

Mobile Outreach AGM Report

2024/25

Mobile Outreach served approximately 176 individuals in the Kootenay / Boundary during 2024/25. The program distributed 40,000 clean needles (29,100 returned), 9,000 bubble pipes, 7,000 foil kits, 1,000 naloxone kits, 4,000 condoms, hundreds of vitamin packets, 83 referrals, 143 social supports, 112 health supports, plus food, hydration, and gear to survive adverse weather. Operating from the van, the program partnered with Interior Health for outreach in Grand Forks and Trail, offering bloodwork, wound care, and health navigation, while new collaborations, like with Creston's Trinity United Church and Vernon's Mobile Overdose Prevention Unit, expanded ANKORS reach. The program prioritized Trail's street-entrenched community, especially those with complex care needs who cannot be admitted into the shelter, supplying harm reduction materials, nutrition, and weather gear. Numerous overdose losses occurred, including the deeply felt passing of Nelson's Brandi Draycott, which highlighted gaps in services like rapid access to detox, treatment, and supportive housing. Amid unrelenting challenges—poverty, addiction, violence, overdose, and mental illness—Mobile Outreach attempts to make a positive impact in the most immediate sense, helping street entrenched people in the W. Kootenay / Boundary area survive another day.

AGM Stats 2024/25

Individuals: 176

Needles Out: 40,100

Needles In: 29,700

Bubble Pipes: 9,997

Foil: 7,389

Straight Pipes: 5,210

Hammer Pipes: 216

Naloxone: 1,152

Sharps Containers: 534

Condoms: 4,450

Psy/Social Supports: 143

Health Supports: 112

Referrals: 83

Vitamins: 210