

# FACTS ABOUT INJECTION DRUG USE IN **SAN FRANCISCO**



THE ESTIMATED **22,500** PEOPLE WHO INJECT DRUGS (PWID) IN SAN FRANCISCO ARE...\*

**71%**

MALE

**55%**

AGES 41-60

**50%**

USING HEROIN

**34%**

USING METHAMPHETAMINE



AND RESIDE IN...

**31%**

TENDERLOIN

**24%**

SoMA

**9%**

MISSION

**8%**

BAYVIEW-HUNTERS POINT

\*2015 estimates

## PEOPLE WHO INJECT DRUGS ARE AT HIGH RISK FOR...



OVERDOSE



SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER



HIV



HEP C



OTHER BLOODBORNE DISEASES

HARM REDUCTION METHODS ARE FREE OF JUDGMENT AND DIRECTLY INVOLVE CLIENTS IN SETTING THEIR OWN HEALTH GOALS. SF HAS A COMPREHENSIVE SET OF HARM REDUCTION SERVICES FOR PWID. SOME EXAMPLES ARE:



SYRINGE ACCESS



NALOXONE



METHADONE & BUPRENORPHINE



SOBERING CENTER



LINKAGE TO SERVICES

## WHAT POTENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS & SAVINGS COULD 1 SAFE INJECTION SERVICES SITE HAVE IN SF EACH YEAR?\*\*\*



415 HOSPITAL STAYS



3.3 HIV CASES



19 HEP C CASES



0.24 LIVES SAVED



110 PWID ENTERING TREATMENT



\$3.5 MILLION IN NET SAVINGS

\*\*\*Source: Irwin, A., Jozaghi, E., Bluthenthal, R. N., & Kral, A. H. (2017). A Cost-Benefit Analysis of a Potential Supervised Injection Facility in San Francisco, California, USA. *Journal of Drug Issues*, 47(2), 164-184.