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Activities reported September 30, 2018 to January 18, 2019 using the Outreach Activities Survey. 29 surveys completed.

| Type of Activities Reported | Numbers of Surveys Completed |
|---|------------------------------|
| Interaction with one individual | 19 |
| Interactions with multiple individuals during one outreach effort | 8 |
| Outreach at a planned event | 2 |

A total of 75 individuals were interacted with through outreach activities.

Interactions with a Single Individual

19 individuals outreached to 8/1/2018 to 1/9/2019.

Reason for Outreach

| Reason | Number | Percentage |
|--|--------|------------|
| Referral from officer | 0 | 0 |
| Subject previously deflected but did not engage in treatment | 0 | 0 |
| Subject disengaged from treatment | 0 | 0 |
| Came across individual while in community—they approached me | 2 | 11 |
| Came across individual while in community—I approached them | 12 | 63 |
| Individual asked about additional information about substance use treatment—either for themselves or someone they know | 0 | 0 |
| Individual asked about additional information about Deflection Program—either for themselves or someone they know | 0 | 0 |
| Follow up after overdose and or administration of naran | 2 | 11 |
| Identified through interaction with law enforcement | 1 | 5 |
| Person came to police station and asked for help | 1 | 5 |
| Other | 1 | 5 |

Who was Reached?

| Type of Person | Number | Percentage |
|--|--------|------------|
| Community member | 17 | 89 |
| Organization: law enforcement | 1 | 5 |
| Organization: the courts | 0 | 0 |
| Organization: substance use treatment or other supportive services | 0 | 0 |
| TFD | 1 | 5 |

What Happened during Outreach?

| Type of Person | Number | Percentage |
|--|--------|------------|
| Talked about substance use treatment | 18 | 95 |
| Individual identified as needing substance use treatment | 13 | 68 |

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| Individual encouraged to consider substance use treatment | 18 | 95 |
| Individual offered immediate transport to substance use treatment provider | 15 | 79 |

Of the 4 individuals who were not offered immediate transport to treatment provider...

- 1 was a parent of an individual with substance use issues
- 1 was arrested for domestic violence charges. This individual was told about the program and encouraged to call law enforcement or treatment providers for transport to treatment.
- 2 individuals needed immediate hospitalization

Of the 15 individuals offered immediate transport to treatment....

- 3 were definitely not interested
- 9 were undecided/unsure – 2 (22%) of these were persuaded to be immediately transported to treatment provider
- 3 definitely wanted to do it – 3 (100%) of these were immediately transported to treatment provider

In total, 5 individuals immediately transported to treatment provider.

Where was the individual transported to?

- CODAC: 2
- CRC (Crisis Response Center): 0
- CBI (Community Bridges, Inc.): 0
- ARC (AZ Rehab Campus): 0
- Hospital: 0
- Other: 0
- Not reported: 3

Interactions with Multiple Individuals during a Single Outreach Effort

8 of this type of outreach effort were reported 10/30/2018 to 1/11/2019.

Type of Outreach Effort

| Type of Effort | Number | Percentage |
|---|---------------|-------------------|
| Went to a park to talk to whomever was there | 6 | 75 |
| Went to other public location to talk to whomever was there | 1 | 13 |
| Went to an area where homeless individuals live to talk to whomever was there | 0 | 0 |
| Referral by patrol officer to reach out to specific individuals | 1 | 13 |
| Other | 0 | 0 |

What Happened during Outreach?

30 people total were reached during these planned events. Size of the audience varied from 7-25 people.

- 1-2 people: 3
- 3-5 people: 3
- 6-10 people: 2
- 11+ people: 0

30 informational cards or fliers were distributed during these outreach efforts.

During 6 of these outreach efforts attempts were made to transport individuals to a substance use treatment provider.

Outreach at a Planned Event

2 events were reported 10/24/2018 to 1/9/2019.

Type of Planned Event

| Type of Event | Number | Percentage |
|---|--------|------------|
| Neighborhood association meeting | 0 | 0 |
| Coffee with a cop | 0 | 0 |
| Other community event | 0 | 0 |
| Deflection and/or U-MATTER education/presentation | 2 | 100 |
| Other | 0 | 0 |

Audience

| Type of Attendee | Number | Percentage |
|---|--------|------------|
| Community members | 0 | 0 |
| Law enforcement | 1 | 33 |
| People who work in courts | 1 | 33 |
| Providers of substance use treatment or other supportive services | 1 | 33 |
| Other | 0 | 0 |

What Happened during Outreach?

32 people total were reached during these planned events. Size of the audience varied from 7-25 people.

- 1-10 people: 1
- 11-25 people: 1
- 26-50 people: 0
- 51+ people: 0

40 informational cards or fliers were distributed during these events.

During these events, 0 people were identified as needing immediate transport to a substance use treatment provider.

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