

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What's the exhibit called and when will it be open?

FIX: Heartbreak and Hope Inside Our Opioid Crisis.

Open Feb. 1, 2020 through Aug. 1, 2021.

Why are you doing this exhibit?

As a museum, it's our job to provide our visitors with trustworthy information on relevant topics in a venue where it's safe to discuss them. In this exhibit, we will reduce the stigma surrounding opioid use disorder through accurate information, interactive artwork, personal stories from people affected, and show that recovery is possible. It's our intent to remove some of the shame and isolation surrounding this disease, and show people that they can play a role in finding solutions.

In addition to the exhibit, we will have programming at our 11 historic sites around the state, making this a truly statewide initiative.

How did you decide to focus on the opioid crisis?

The opioid crisis affects all of us, at every level of society. This exhibit is visitor-centric in addressing a topic that is so relevant to all Hoosiers. With our 12 locations statewide – including in some of the hardest-hit areas of the state – we are uniquely suited to serve our communities in addressing such a universal crisis.

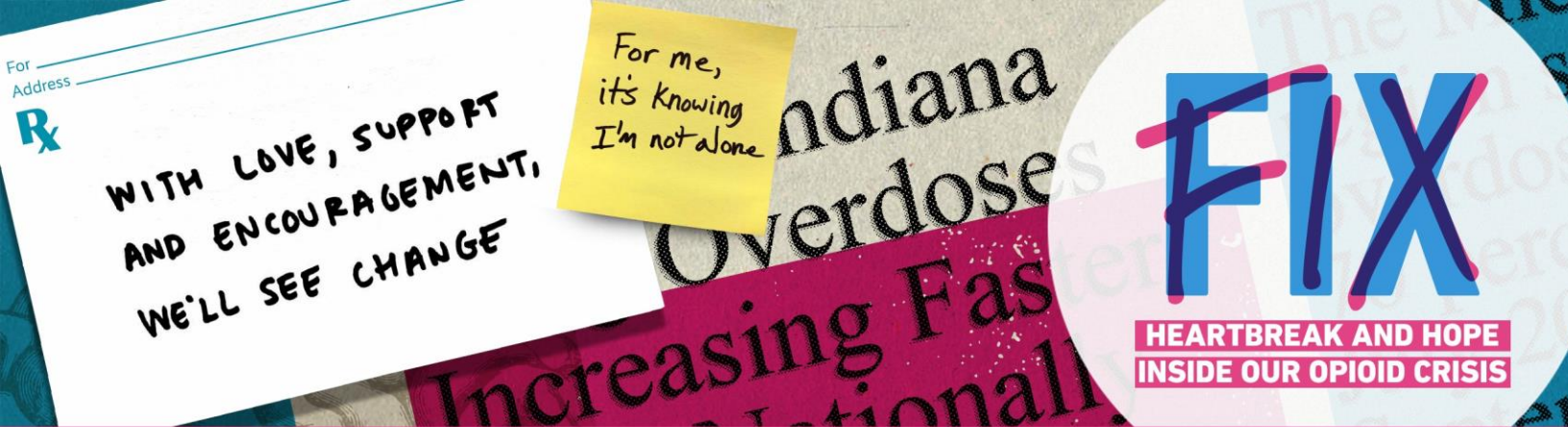
Where did you get the information for this exhibit?

We relied on more than 50 community partners from around the state to help us provide the content for this exhibit, as well as our own research. This project has been in the works for more than two years. These partners helped ensure we're presenting trustworthy information on opioid use disorder, its impact on communities and what recovery can look like. A full list of our partners can be found at <https://www.indianamuseum.org/fix>.

What do you hope the outcome of this exhibit will be?

It's our hope to inspire individuals to become more educated or even take action in finding solutions within this crisis. Through personal stories and facts about opioid use disorder, we hope to build empathy in those who visit the exhibit and show that recovery is possible. We invite visitors to find answers for themselves in the exhibit, then take what they learn and bring it back to their communities.

When the exhibit ends in August 2021, we will continue programming around this crisis at all 12 locations for as long as the communities need it.



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Will the museum be doing other exhibits like this in the future?

We know we will learn so much from this exhibit. In the future, we will take what we learn to create even more engaging, necessary exhibits about other events of critical importance to Hoosiers.