**Harm Reduction Community Advisory Board**

**8/12/2020**

**Via Zoom**

In Attendance: Peet B, Jessica O, Lesley Sampson, Linda Bryan, Michael Bradley, Owen O, Katelyn Shephard, Jack Latchford, Keith Lucia ,Jason, Jerry Blevins, Jack Kristofik, Jessica Messner, Zach Kosinski.

1. Introductions
2. HCHD Updates
   1. Syringe Kiosk
      1. 20-25 pounds dropped off so far
   2. Tried for syringe voucher program
      1. Waiting for new Health Officer for decision
   3. Covid-19
   4. Overdose Survivor Outreach
      1. Connecting individuals with services
   5. Recent spike in overdoses, many repeat overdoses
      1. Fatal overdoses steady
   6. New leadership at Crisis Center
3. Direction of Harm Reduction work in the County
   1. CDC - What’s working
      1. MAT-
         1. 7 providers in county
         2. Prior auth barrier, able to start medicine right away
      2. Naloxone distribution
         1. Issues at HarCo jail, hopefully resolved soon when we return
      3. Targeted Naloxone Distribution slowed down but is picking back up
      4. SSP, not yet but hopeful
         1. Voices of Hope Cecil has application for SSP that would cover Cecil and Harford
         2. Continuing to look for political help
         3. Need more Allies in HARCO
4. Workgroup/Organization Updates
   1. LEAD- Crime is down so fewer referrals
      1. Looking for social referrals to the program