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SHERIFF JOHN THARP



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MISSION

To stop the profound number of deaths of loved ones caused by opiate overdoses while helping victims to overcome their addictions. To educate and support family and friends of these victims.

WHO WE ARE

D.A.R.T. operates with an administrator from the Lucas County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Sheriffs, Forensic Counselors, as well as officers from other local jurisdictions.



DO YOU!

- Struggle with Heroin and other Opiate Addiction?
- Feel hopeless from addiction?
- Want help but don't know where to begin?

Contact the D.A.R.T. Unit!

To reach the D.A.R.T. Unit of the Lucas
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The Lucas County Toxicologist reported, "In 2014 there were 145 heroin related deaths and in 2015 our area saw an increase in opiate related deaths to 215. The numbers continue to rise."

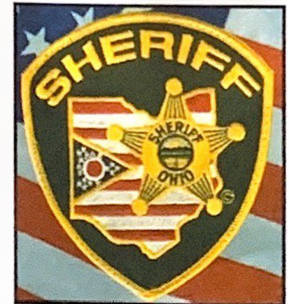
OUR STORY

Responding to the public health and safety crisis, Lucas County Sheriff John Tharp launched the Addiction Resource Unit in July of 2014. This Unit was the first of its kind in our nation. Today, our D.A.R.T. Unit reaches far beyond their traditional roles as first responders, and has engaged the Unit directly with linkage to treatment for victims and their families.

"Our officers meet in the community with overdose victims and their families building strong relationships of trust. These officers transport addicts to effective local treatments that are available. Providing encouragement, the officers monitor and engage the victims as they progress through their treatment and recovery process."

Process and Procedures:

- D.A.R.T. officers respond to area hospitals for communication with overdose victims;
- Maintains communication with family and friends of the victim;
- Maintain a compassionate demeanor while reassuring and providing support to the victim with immediate help for assessment and treatment;
- Transports victims for assessment, disposition, detox, and recovery housing
- Continue necessary communication and support with victims as they enter detox and recovery housing;
- Support the victim and their family across the time frame of recovery.



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Sheriff John Tharp would like to thank all who have supported the D.A.R.T. Unit. The continued aid from the citizens of Lucas County will help maintain the unit and its lasting success.



A special thank you to the Attorney General of Ohio for his continued entrustment and contributions.

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