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Peabody Police and Fire Equipped with Naloxone

Mayor Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr. is pleased to announce that the Peabody Police and Fire Departments are now equipped to administer the opioid overdose reversal drug, naloxone.

A \$2,500 grant from the Lahey Health Foundation and a \$1,000 grant from the Healthy Peabody Collaborative purchased the initial supply of the drug. Peabody will also benefit from a state grant to purchase Naloxone and the city's EMT provider Atlantic Ambulance has agreed to pay for resupplies.

“These generous grants from our outstanding community partners help ease the steep cost of this life saving medication,” said Mayor Bettencourt. “We need to do everything we can to combat the opioid epidemic and equipping our police and fire departments with naloxone is a critical step.”

“The Peabody Police and Fire Departments are united in our efforts to fight the opioid epidemic,” said Police Chief Tom Griffin and Fire Chief Steve Pasdon in a joint statement. “We are thankful that our officers and firefighters will be equipped to administer naloxone and help save the lives of victims of overdose.”

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