

PUBLIC HEALTH VENDING MACHINE PILOT PROGRAM

CDPH operates 5 Public Health Vending Machines in Chicago to extend harm reduction and overdose prevention supplies to people in Chicago at no cost. Individuals may request PIN codes to access materials.

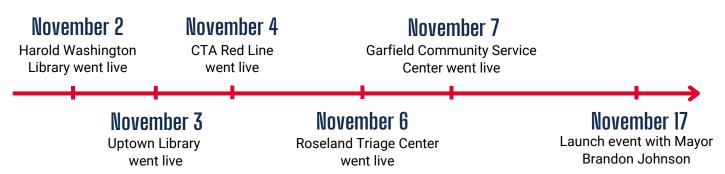
OVERVIEW

- This is a one year pilot program.
 CDPH will evaluate the
 effectiveness and feasibility of
 operating this type of harm
 reduction program.
- All five machines have Narcan (naloxone), the medication that reverses an opioid overdose. The machines also contain a variety of harm reduction materials.
- PIN codes are used to access the machines.
- No individual PIN code is needed to access Narcan in the machines, simply key in "1234" and the item number. This information is also available on every machine.
- Visit chicago.gov/vendingmachines to learn more or request a PIN code. PIN codes are also available through select partner agencies.

Uptown Library 929 W Buena Ave. front lobby **Garfield Community Harold Washington Service Center** Library 10 S Kedzie. 400 S State St, main lobby, 1st floor 3rd floor 95th/Dan Ryan Red **Line CTA Station** 14 W 95th St, North Terminal outside the turnstile **Roseland Community Triage Center** 200 E 115th St main entryway

LOCATIONS & TIMELINE

CDPH chose the five locations for the vending machines based on a series of focus groups and surveys with people who use drugs, providers, and community members, as well as data analysis related to overdose hotspots. The pilot program operates in the North, West, Central, and South parts of the city in order to understand access and engagement in these different areas.



IMPACT: NOVEMBER 2, 2023 - JULY 31, 2024

As of July 31, 2024, 2,148 pin codes were distributed and a total of 9,044 products were distributed from all 5 machines.



NARCAN (naloxone) 1,294 Boxes



FENTANYL TEST KITS 546 Kits



XYLAZINE TEST KITS 286 Kits



GENERAL HYGIENE KITS 2.674 Kits



MENSTRUAL HYGIENE KITS 1.081 Kits



SOCKS & UNDERWEAR 3.163 Kits



Of those who completed optional survey questions while obtaining a PIN code:

Housing

Of the 1,794 people who reported this information:

- 42% reported being unhoused, living with someone else, or living in a shelter
- 42% reported renting/owning an apartment or home
- 15% reported other

Experienced or Witnessed an Overdose

Of the 1,731 people who reported this information, **17**% reported experiencing an overdose in their lifetime.

Of the 1,760 people who reported this information, **42**% reported witnessing someone experiencing an overdose in their lifetime.

Demographics

- 596 individuals identified as women & 918 identified as men
- The majority of individuals who self-reported race, were **Black or African American**
- The age of individuals ranged from 15 to 88 years

