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International Overdose Awareness Day: Honoring Lives Lost and Promoting Action

On International Overdose Awareness Day, communities across the globe will unite to remember those lost to overdose, reduce the stigma of drug-related deaths, and support those impacted by substance use. This annual event is the world's largest campaign to end overdose, raise awareness, and acknowledge the grief felt by families and friends.

The Washington Ozaukee Public Health Department, in partnership with local organizations, is hosting two community events to honor lost lives. Local organizations will promote life-saving resources, and speakers will share their personal experiences with substance use and overdose. Participants will also have the opportunity to receive training on naloxone, a medication that can reverse opioid overdoses.

Both events are free and open to all.

Date: Sunday, August 30, 2026**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**Location:** Jackson Park

Shelter #1

W204N16901 Jackson Dr

Jackson, WI

Date: Monday, August 31, 2026**Time:** 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**Location:** Ozaukee Nonprofit Center

2360 Dakota Dr

Grafton, WI

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