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WHO: Sheriff Garry McFadden, Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office
Patrice Brown, SPF Rx Program Manager, Carolinas Care Partnership
Shannon Farrar, Executive Director, Carolinas Care Partnership

WHAT: Press Conference

WHEN: Tuesday, November 21, 2023
10:00AM

WHERE: Mecklenburg County Detention Center Lobby
801 East 4th Street
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(CHARLOTTE, NC) – In collaboration with Carolinas CARE Partnership Rx ACE (CCP), a public health vending machine stocked with the lifesaving drug Narcan will be placed inside the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) Arrest Processing Center lobby area. This vending machine aims to facilitate convenient access at no cost, and we want to encourage all people, whether they personally use substances or not, to carry the life-saving drug.

As we continue to see fentanyl related incidents in the Mecklenburg County community, the inventory of the MCSO public health vending machine will focus on Narcan Nasal Spray kits. The vending machine will be accessible twenty-four hours a day. There are no sign-ups or QR codes, and people can maintain their anonymity as the machine doesn't collect any identifiable information from those who get these life-saving kits. An individual only needs to press the corresponding buttons on the vending machine to receive a kit.

"This initiative serves as a pivotal step in our efforts to combat the ongoing fentanyl crisis," said Sheriff McFadden. "By facilitating seamless access to Narcan kits; we aspire to make a meaningful impact and save lives."

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