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## FREE COMMUNITY TRAINING IN GOODMAN

MENOMINEE, MI – The M&M Area Community Foundation (MMACF) is extending an invitation to community members across Marinette and Menominee Counties to participate in the Safeguarding Our Communities program training. It will take place at noon on Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup> and will last approximately one hour. It provides an overview of opioids, suggests actions to address problems, demonstrates how to administer Narcan and highlights the Syringe Service Programs run by local Public Health departments. Those attending this training will be eligible to receive a free personal medication lock box, as well as Narcan treatments.

Participation includes in-person training at Goodman-Armstrong Creek Schools (lunch will be available at 11:30am, compliments of the MMACF). Or, people may participate remotely (virtually) via the Community Foundation's GoToMeeting account. All those who are interested in attending, either in-person or virtually, should register with the Community Foundation. Participation is cost-free.

Recent data shows that Marinette County has an average of 14.8 deaths per 100,000 residents, which is lower than the Wisconsin average of 22.4 per 100,000. Menominee County averages 36.8 overdose deaths per 100,000, which is well above the Michigan average of 26.9. Menominee County has the highest overdose death rate in all the counties reported in the Upper Peninsula.

To register for the training, community members should contact the Foundation at 906-864-3599 or paula.gruszynski@mmacf.org.

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Participants are eligible to receive a \$40 personal drug lock box for free