

FY2024 Buncombe County Tipping Point Grant Report

Table 1

Organization Name:	The Steady Collective
Project Name:	Peer Harm Reduction Engagement Efforts

Activities Accomplished	Annual Goal	Amount Completed
# of Monthly Peer Advisory Council meetings held	12	6
# of individuals participating in Peer Advisory Council	48	24
# of community member encounters leading to peer education	120	83
# of community members certified in NARCAN administration	60	56
# of harm reduction kits distributed by peer distributors	480	480

Expenses (please list <u>all</u> grant related expenses)	Amount Spent
Peer Distribution Stipends	\$ 1,800.00
Participant Advisory Council Stipends	\$ 960.00
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TOTAL: \$ 2,760.00

Narrative summary of grant related activities

Since the start of the award time, Steady has lead 6 Participant Advisory Council meetings to identify ways to more effectively and efficiently meet the needs of the community. These meetings have been the catalyst to positive change in locations Steady operates mobile outreach, supplies provided to better suit participant needs, additions to wound care practices, and personal care products available at outreach. Peer Distributors have provided 480 harm reduction kits to community members that cannot utilize our mobile SSP services or reach other brick and mortar SSP locations. These kits ensure that more community members have access to safe supplies, harm reduction services, and life-saving naloxone. With the base of the Tipping Point funding, we have secured further funds to extend the Peer Distribution Program from 2 month distributors to 4 and a Supervisor Peer Distributor. This expansion has allowed us to reach even more community members in need of harm reduction services. Peer Distributors have educated peers on outreach sites and times in the community, safer injection methods, drug testing practices, safe disposal, and overdose recognition and reversal. Through peer-to-peer education, Peer Distributors have reported that over 80 individuals have been educated on the above listed resources and over 50 individuals have been trained in overdose recognition, reversal, and safe naloxone use.