

Kent County Opioid Safety and Overdose Prevention

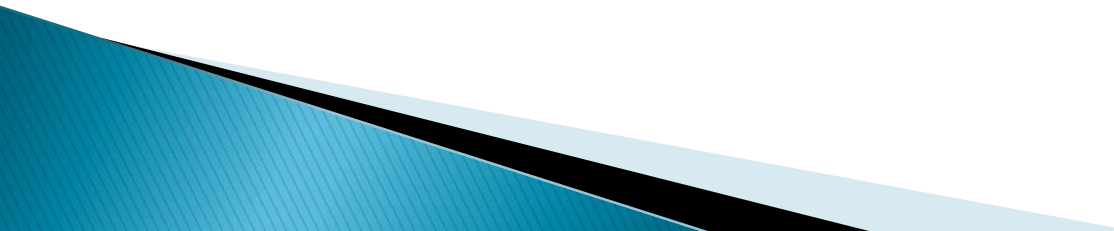
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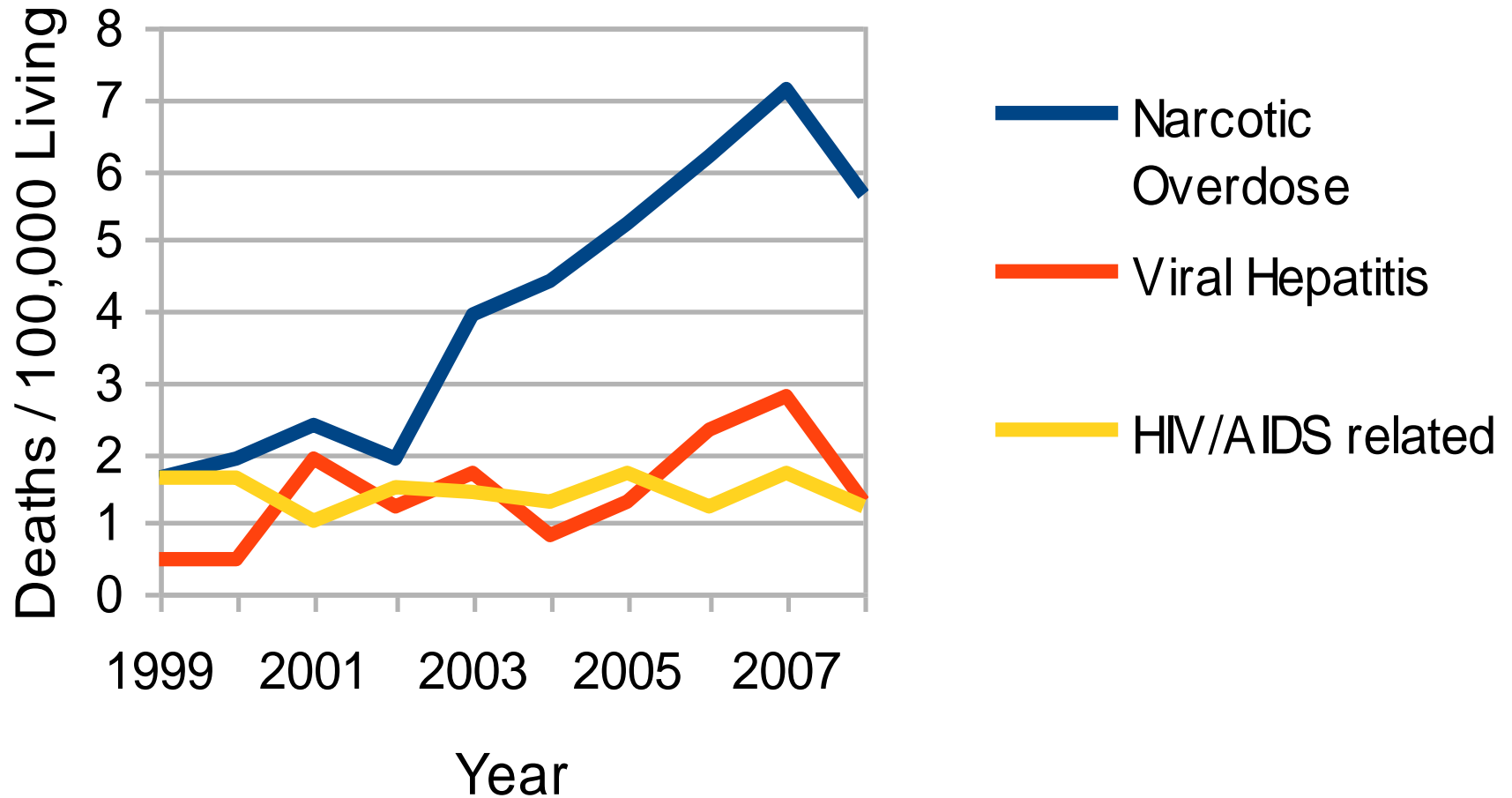
The Red Project

- ▶ Established in 1998 to bridge gaps in service delivery for communities affected by HIV
 - ▶ Mission: Improve Health, Reduce Risk, Prevent HIV
 - ▶ Provide access to knowledge, tools, information, and support needed to stay healthy
 - ▶ Health Issues: HIV, Hepatitis C, and Overdose
 - ▶ People Who Inject – Sterile Syringes
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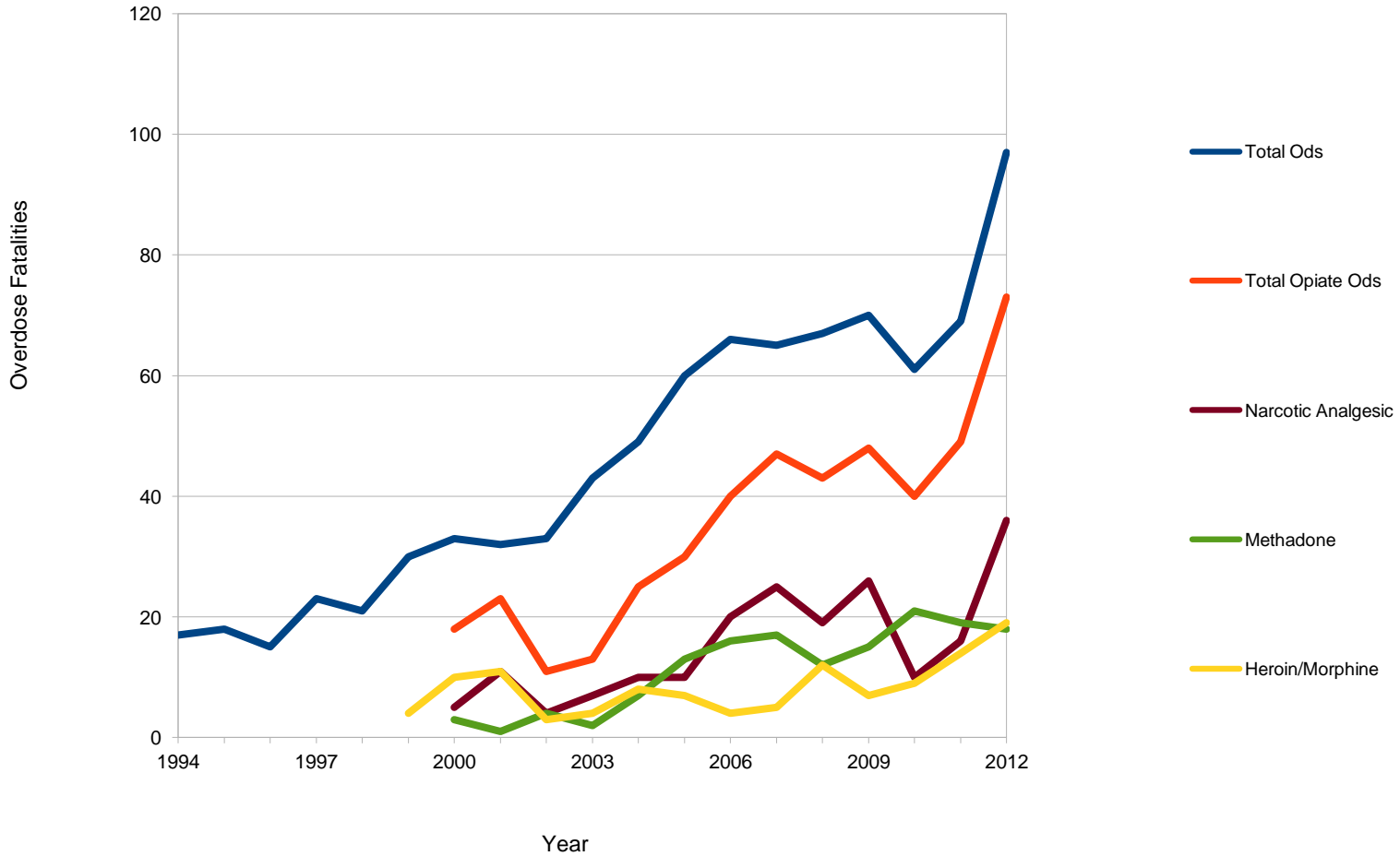
The Clean Works Program

- ▶ Established in August of 2000
 - 25% of all HIV/AIDS cases in KC are related to IDU
 - Open from a downtown fixed site location 2 nights a week
- ▶ 2011 / 2012 Expansion & Mobile Health Unit
 - Currently open 6 days a week from 5 different locations
 - Currently less than 10% of HIV/AIDS case related to IDU
- ▶ Huge success in reducing the spread of HIV/AIDS among people who inject

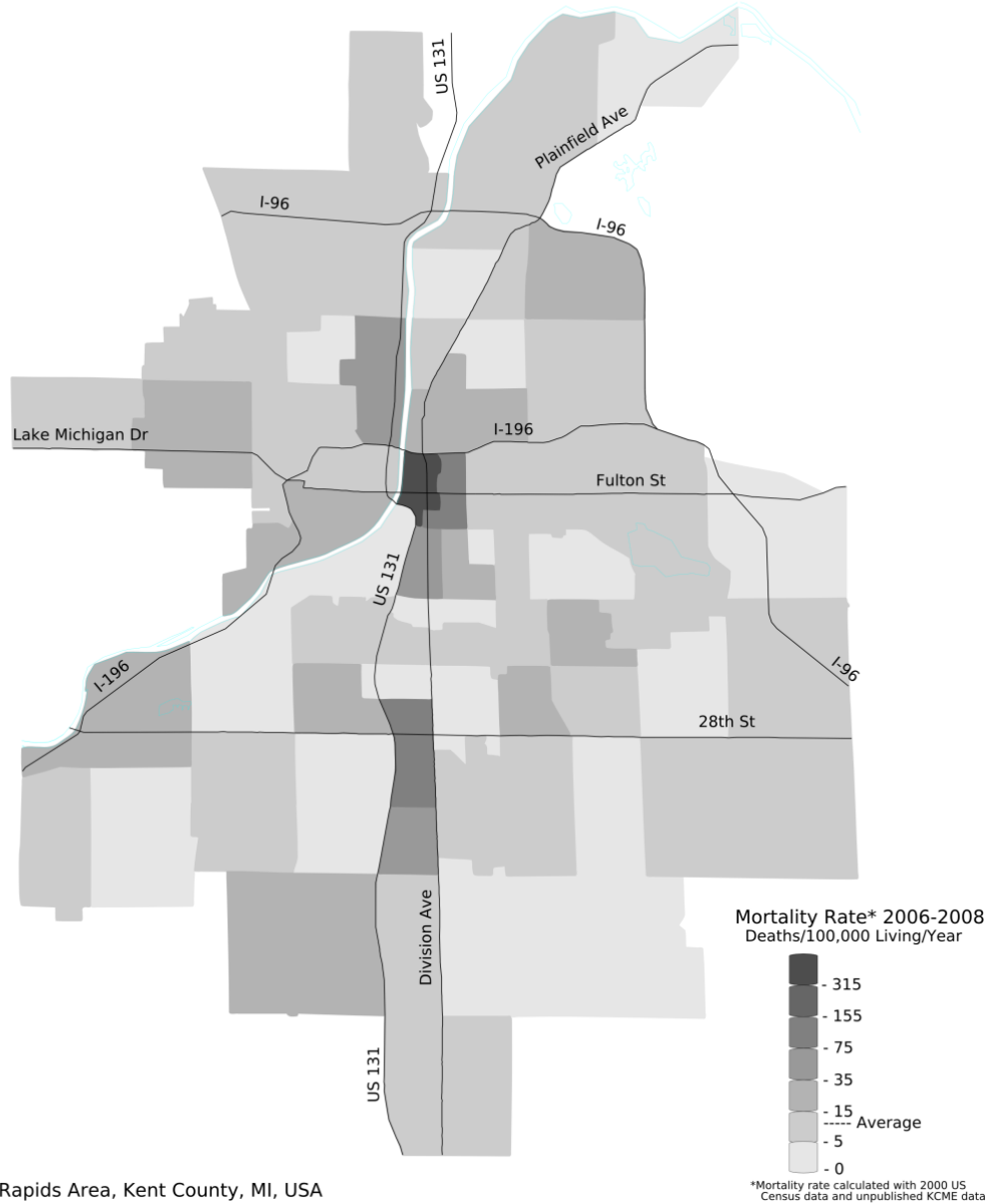
Kent County Mortality Rates



Kent County Overdose Fatalities by drug of first mention



OVERDOSE HAPPENS HERE OVERDOSE HAPPENS EVERYWHERE



Grand Rapids Area, Kent County, MI, USA

Naloxone Hydrochloride



Local Programming

- ▶ Clean Works Program– October 2008
- ▶ Cherry St Health Methadone Clinic– 2012
- ▶ Network 180 and SUD Treatment– 2013
 - SA Turning Point, Arbor Circle IOP, Our Hope, Jellema House, Freedom House, Cherry St Health Methadone Clinic, Degage Open Door Women’s Shelter, Network 180 Access Center, etc
- ▶ Results (as of 4/30/2014)
 - Just under 800 individuals trained which has led to 160 reported reversals

Where do we go from here?

- ▶ Red Project programming has had a huge impact on an individual level, for people served by our programs
- ▶ We would like to see community levels of overdose begin to decrease in Kent County:
 - Reaching prescription opioid users
 - Recruiting community partners/Encouraging a community response
 - Building community support/awareness, and decreasing stigma: www.REDneedsGREEN.org

Final Thoughts

- ▶ It is a basic human right to have access to the tools necessary to sustain and improve health
 - For people using opioids, Naloxone is one such tool
- ▶ Overdose is a community health issue
 - We need a community response
- ▶ We are all, in one way or another affected by this issue
 - We all need to be a part of any effective response driven by data, and best practice programming

Sources

- ▶ 1998 Grand Rapids Mayors Task Force on Drug Policy Reform Final Report
 - ▶ Michigan Department of Community Health Quarterly HIV Statistics
 - ▶ Kent County Medical Examiner
 - ▶ Centers For Disease Control Wonder Mortality Database
 - ▶ Clean Works Program Data
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