

# Community Response to Substance Abuse

Townsend is impacted by substance abuse of all kinds. Our community has had a disproportionately larger problem with opiate addiction than most of Massachusetts and for a longer time. The opiate problem is not happening somewhere else. Everyone in Townsend is impacted in some way.

We are committed to making a difference for those impacted by substance abuse.

The Problem

<http://www.mass.gov/chapter55/#future>

Nationwide treatment locator for substance abuse and mental health

<https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/locator/home>

A comprehensive regional resource guide

<http://www.moar-recovery.org/resources>

Massachusetts mental health and substance abuse helpline

<https://helplinema.org>

Information about the extent of the problem in Massachusetts and what the state is doing to help.

<https://www.mass.gov/massachusetts-responds-to-the-opioid-epidemic>

North Middlesex Cares (NM Cares)

<https://www.facebook.com/nm.cares>

The Physiology of Addiction – Dr. Ruth Potee

<https://ruthpotee.com/presentations/>

NARCAN Training

<http://www.northcentralmass.com/narcan-training-free-open-to-the-public-no-registration-required/>

The above list is not an all-encompassing list of resources but is a start.