

**PEOPLE WHO USE
DRUGS DO NOT
DESERVE TO DIE.**



**WE MUST PRIORITIZE
PUBLIC HEALTH & THE VOICES
OF PEOPLE WITH LIVED
EXPERIENCES TO SAVE LIVES.**

ME-RAP's 131st MAINE Legislative Platform

We stand with policies and policy makers that work to redefine and reimagine

JUSTICE

- By decriminalizing all drug possession for personal use.
- By supporting diversion and reentry services for justice-involved individuals.
- By legalizing overdose prevention sites to support people who use drugs.
- By funding and supporting safe supply through drug checking initiatives in partnership with syringe services programs and harm reduction services.

ACCESS

- By supporting the expansion of low-barrier, community-based detox, inpatient treatment, and housing options around the state.
- By protecting, expanding, and investing in community-based access to naloxone and harm reduction programs.
- By using cannabis tax revenue and opioid settlement funds to support community-based programming.

CONNECTION

- By building sustainability in the recovery, harm reduction, justice-impacted, and mental health networks.
- By supporting young people with access to naloxone by implementing harm reduction curriculum in schools.
- By requiring harm reduction and mental health education and training for all law enforcement officials.

RECOVERY

- By investing in grassroots recovery community organizations in every county in Maine.
- By paying recovery coaches, CIPPS providers, and harm reduction professionals a livable wage.
- By supporting and incentivizing the employment of people with lived experiences.

All of these pillars are woven together with an expectation that there will be equitable access for marginalized communities, while addressing racial disparities, removing barriers, and expanding culturally appropriate services, regardless of neighborhood, race, age, gender, sexual orientation, recovery pathway, insurance or socioeconomic status.

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