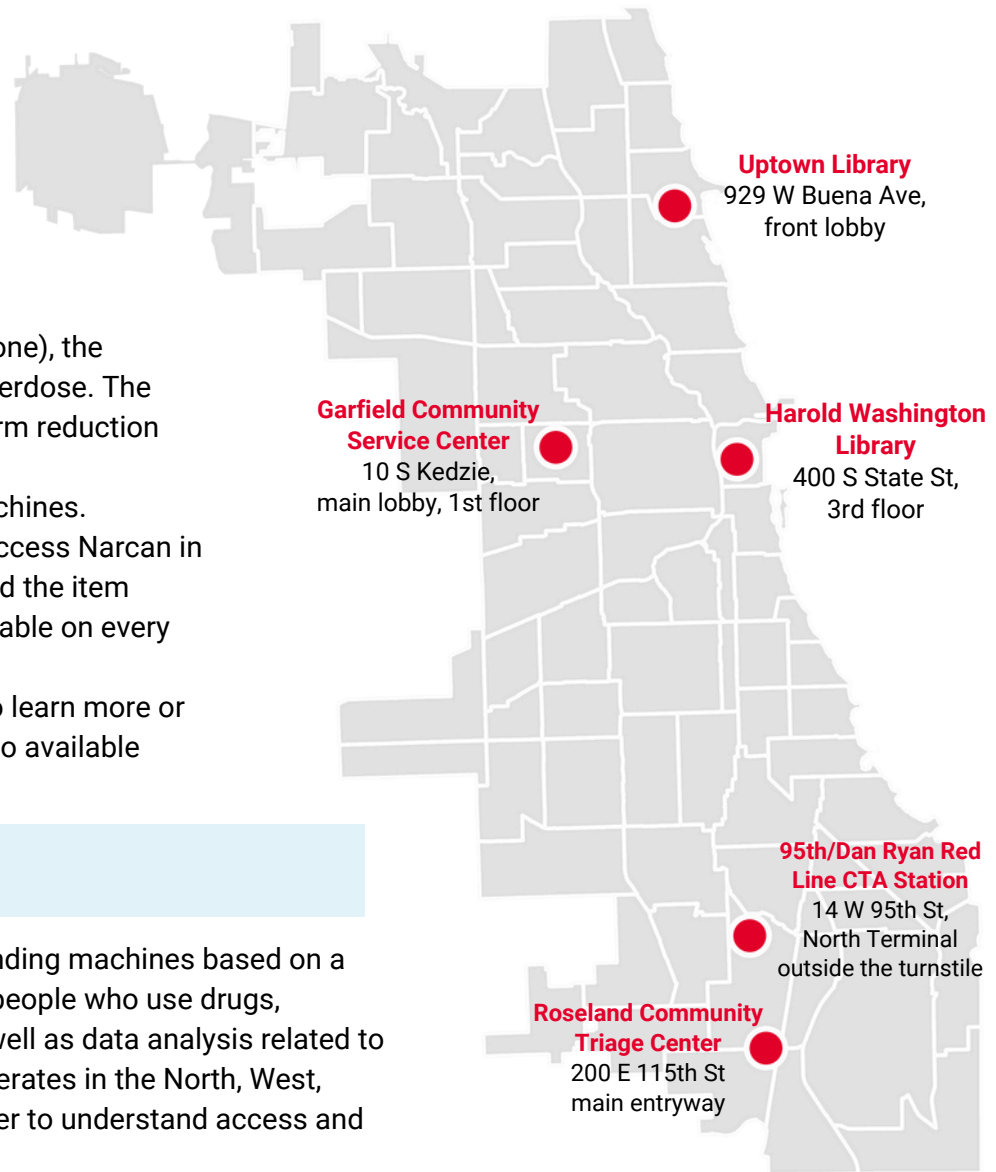


PUBLIC HEALTH VENDING MACHINE PILOT PROGRAM

CDPH operates 5 Public Health Vending Machines in Chicago to extend harm reduction and overdose prevention supplies to people in Chicago at no cost. Individuals may request PIN codes to access materials.

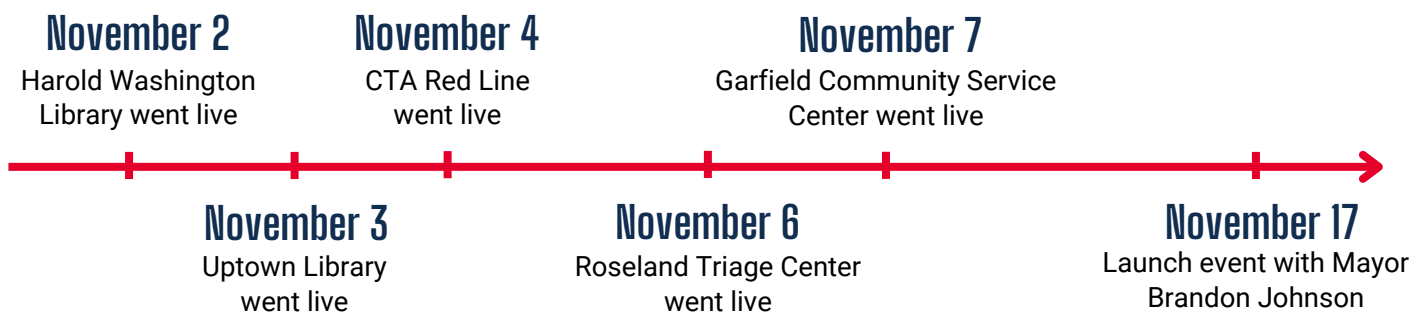
OVERVIEW

- This is a one year pilot program. CDPH will evaluate the effectiveness and feasibility of operating this type of harm reduction program.
- All five machines have Narcan (naloxone), the medication that reverses an opioid overdose. The machines also contain a variety of harm reduction materials.
- PIN codes are used to access the machines.
- No individual PIN code is needed to access Narcan in the machines, simply key in "1234" and the item number. This information is also available on every machine.
- Visit chicago.gov/vendingmachines to learn more or request a PIN code. PIN codes are also available through select partner agencies.



LOCATIONS & TIMELINE

CDPH chose the five locations for the vending machines based on a series of focus groups and surveys with people who use drugs, providers, and community members, as well as data analysis related to overdose hotspots. The pilot program operates in the North, West, Central, and South parts of the city in order to understand access and engagement in these different areas.



IMPACT: NOVEMBER 2, 2023 – APRIL 30, 2024

As of March 13, 2024, **1,506** pin codes were distributed and **883** of those pin codes were used at machines. A total of **4,892** products were distributed from all 5 machines.



NARCAN
(naloxone)
793 Boxes



FENTANYL
TEST KITS
303 Kits



XYLAZINE
TEST KITS
180 Kits



GENERAL
HYGIENE KITS
1,415 Kits



MENSTRUAL
HYGIENE KITS
544 Kits



SOCKS &
UNDERWEAR
1,657 Kits



Of those who completed optional survey questions while obtaining a PIN code:

Housing

Of the 1,272 people who reported this information:

- **45%** reported being unhoused, living with someone else, or living in a shelter
- **40%** reported renting/owning an apartment or home
- **15%** reported other

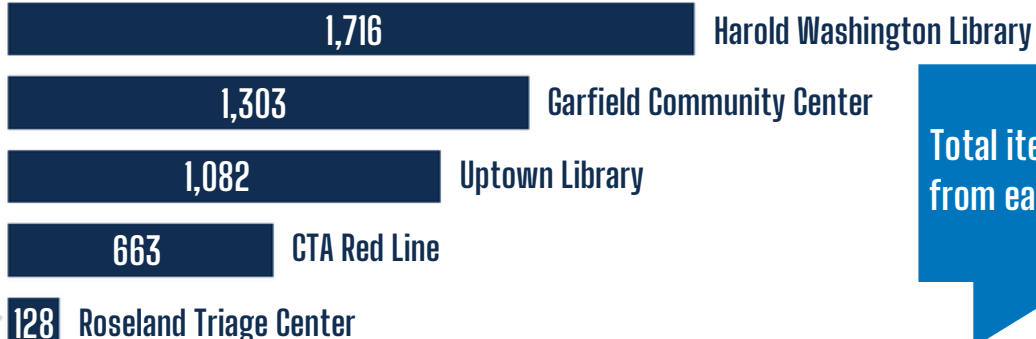
Experienced or Witnessed an Overdose

Of the 1,228 people who reported this information, **18%** reported experiencing an overdose in their lifetime.

Of the 1,246 people who reported this information, **43%** reported witnessing someone experiencing an overdose in their lifetime.

Demographics

- **415** individuals identified as women & **660** identified as men
- The majority of individuals who self-reported race, were **Black or African American**
- The age of individuals ranged from **16 to 88 years**



Total items vended from each machine

If you or a loved one is struggling with opioid use and looking for treatment, 24/7 help is available through the Illinois MAR NOW Program. Call 833-234-6343 and ask for MAR NOW. In case of emergency, dial 911.