OUT THEIR MEDICINE CABINET TO SAFELY DISPOSE OF THEIR UNUSED MEDICINES.

## GOAL 2

REDUCE ACCESS TO UNUSED/EXPIRED PRE-SCRIPTION OPIOIDS IN SUMMIT COUNTY AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.

**OBJECTIVE:** PROVIDE MEDICINE DISPOSAL POUCHES TO INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING SHORT-TERM OPIOID PRESCRIPTIONS.

**OBJECTIVE:** PROVIDE MEDICINE DISPOSAL POUCHES TO INDIVIDUALS AT-RISK FOR HAVING LARGE AMOUNTS OF UNUSED PRESCRIPTION OPIOIDS.

#### Three-Year Timeline



#### **Year 1**

39k+ medicine disposal pouches distributed

40+ community partners 60+ distribution locations



#### **Year 2**

21K+ medicine disposal pouches distributed

70+ community partners

100+ distribution locations

SafeRx Regional Collaborative created



#### **Year 3**

47k+ medicine disposal pouches distributed

90+ Community partners

150 distribution locations in a 7 county region

Ohio's SafeRx Collaborative was formed & 61k+ pouches distributed

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### **Distribution Partners:**

The Deterra® Project could not be possible without the generous time and resources invested by our distribution partners and through in-kind donations & funding.



Acme Fresh Market Pharmacy

AHEPA Akron

Akron Area YMCA

Akron Children's Hospital

Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority

Akron-Summit County Public Library

Akron-UMADAOP

Alcoholics Anonymous:

Monday Indoor Group Tuesday Men's Toolbox Friday Big Book Study Saturday Pass It On

Sunday Your Group

Sunday Watters Park

Alleviant of Akron

AUI

**AxessPointe** 

Barberton Public Library

Bath Township Fire Department

Bath Township Police Department

Broken Chains Ministry

Cascade Village – The Community Builders

Catholic Charities

**CHC Addiction Services** 

CHOICES: A Community Social Center

City of Akron Fire Department

City of Akron Police Department

City of Barberton Fire Department

City of Barberton Police Department

City of Cuyahoga Falls

City of Cuyahoga Falls Fire Department

City of Cuyahoga Falls Police Department

City of Green Drug Task Force\*

City of Norton Fire Department

City of Norton Police Department

City of Stow Police Department

Cleveland Clinic Akron General

Colonial Pharmacy

Connie Collins, LLC

Copley Township

County of Summit ADM Board/

Summit County Opiate & Addiction Task Force

Coventry Township Fire & EMS Department

Cover2 Resources

Cuyahoga County Opiate Task Force\*

Cuyahoga Falls Public Library

Direction Home: Akron Canton Area Agency on

Aging & Disabilities

Discount Drug Mart

Drug Safe Hudson\*

Drug-Free Stark\*

East Side Vet Center – VA

Serving Summit County

Equitas Health

F I Community Housing

Fighting for Alyssa

First United Methodist Church of Cuyahoga Falls

Gavin Scott Salon

Grandview United Methodist Church

Hope United

**Hudson Fire Department** 

Hudson First Congregational Church/UCC

**Hudson Police Department** 

Interval Brotherhood Home

Jake's Reach

K & D Group

Klein's Pharmacy

Koinonia Education &

Family Resource Center, LLC

Lake-Geauga Recovery Center\*

Leia' Love Hair & Nail Salon

Macedonia Police Department

Medina County Opiate Task Force\*

NAACP - Akron Branch

Open M

Oriana House

Portage County Substance Abuse Community Coalition\*

Portage Path Behavioral Health

Red Oak Behavioral Health

Revere School System

Sand Run Pharmacy

Springfield Township Fire Department

Springfield Township Police Department

St. Mary Catholic Church

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library

Summa Health

Summit County Children's Services

Summit County Clerk of Courts

Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board

Summit County Department of Job & Family Services

Summit County Prosecutor's Office

Summit County Public Health

Summit Educational Service Center

Tallmadge Police Department

The Blick Center

The Summit WAPS

Twinsburg Public Library

Twinsburg Senior Apartments

Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron

Urban Ounce of Prevention Behavioral Health

Vantage Aging

Visiting Nurse Service & Affiliates

Visiting Social Work

Wadsworth Drug Free Community Coalition\*

Wayne County Opiate Task Force\*

Western Reserve Hospital

\*SafeRx Regional Collaborative Member

## Resource Investment Partners: Year 3



























Summit County Community Partnership also extends its deep gratitude to Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, Inc. for their original investment of 40,000 pouches which provided a solid foundation and allowed the project to immediately make a major impact in our community.

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# **Total Program** Impact (2016-2019)

\$410K+ Value of pouches distributed

109,033 pouches distributed

Used to dispose prescription

26%

Clean out their medicine cabinets regularly

Pouches used to dispose prescription opiates or narcotics

Of pouch users were prompted to clean out their medicine cabinets



90+ distribution partners

4.6 million

pills safely disposed\*

\*If pouches are used to capacitu

\$7.6 M societal benefit\*\*

> \*\* Each dollar invested into prevention can reduce costs related to substance abuse by an average of \$18.00. Source: Miller, T., & Hendrie, D. (2009) Substance abuse prevention dollars and cents: a cost-benefit analysis. DHHS Pub. No. (SMA) 07-4298 Rockville, MD: Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Substance Abuse, and Mental Health Services Administration.



## **Year 3 Impact** - POSTCARD 1,118 Postcard surveys returned **Medicine** Types Disposed Over the Counter Narcotics/Opiods Other Prescriptions Medications Vitamins Unknown

2.0 million

pills safely disposed\* \*If pouches are used to capacity \$3.2 M societal benefit

Top 5 zip codes of survey respondents & ranking for overdoses in 2018:

**44313** (Rated 10)

**44685** (Rated 11)

**44236** (Rated 30)

**44203** (Rated 1)

**44312** (Rated 2)



value of pouches

pouches

clean out their medicine cabinets regularly

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In 2018, seven counties in Northeast Ohio (Cuyahoga, Geauga, Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit & Wayne Counties) came together to create a regional collaborative focused on safe prescription medicine usage, storage and disposal.

Collectively, these counties contain more than 25% of Ohio residents where more than 100 million opioid doses are dispensed each year.

Through support from the Ohio Prevention Network, Prevention Action Alliance, and RALI (Rx Abuse Leadership Initiative) Ohio, the collaborative has...







collaborated on SafeRx educational assets



created a SafeRx disposal video



created a
SafeRx online
messaging
campaign

"Excellent program. Thank you!"

— Medina County respondent

"So easy – thank you. Glad meds are out of the house!"

— Wadsworth respondent

## **About Summit County Community Partnership**

Summit County Community Partnership (SCCP) has been bringing individuals and organizations together to reduce alcohol and other drug abuse since 1990. SCCP is a consortium of community resources committed to preventing substance abuse in Summit County. Our mission is to facilitate coalitions of community resources in order to prevent alcohol, drug abuse and problem gambling in Summit County. We use evidence-based prevention techniques, information and activities in an attempt to infuse them into every community system.

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