WEPA
We Engage in Prevention Awareness

COMMUNITY DATA, STRATEGY & REPORTS

Community Impact Report 2025–2026

Rooted in community, growing together. Prevention begins with relationships: with parents seeking support, young people navigating challenges, and partners opening their doors.

Area	Program year	Published
Bronx, NY	2025–2026	October 2026

EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAMS

Supporting youth and families

PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

Triple P and Teen Triple P

87 parents and caregivers served

Practical parenting strategies, communication, and stronger family relationships at Greenhope, La Casita III, and Lorraine Montenegro treatment centers.

SUPPORTED BY OASAS

STUDENTS

Support for Students Exposed to Trauma (SSET)

120 students served

Helping young people at Creo College Prep and Bronx Theatre High School build skills to cope with stress and trauma.

SUPPORTED BY OASAS

YOUTH

LifeSkills Training

93 youth engaged

35 students at Bronx Theatre High School during the school year and 58 youth at Davidson Community Center over the summer, building healthy decision-making skills.

SUPPORTED BY DFC

TEENS & FAMILIES

Teen Intervene

Early intervention support for young people experiencing substance use concerns, helping them examine their choices and develop healthier behaviors.

SUPPORTED BY OASAS

ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE STRATEGIES

Keep Our Kids Safe

Community tabling, neighborhood events, and partner outreach connected residents with medication safety education and practical tools for safer storage and disposal.

3,889
prevention materials distributed, including palm cards

204
medication lock bags and boxes distributed*

955
drug destruction kits, including Deterra bags*

60
Narcan kits distributed following overdose prevention training

*Reported for July 2025–August 2026. Each figure is a separate measure. These numbers describe outreach and distribution activities, not changes in substance use. Keep Our Kids Safe is supported by OASAS.

Need help now? Call or text **988**, the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline, available 24/7.

NYS OASAS HOPEline: **1-877-8-HOPENY** (1-877-846-7369) or text **HOPENY** (467369)

SAFE DISPOSAL & OVERDOSE PREVENTION

Year-round medication drop box

Tremont Healthy Pharmacy offers a permanent medication drop box, giving residents a year-round disposal option. WEPA promotes the service through Keep Our Kids Safe outreach. Follow the posted instructions and ask pharmacy staff which items are accepted.

Overdose prevention and Narcan training

King of Glory Tabernacle hosted training in collaboration with the New York National Guard Counterdrug Task Force, with 60 confirmed Narcan kits distributed following training.

TRANSIT ADVERTISING

Alcohol prevention bus shelters

Shelter ads encouraged adults not to provide alcohol to minors, promoted conversations with teens, and invited residents to join the Community Partners in Prevention Pledge to Prevent Youth Access to Alcohol.

SUPPORTED BY DFC

Prescription Drug Take Back

Bus shelters and interior bus cards reinforced safe medication disposal in everyday public spaces.

Bx3 Bx18 Bx32 Bx36 Bx40 Bx42

Shelters: University Ave between W. Tremont Ave and W. 176th St · Edward L. Grant Hwy at University Ave · Morris Ave between E. 168th and E. 169th Sts

IN THE NEWS

Featured twice in the Norwood News

One article promoted Take Back Day and encouraged residents to make every day a take-back day through year-round safe medication disposal.

PARTNERSHIPS & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

King of Glory Tabernacle

Community tabling at Protect the Peace and Men's Ministry outreach. Through Outreach Serving Our Community, the ministry partnered with Groundswell/WEPA to offer food and water while creating opportunities for connection and prevention education.

Bronx Theatre High School parent retreat

WEPA partnered with the school's parent coordinator to host a parent retreat featuring Safe Conversations, creating space for listening, respectful communication, and connection.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

Building prevention leaders

WEPA sponsored 10 participants, including three youth, to attend CADCA training in Washington, D.C., and Florida. Participants included coalition members, community partners, and Community Board 5 representation.

OUR CAMPAIGNS

Keep Our Kids Safe
Opioid and prescription medication misuse prevention through safe storage, monitoring, and disposal.

Sticker Shock
Underage drinking prevention, including adult responsibility for preventing youth alcohol access.

Legal Does Not Mean Safe
Marijuana misuse prevention education.

GET INVOLVED

Join the coalition and help build a healthier Bronx.

Request a program, request prevention resources, or become a community partner.

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