



2014

Middletown spends

\$1.5 million

directly related to
the heroin epidemic



Middletown Heroin Summit

Produces Proactive Plan to Address
Addiction – At a time when other
communities were afraid to publicly discuss
the problem.



Ongoing Media Exposure

"Hillbilly Elegy" author on Charlottesville violence, white supremacy

THE LIVES OF POOR WHITE PEOPLE

Q&A: Trump and the 'Hillbilly Elegy' effect

'Hillbilly Elegy' made J.D. Vance the voice of the Rust Belt. But does he want that job?

Compassion, and Criticism, for the White Working Class

From 'Trump Survival Guide' to 'Hillbilly Elegy,' book publishing turns to all things political

"Hillbilly Elegy" author J.D. Vance predicts "buyer's remorse" among Trump voters if harsh healthcare bill passes.

Does 'Hillbilly Elegy' really foretell Trump's rise?



The Fuse is Lit

Ohio Town Considers Imposing a 3-Strike Policy on Heroin Overdoses

Ohio councilman: After 2 overdoses, no more EMS

Middletown official pitches 'three strikes, you're out' Narcan plan

ONE WAY TO END THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC. LET THEM DIE

Let overdoses die? Ohio councilman stuns with his take on opioid abuse

Treating addiction with cruelty

Ohio Politician Wants Opioid Overdose Victims to Be Left to Die

Let them die? A controversial proposal about heroin

Why one Ohio lawmaker wants first responders to ignore opioid overdose calls

One politician's solution to the overdose problem: Let addicts die

Ohio Has So Many Overdoses They're Considering A Three Strike Rule



The International Response

Yahoo.com:

Middletown, Ohio, a city under siege:
'Everyone I know is on heroin'

Middletown on pace to double drug overdoses from last year

Police: 5 overdoses in same Middletown home

Heroin 'eating' Middletown's public safety services

Heroin's grip in Middletown: 5 things to know

Opioid addiction: How Ohio has become the epicenter



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Memo to Economic Development:

**Please go recruit quality businesses, jobs and families
to move to Middletown....**



U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

For Every One Opiate Related Death:

- **10 are Admitted for Treatment**
- **32 Visit the Emergency Room**
- **130 Are Dependent on Drugs**



Middletown had 64 Opiate
Related Deaths in 2016

U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

For Every One Opiate Related Death:

- **2,048 are Admitted for Treatment**
- **2,048 Visit the Emergency Room**
- **8,320 Are Dependent on Drugs**



Progress Made...

2017 Overdoses

<u>Month:</u>	<u>Fatal</u>	<u>Non Fatal</u>	<u>Total</u>
January	10	53	63
February	7	52	59
March	9	100	109
April	12	139	151
May	11	107	118
June	8	113	121
July	4	73	77
August	2	68	70
September	1	31	32

Middletown heroin response team reaches addicts to save lives

Middletown 5K's proceeds to help heroin addicts

Leaders share ideas to tackle heroin in Middletown

Overdoses Down: Middletown makes progress in fight against heroin



Progress Made...

At What Long Term Cost...?



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