

Serious mental illness leads to costly and frequent hospitalization, institutionalization and recurrent involvement in the criminal justice system. Untreated mental illness traps individuals in poverty, dependency and homelessness leading to significant financial consequences for Florida's state and local governments as well as our economy. **Funding to address mental health issues such as Florida's opioid overdose pandemic and our surging suicide rates has never been more crucial.**

THE HUMAN AND FINANCIAL COSTS of Mental Illness in Florida



More than **66,000 FLORIDIANS** have serious mental illness, no insurance and no access to care.



Florida **RANKS 49TH** of 50 states in per capita spending on mental health.

Florida **SAVES UP TO \$72,000** each time a mentally ill person is **treated instead of jailed.**



Florida's mentally ill are **5X MORE LIKELY** to end up in prison than in a treatment facility.



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HALF OF ALL Floridians will experience mental illness at least once in their lifetime.



Mental illness causes an estimated **\$26 BILLION** in lost productivity for Florida each year.

Almost half of Florida inmates with mental illness are **RE-ARRESTED 90 DAYS** after their release.



THE TRAGIC COSTS OF SUICIDE in Florida



In Florida there are **twice as many suicides as there are homicides.**



On average, a person in Florida dies by suicide **every three hours.**



Suicide costs Florida more than **\$2.8 billion** each year in terms of medical costs and lost work.



Suicide is the **2nd leading cause of death for Florida children** ages 10 – 18

The national opioid epidemic is raging in Florida. More than 60 percent of Florida's drug overdose deaths now involve opioids. The use of heroin and synthetic opioids is driving Florida's rapid increase in drug deaths.

FLORIDA'S OPIOID PANDEMIC

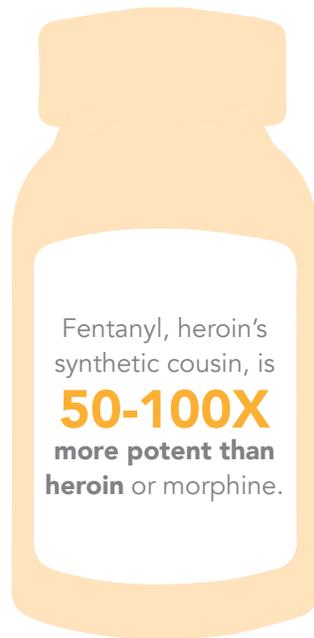
Fentanyl-related deaths in Florida are **SKYROCKETING** compared to other drug overdose rates.



Florida ranks **6TH IN THE U.S.** for states with the highest drug overdose death rates.



3,228 FLORIDIANS DIED of drug overdose in 2015, up 13.9 percent from 2014.



Fentanyl, heroin's synthetic cousin, is **50-100X** more potent than heroin or morphine.

Floridians are now far **more likely to be KILLED BY OPIOIDS** like heroin than by oxycodone.



Heroin deaths in Florida have **RISEN 900%** in three years, Fentanyl deaths 300 percent.



In **93%** of Florida drug deaths where heroin is present, **heroin is the cause of death.**