



STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #: 23-12
COUNCIL MTG OF: January 17, 2023
FROM: David Caron, Town Administrator
OFFERED BY: Chief George R. Feole
Chief James Richardson
PREPARED BY: Captain David M. Michaud
SUBJECT: South Central Public Health Network donation of Narcan to the community

PURPOSE: Consider accepting a gift of Narcan Outreach Bags and Naloxboxes from the South-Central Public Health Network.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS: The Town Council is urged to consider and accept this gift as furthering public safety in the community. Further, the Resolution authorizes the future acceptance of additional resources up to a cumulative value of \$5,000 after which a public hearing would be required per state statute.

BACKGROUND: Recently the police department became aware that the South-Central Public Health Network is willing to fund an outreach program for distribution of Narcan within the community. They have offered twenty-five (25) Narcan Outreach bags to start, which have a value of \$4.00 each and a cumulative value of \$100. They are also willing to continue to contribute these bags to the community moving forward, as needed. These bags include Narcan, a CPR face shield, guidance for use, and a fentanyl test strip.

Additionally, the South-Central Public Health Network has received funding to provide Naloxboxes, which have a value of \$350 each, to communities. Currently, Derry is eligible to receive one of these boxes. We are told the South-Central Public Health Network should be able to provide more of these boxes to the Town. In consulting with the Derry Fire Department, the belief is that these boxes would be most effective if placed near the AED's we currently have in public buildings within the community. These boxes contain Narcan, a CPR mask, and instructions for use.

Partnering with the SCPHN and receiving these kits will provide citizens with easily accessible Narcan. The Derry Police and Derry Fire Departments would each keep a stock of the Narcan bags for outreach within the community. The Naloxboxes would provide citizens in public locations (starting with one location) with quick access to Narcan, should it be needed.

DISCUSSION: The Town Charter, specifically section 9.15 titled Grants, Gifts, specifies in part, *The Town Council may apply for, accept, and expend monies received from the State, Federal, or other governmental units, or from private sources which become available during the fiscal*

year. As a result, the departments are seeking Town Council's approval to accept the gift of the Narcan Outreach Bags and Naloxboxes from the South-Central Public Health Network.

FISCAL IMPACT: The acceptance of this gift will have a positive impact on the budget since it will cover the cost of Narcan distribution within the community.

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY COUNCIL: It is recommended that the Town Council accept the gift of Narcan Outreach Bags (\$100 value) and a single Naloxon Box (\$350 value), with a total value of \$450 from the South-Central Public Health Network. It is further recommended that the council authorize the acceptance of additional Outreach Bags and Naloxon boxes, moving forward.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: See Resolution Number 23-010



RESOLUTION

Number 2023-010

To Accept a Gift from the South-Central Public Health Network

WHEREAS, RSA 31:95-e authorizes the Town Council to accept gifts, other than money, to be used for any public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the South-Central Public Health Network provides resources to safeguard the public health; and

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic has impacted the Greater Derry area and resources are now available to help mitigate this public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, the Town may receive an initial gift of 25 Narcan Outreach bags and a Naloxbox, which is to be placed in the Derry Municipal Center;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED IN COUNCIL that the Town Administrator is hereby authorized to accept a gift of personal property at a value of \$450 from the South-Central Public Health Network for public health resources to combat the opioid epidemic;

Further, the Town Administrator is authorized to accept future gifts of this nature up to a cumulative value of \$5,000.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Adopted: January 17, 2023

Attest:

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Joshua Bourdon, Council Chair

Date: _____

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Cristina Guilford, Town Clerk

Date: _____

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