



# BENTON COUNTY SYRINGE LITTER

Harm Reduction ECHO November 1, 2022

# HARM REDUCTION CLIENTS

- We always encourage clients to bring back used syringes
- We explain that it's important for us to collect used syringes, as a component of our syringe service program
- We are a needs-based program, but we also ask clients to bring back as many needles as possible



# WE ARE A COMMUNITY RESOURCE



- If a community member finds improperly disposed syringes, they can call our harm reduction team to come out and pick them up.
- This protects community members from accidental needle sticks
- This builds trust with community members, and helps them have a positive experience interacting with the Harm Reduction Program

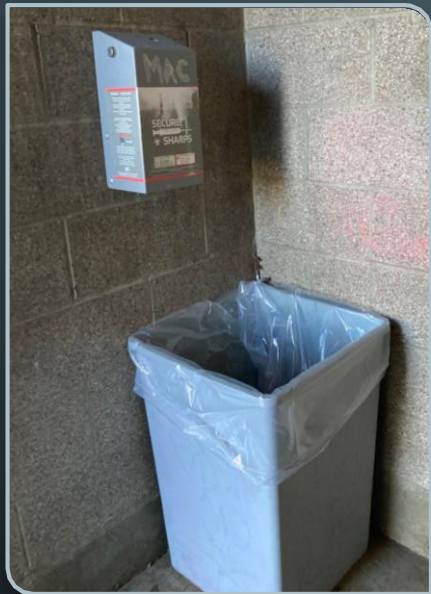
# BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE CITY PARKS DEPARTMENT AND OTHER AGENCIES



Some of the drop boxes we have purchased are maintained by the harm reduction team, others are maintained by the City of Corvallis Parks Department. We cover the disposal of all sharps collected in the community and we train employees on how to safely collect sharps.

We are also available to come to camp cleanups / sweeps to pick up and dispose of syringe litter.

# INDIVIDUAL DROP BOXES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE PUBLIC RESTROOMS IN DOWNTOWN CORVALLIS



# INDIVIDUAL SYRINGE DROP BOXES INSIDE OUR SHOWER TRAILER

The shower trailer is located outside the Men's Shelter, which became a Hygiene Center during COVID-19.



# INDIVIDUAL SYRINGE DROP BOXES INSIDE OUR SHOWER TRAILER

The drop box for the  
wheelchair  
accessible bathroom  
is lower, so it is also  
accessible.



# LARGE DROP BOXES

We have 3 large capacity drop boxes in the community, and will be purchasing and placing more boxes with funding from Measure 110.

