

The Scarborough Police Department believes...

There is HOPE for

recovery from addiction

HEROIN – OPIATE PREVENTION EFFORT

***We want you to have hope.  
We want you to experience recovery.  
We want you to live!***

**The Impact of Addiction**

The men and women of the Scarborough Police Department see firsthand the impact of addiction. Those caught in the grip of heroin and opiate abuse feel hopeless and powerless to escape its grasp. Addiction causes pain and suffering, ruins lives, tears families apart and, all too often, results in death.

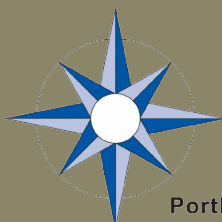
Aside from impacting those directly affected by addiction, heroin and opiate abuse serves as a major source of crime in our community. A significant number of the thefts, burglaries, robberies, and other crimes we see are committed by people struggling with addiction.

The Scarborough Police Department's Operation HOPE seeks to reduce the impact of heroin and opiate abuse on our community while encouraging those who suffer from addiction to seek help and experience recovery.

**What We Promise to Do**

- We will vigorously target and arrest those persons trafficking and dealing dangerous drugs.
- We will treat those suffering from addiction with compassion, care and concern – while fairly enforcing the law.
- We will allow you to voluntarily turn in heroin, opiates, needles and paraphernalia - - without fear of arrest.
- We will assist you in exploring recovery options and seeking help.

*In partnership with...*



**PRCC**

Portland Recovery Community Center

and



# OPERATION HOPE

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### Getting Help

To help prevent overdoses, take dangerous drugs off the street, and get you the help you need, we offer the following services:

**Drug Turn-In:** We will allow you to voluntarily turn in heroin, opiates, needles and paraphernalia - without fear of arrest. Simply come to the Scarborough Police Department and tell us that you want help under Operation HOPE. We will take possession of the items for proper, safe disposal.

**Recovery Support:** We will assist you in exploring recovery options. Through our partnership with the Police Assisted Addiction Recovery Initiative (PAARI) and the Portland Recovery Community Center (PRCC), you will be introduced to people who understand addiction and have experience in recovery. We will assign you an "Angel" to help guide you through the process and help explore treatment options.

PAARI partners police with people suffering from heroin and opiate abuse, encourages those suffering from addiction to seek recovery and helps connect them with treatment programs and facilities.

The PRCC serves as a safe haven from addiction. Its staff and volunteer members will serve as your "navigator", giving you advice, support and guidance on your road to recovery. Services available through the center include:

- *Recovery Coach Program* - A trained peer Recovery Coach will help you find support and resources to strengthen your recovery and improve your quality of life.
- *Telephone Recovery Support* – A peer support volunteer will call you once a week to "check in", make needed referrals, and help you stay connected to recovery.
- *Support Groups and Programs* – The center hosts support and recovery programs to include Heroin Anonymous, meditation, yoga, martial arts, craft groups, and dozens of others.
- *Special Events* - A chance to enjoy the company of people who are also in recovery in a healthy and safe environment. Events include Open Mic and RAP Nights; Movie Nights; Game Nights, Holiday parties, and barbecues.
- Other assistance such as employment and housing services.

*"When you're stuck in the cycle of addiction, recovery can seem out of reach. But change is possible. We stand ready to help".*

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24 Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
Wednesday  
Saturday  
Sunday

9:00AM - 8:00PM  
8:30AM- 8:00PM  
11:00AM- 7:00PM  
8:00AM - NOON



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