Be the Hero... Tell SOMEONE.

Every day in the United States, 113 people die as a result of drug overdose. (CDC, 2014)

Lives, like these pictured here, need not have been lost had they known the dangers of combining alcohol with prescription and illicit drugs.

Just ONE TIME could KILL you.

Make The CALL!
Dial 911

If you witness anyone showing signs of an overdose, consider this an emergency! Place the person in the recovery position. Dial 911 immediately!

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If you are using drugs or alcohol, tell someone who can help you. If you know someone who is using, tell someone who can help them.

Address questions and concerns regarding substance abuse at:
www.nopetaskforce.org

Certification & Scholarship
Earn community service hours and eligibility for Life Choices Scholarship
www.nopetaskforce.org

Emergency: Dial 911
Crisis Line: Dial 211
Boystown: 1-800-448-3000
Suicide Hot Line: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

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Choose life first, all other considerations must come second!
WHAT is a DRUG overdose?

A drug overdose occurs when a person accidentally or intentionally misuses any drug or combination of drugs to such excess that it results in direct physiological harm.

Signs and Symptoms of a Drug Overdose
- May not awaken when roused
- May not respond to painful stimulation
- May exhibit blue lips, face, hands
- May have cold, clammy skin
- May snore or struggle for breath
- May complain of elevated body temperature
- May vomit
- May behave irrationally or seem confused

Friends Till the End...
Steven and Alan were given methadone tablets by a friend at homecoming...
Alan's Mom found both boys dead the next morning.

Just 1 Time Can KILL You...
Hello, My Name is Colby Crutschfield. I am 13 years old. On April 26th of 2008, three of my buddies and I did something we should not have...

My friend's Dad had been struggling with cancer, but cancer won, his father died. His father had been prescribed several medications to help him through. After his death, my friends and I found the unused medications and started thinking... Heck...

Colby died at home in his bedroom from a prescription drug overdose on April 27, 2008.

WHAT is Addiction?
Addiction is a disease characterized by compulsive drug seeking behavior regardless of the consequences. As the illness progresses, addicted people need more alcohol or other drugs, the illness becomes harder to treat and the risk of overdose is increased.

The brain is not fully developed until age 24. 45% of those who begin drinking alcohol before the age of 14 become dependent at some time in their lives compared with 10% of those who wait at least until age 21.
(Source: Archives of Pediatric & Adolescent medicine)

PRESCRIPTION and Illicit Drugs
What is an illicit drug?
A drug that is obtained illegally or a drug that is illegal (marijuana, cocaine, crack, heroin, methamphetamine, ecstasy, LSD)

Is alcohol an illicit drug?
If you are under the age of 21, it is illegal to drink or possess alcohol. It is illegal to sell or provide alcohol to a minor.

Can prescription drugs be illicit?
Yes, if you possess or consume a prescription drug that has not been prescribed specifically to you, you are committing a crime! Sharing your prescription drugs with anyone is unlawful!

COMBINING Drugs
Mixing alcohol with certain drugs is hazardous and unpredictable. Alcohol magnifies the impact of many commonly used drugs.

Combining prescription drugs with other prescription medicines and/or alcohol increases the effects of each drug and increases the risk of overdose and death.

Rich struggled with addiction for several years, always hoping it would be the last time he used - not the last time he lived.