

DATE	OUTLET	TYPE (Print, TV, Radio)	LINK	SUBJECT
1/9/26	Block Club Chicago	Print/digital	https://blockclubchicago.org/2026/01/09/opioid-task-force-moves-office-to-west-side-corner-thats-epicenter-of-fentanyl-crisis/	WSHOTF move to new office at epicenter of opioid crisis
1/5/25	Chicago Tribune	Print	https://www.chicagotribune.com/2026/01/05/fentanyl-detection-reduce-overdose/?share=p0crchu0gtsoecwudmue	New Fentanyl test strips
12/30/25	WGN TV	TV	https://wgntv.com/news/chicago-news/chicago-task-force-teams-distribute-free-fentanyl-test-strips-to-help-prevent-overdoses/	New Fentanyl test strips
	NBC TV	TV	https://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/outreach-workers-distribute-new-fentanyl-detection-devices-in-chicago-neighborhoods/3869633/#	New Fentanyl test strips
	FOX TV	TV	https://www.fox32chicago.com/news/fentanyl-detection-devices-distributed-chicagos-west-side#	New laws--data collection re: overdose, also new test strips
11/18/25	Wednesday Journal	Print/digital	https://www.oakpark.com/2025/11/18/a-beacon-of-hope-in-our-troubled-world/	Narcan on CTA Pilot
9/24/25	WTTW	TV	https://news.wttw.com/2025/09/24/new-campaign-aims-combat-opioid-overdoses-chicago-free-narcan	Narcan on CTA Pilot
8/29/25	Austin Weekly News	Print/digital	https://www.austinweeklynews.com/2025/08/29/west-side-heroin-and-opioid-taskforce/	IOAD
3/7/2025	WGN	TV	https://youtu.be/CQdj4mVYKI?si=4JU0BO02_9101gF0	Medicaid cuts effect on harm reduction
3/7/2025	Chicago Sun times	Print/digital	https://chicago.suntimes.com/health/2025/03/07/as-medicare-cuts-loom-patients-officials-defend-care-for-chronic-pain-behavioral-health-and-addiction	Medicaid cuts effect on behavioral health
1/8/2025	Block Club Chicago	Digital	https://blockclubchicago.org/2025/01/08/cook-county-saw-a-sharp-decline-in-overdose-deaths-in-2024-amid-outreach-efforts/	
			https://youtu.be/CQdj4mVYKI?si=4JU0BO02_9101gF0	
12/20/2024	Chicago Sun-Times	Print/digital	https://chicago.suntimes.com/the-watchdogs/opioid-fentanyl-drug-narcan-overdose-black-men-chicago?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=12202024+Special+Edition&utm_content=12202024+Special+Edition+CID_50435c7e589ca733b22060fe24ff3414&utm_source=cst_campaign_monitor&utm_term=Opioids+have+been+killing+the+same+generation+of+Black+men+in+Chicago+for+decades&tpcc=cst_cm	Greater risk for Black men born 1951-1970
5/16/2024	NBC Chicago	TV	https://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/as-opioid-overdoses-surge-in-5-neighborhoods-chicago-doubles-down-on-solutions/3439277/	Ralph McNabb featured
1/5/23	WGN	TV	https://wgntv.com/news/chicago-news/west-side-organization-offers-training-for-responding-to-opioid-overdoses/	
1/5/2023	CBS Chicago	TV	https://www.cbsnews.com/chicago/news/west-side-organization-reverse-opioid-overdoses/	Gail Richardson featured
12/27/2022	Chicago Sun-Times	Print/digital	https://chicago.suntimes.com/2022/12/27/23517734/opioid-overdoses-prevention-sites-safe-injection-west-side-tanya-sorrell-hashawn-ford-op-ed	Op-ed by Rep. Ford and Dr. Tanya Sorrell
8/26/22	ABC7	TV	https://abc7chicago.com/post/opioid-crisis-chicago-drugs-north-lawndale-overdose/12169902/?userab=abcn_du_cat_topic_feature_holdout-474*variant_b_redesign-1939%2Cabcn_popular_reads_exp-497*variant_a_control-2076%2Cabcn_ad_cadence-481*control-a-1962%2Cabcn_news_for_you_exp-496*variant_a_control-2074	Safe Use sites
8/1/22	WBEZ	Radio	https://www.wbez.org/reset-with-sasha-ann-simons/2022/08/01/how-illinois-plans-to-spend-760m-from-opioid-settlement	Lee Rusch, Luther Syas, Dave Jimenz
7/24/22	Chicago Sun-Times	Print/digital	https://chicago.suntimes.com/news/2022/7/24/23191787/novel-harm-reduction-site-west-side-opioid-users	
5/11/2022	The Garfield/Lawndale Voice	Print	https://www.p2online.net/_files/ugd/2e27c8_8639bb77c1d44afb16cf85cc892f068.pdf	Meeting at Lawndale Christian Health Center

3/21/22	ABC7	TV	https://abc7chicago.com/post/illinois-governor-jb-pritzker-drug-addiction-behavioral-health-overdose-action-plan/11669554/?userab=abcn_du_cat_topic_feature_holdout-474*variant_b_redesign-1939%2Cabcn_popular_reads_exp-497*variant_a_control-2076%2Cabcn_ad_cadence-481*control-a-1962%2Cabcn_news_for_you_exp-496*variant_a_control-2074	Gov. Pritzker overdose action plan, Gail Richardson featured
1/10/22	Chicago Sun-Times	Print/digital	https://chicago.suntimes.com/2022/1/10/22872675/chicago-public-library-overdose-reversal-medication-narcans-opioids-public-health	Op-Ed on public libraries stocking Narcan
8/31/21	WGN	TV	https://wgntv.com/news/international-overdose-awareness-day-event-held-in-west-garfield-park/	
8/19/21	Block Club Chicago	Digital	https://blockclubchicago.org/2021/08/19/opioid-related-deaths-still-high-after-a-brutal-2020-and-the-west-side-remains-the-epicenter-of-the-crisis/	photo of outreach team; scatter plot of overdoses
12/12/20	South Side Weekly	Digital	https://southsideweekly.com/south-side-stakeholders-unite-as-task-force-to-fight-opioid-epidemic/	
8/27/20	Block Club Chicago	Digital	https://blockclubchicago.org/2020/08/27/west-side-overdoses-surge-as-coronavirus-shutdown-makes-it-harder-to-access-addiction-help/	
2/4/20	Block Club Chicago	Digital	https://blockclubchicago.org/2020/02/04/new-tv-show-explores-the-opioid-crisis-out-west-as-told-by-the-people-who-experienced-it/	article on the cable show Vee Harrison hosted
11/4/19	Block Club Chicago	Digital	https://blockclubchicago.org/2019/11/04/west-side-residents-are-getting-trained-to-use-narcan-to-reverse-opioid-overdoses/	
8/31/16	Loretto Hospital	Webpage	https://www.lorettohospital.org/about-us/in-the-news/2017/october/the-west-side-heroin-task-force-shined-spotlight/	
8/31/16	Crain's Chicago Business	Print/digital	https://www.chicagobusiness.com/article/20160831/OPINION/160839976/chicago-heroin-overdose-epidemic-worsens-on-west-side	