

**Proposed Legislation for the
November 14, 2023 City Council Meeting**

*** * Please Note * ***

**For questions regarding the proposed legislation,
call the City Clerk's Office at 585-428-7421**



City of Rochester

City Hall, 30 Church Street
Rochester, New York 14614-1284
www.cityofrochester.gov

**PUBLIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE
INTRODUCTORY NO.**

409

Miguel A. Meléndez, Jr.
City Council President
Malik D. Evans
Mayor

October 30, 2023

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:



Re: Resolution Establishing
Naloxone/NARCAN boxes in City-
Owned Public Buildings

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation establishing Naloxone Boxes in all City-owned public buildings.

In 2023 alone, the County of Monroe has seen 2,295 opioid overdoses, with over 200 resulting in fatalities. The majority of people reported to have overdosed in Monroe County during the past year were people of color. The week of October 13, 2023, for instance, saw 32 opioid overdoses – seven of which were fatalities.

This problem is growing, as the reported overdose and fatality statistics cited for 2023 already are more than three times those reported for all of 2022.

In an effort to save lives, Monroe County has a program to place, restock and maintain boxes containing Naloxone in spaces where they can be readily accessed. This program is similar in concept to the placement of defibrillator devices where they can be used to potentially save a life while waiting for EMS services to arrive.

While the real solution to the opioid crisis lies in treatment, this life saving measure is an important step to save lives now.

Respectfully submitted,

Miguel A. Meléndez, Jr.
City Council President

Malik D. Evans
Mayor

RECEIVED
CITY OF ROCHESTER
CLERK/COUNCIL OFFICE
2023 OCT 30 P 1:04

INTRODUCTORY NO.

409

Resolution No.

Resolution establishing Naloxone boxes in City public buildings

WHEREAS, City Council and the Administration are committed to promoting public safety and protecting the citizens of Rochester;

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic is impacting our community and its people at an unprecedented level due to overdoses and deaths related to opioid addiction;

WHEREAS, the widespread availability and use of Naloxone, one form of which is trademarked as NARCAN[®], is a proven way to prevent some deaths from opioid overdoses;

WHEREAS, both City Council and the Administration will continue to advocate for greater treatment access and options for those affected by opioid addiction; and

WHEREAS, while advocating for treatment, the City will make Naloxone readily available in its buildings that are accessible to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. The City of Rochester will make Naloxone available in all public buildings that it owns and operates.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.



**FINANCE
INTRODUCTORY NO.**

410



November 1, 2023

MAYOR 12

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: City Support of Neighborhood Ambassador Programs

Council Priority: Creating and Sustaining a Culture of Vibrancy, Jobs and Economic Development

Comprehensive Plan 2034 Initiative Area:
Reinforcing Strong Neighborhoods, Fostering Prosperity and Opportunity

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation to appropriate funding and authorize agreements with two Community Based Organizations (CBOs) for pilot Neighborhood Ambassador Programs. This legislation will authorize the appropriation of the following funding source:

- \$250,000 in Restricted Opioid settlement funds received in the Opioid Compensation Fund authorized in Ordinance No. 2022-266 for pilot programs in the North Clinton Avenue and Jefferson Avenue areas

Two programs will be initiated over the coming 12 months: North Clinton Avenue Ambassador Program and Jefferson Avenue Ambassador Program.

These pilot programs will be partnerships with established Community Based Organizations (CBOs) in each neighborhood, which will be selected by the administration. These programs will be designed to activate people who live in each neighborhood to help address the unique needs and opportunities there.

Ambassadors will be hired and trained by partner CBOs, and must be city residents, preferably from each specific neighborhood. Responsibilities will include: engaging with residents, workers and visitors; providing referrals to local resources; supporting beautification and anti-litter efforts; connecting to critical mental health and addiction prevention services; and offering information.

Respectfully submitted,

Malik D. Evans
Mayor

Miguel A. Meléndez, Jr.
City Council President

RECEIVED
CITY OF ROCHESTER
CLERK/COUNCIL OFFICE
2023 NOV -1 P 1:11



INTRODUCTORY NO.

Mayor #12

410

Ordinance No.

Appropriating Opioid Compensation funds for Neighborhood Ambassador Programs

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. The sum of \$250,000 is hereby appropriated from the Restricted Account of the Opioid Compensation Fund established pursuant to §8.5 of the Municipal Code to implement a Neighborhood Ambassador Program in each of the North Clinton Avenue and Jefferson Avenue areas of the city.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.