



Community
in Crisis

FACTS

THAT MAY JUST
SURPRISE YOU...



About 80 percent of people who use heroin first misused prescription opioids.



Many teens and college students assume prescription medications are safer than street drugs



Substance use disorder is a treatable chronic condition.



Over 50% of young adults who misuse prescription opioids got them from a friend or relative.



Dependence on opioid prescription pills can occur after just 5 days.



Substance use changes the brain, which can make drug use compulsive.



Prescription pills should be locked away and disposed of safely when no longer needed.



Americans consume 80% of all prescription pills globally!