SAFE PASSAGE INITIATIVE
POLICE GIVING ADDICTS HOPE THROUGH THE TOOLS FOR RECOVERY

For People Suffering from Heroin or other Opiate Drug Addiction

Are you addicted to heroin or other opioids? Know someone who is?

It's time to get help!

The Dixon Police Department and Lee County Sheriffs Department have a revolutionary new policing program aimed at getting people suffering from addiction the help they need, instead of putting them in handcuffs. Lee County is changing the way they handle addicts who request help with their addiction to opiates such as Morphine, Heroin, Fentanyl, Oxycodone, Percocet® and Percodan®, and Hydrocodone as found in Vicodin®.

How does it work?

Any Lee County resident who enters the police station or sheriff's department and asks for help with their addiction to opiates will be placed into appropriate treatment.

The Safe Passage Initiative was created to help Heroin and Opiate addicts into recovery. If you need help or know someone who needs help into recovery from addiction, you just need to come to one of the stations and ask for it. We are here to help you with your steps towards recovery. There will be some paperwork that needs to be done, then they will be paired with a volunteer will help guide them through the process. We have partnered with treatment centers to ensure that our patients receive the care and treatment they deserve – not in days or weeks, but immediately.

You can bring drugs or drug paraphernalia with you to the police or sheriff's department. We will dispose of it for you. You will not be arrested. You will not be charge with a crime. You will not be jailed. You will be directed to treatment.

All you have to do is come to the police station of sheriff department and ask for help. We are here to do just that.

*Exceptions that may make someone ineligible for the program:
Outstanding Arrest Warrants; Three or more drug-related convictions; Danger to others; Under 18 without parent or guardian consent; Medical condition that may need hospitalization.

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