

# WELCOME

St. Clair County
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# The Opioid Crisis in St. Clair County

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# Substance Abuse Work Group

# **Objectives**

- Learn about opioids and the local crisis
- Understand the impact of opioids
- Identify available resources
- Learn what you can do to help



# The Opioid Crisis

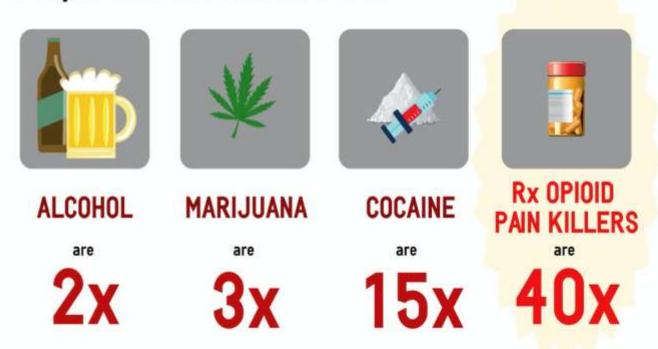
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# Rx Opioid Painkillers as Gateway Drugs to Heroin

Nearly everyone who uses heroin has also used at least 1 other drug.

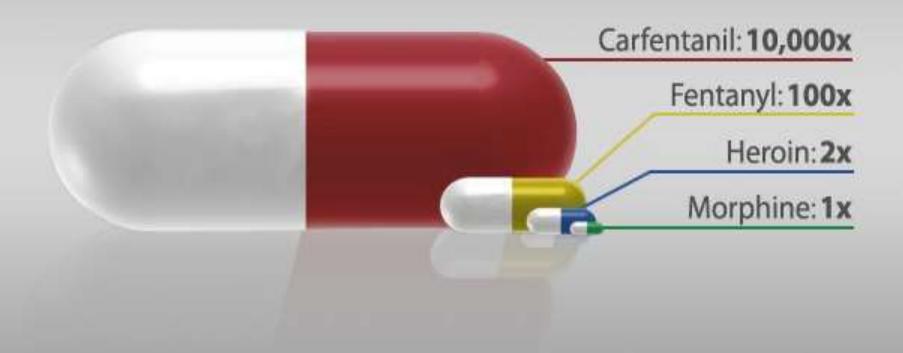
### People who are addicted to...



...more likely to be addicted to heroin.

Source: National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), 2011-2013.

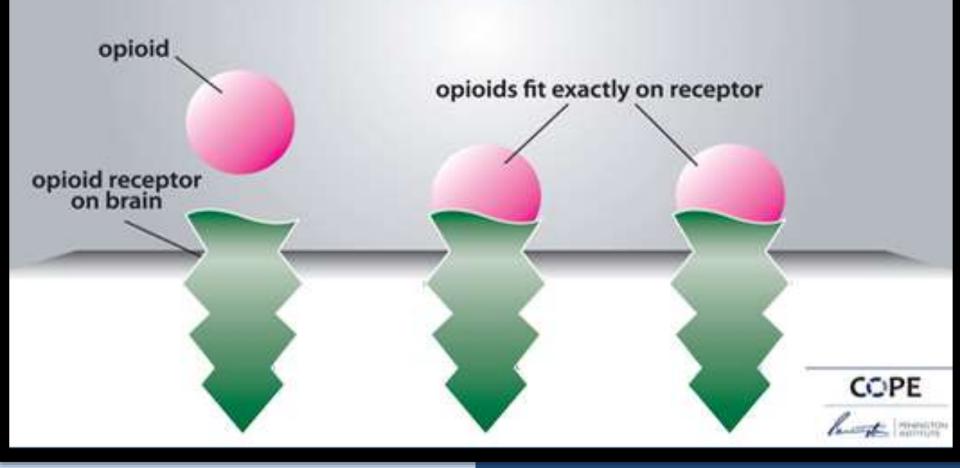
### **OPIOID POTENCY**

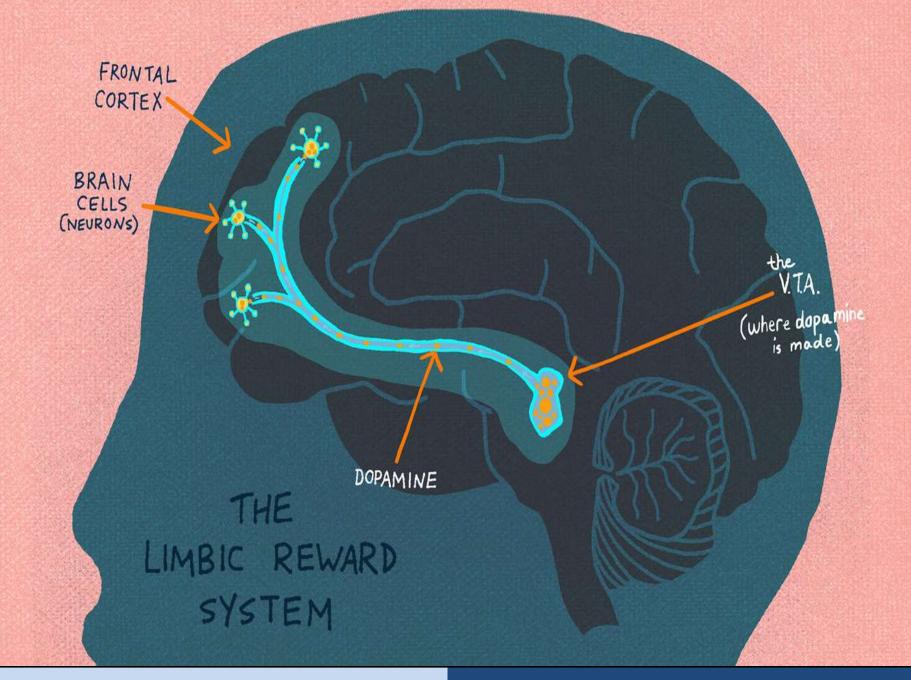


# Opioids attaching to receptors

The brain has many, many receptors for opioids.

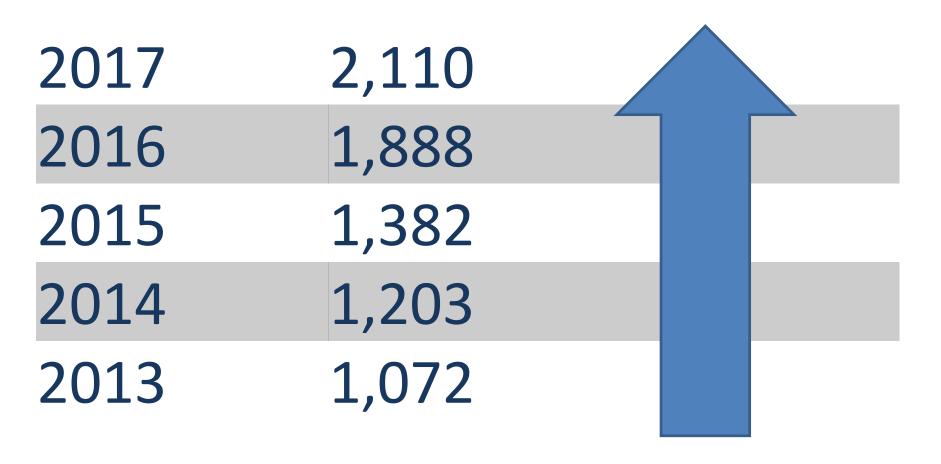
An overdose occurs when too much of an opioid, such as heroin or oxycodone, fits in too many receptors slowing and then stopping the breathing.



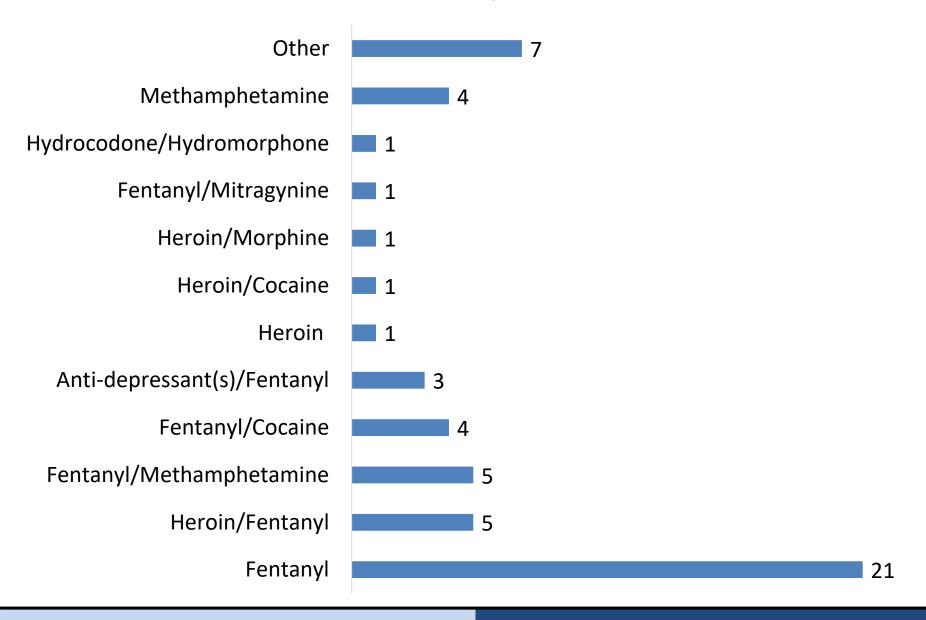


# The Local Problem

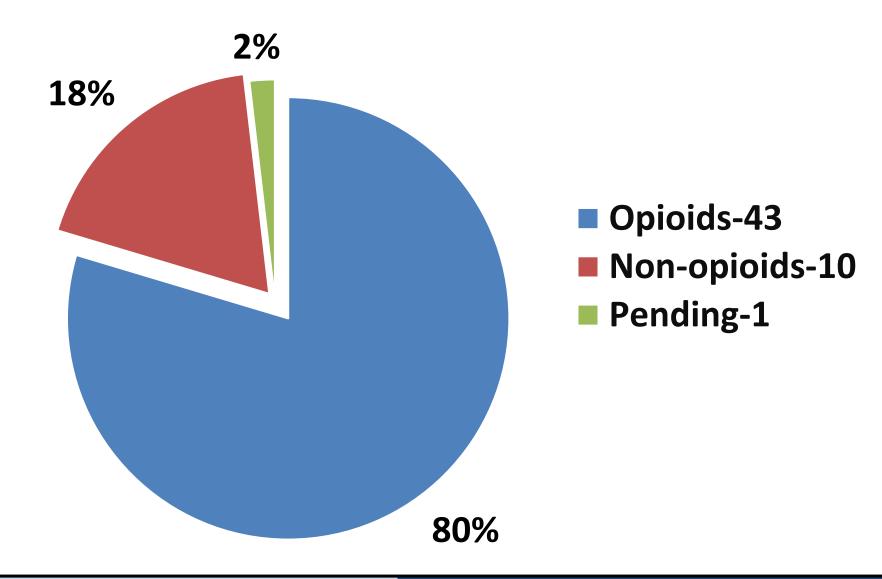
# **Opioid Overdose Deaths in Illinois**



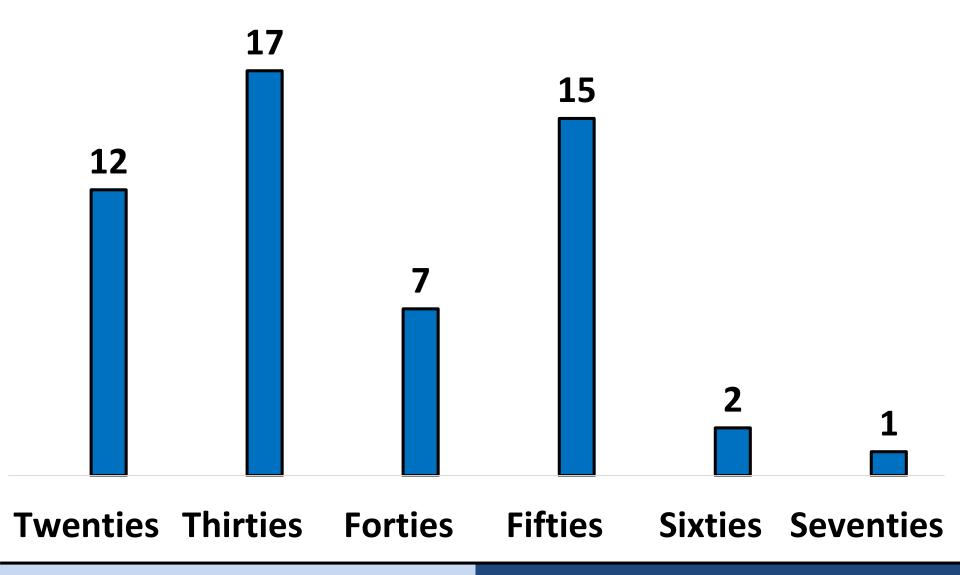
# 2018 St. Clair County Overdose Deaths



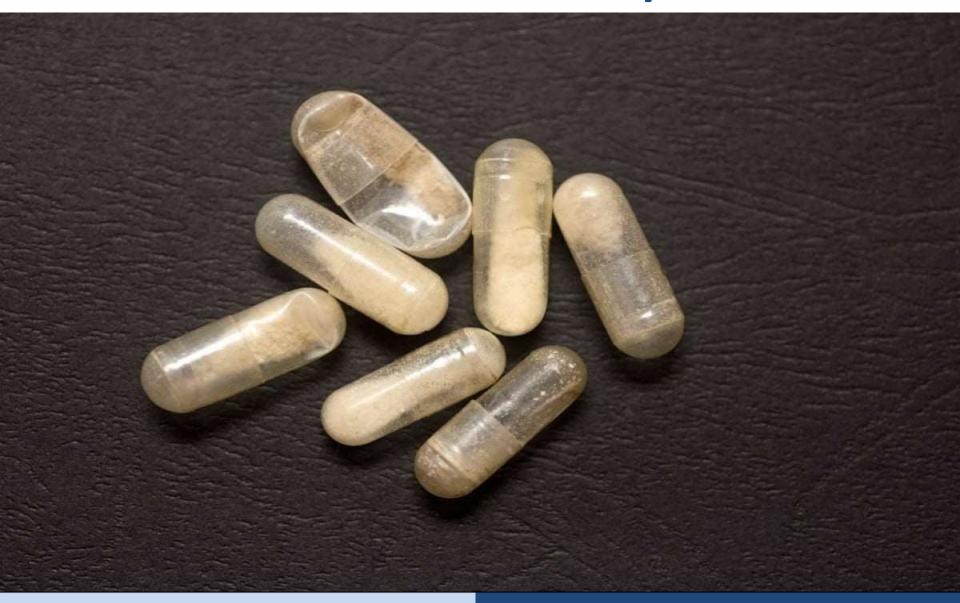
# Opioid vs. Non-opioids Overdose Deaths



# Overdose Deaths by Age (Average 40)



# "Buttons"—One Dose Capsules



# Where do Illinois drugs come from?



# **MEXICO**

- Mexican drug cartels are responsible for 88% of heroin smuggled into United States.
- Cartels responsible for 83% of cocaine into U.S.
- 80% of methamphetamine (ice).
- Illinois drugs primarily brought in by Sinaloa (el Chapo) and Jalisco New Generation drug cartels

# **FENTANYL**

- Sources: Mexico and China. Hard to differentiate origin.
- Chinese fentanyl is 90% pure and responsible for most of overdoses. Arrives via small packages/mail.
- A lot of heroin is now cut with fent.
- Pressed fentanyl pills masquerading as prescription pills.

# Trending Drugs in St. Clair County

- Marijuana wax
- Crystal methamphetamine
- Fentanyl and heroin laced with fentanyl
- Benzo use (up 300%)
- Skittling, sizzurp, pixy stix and more!

# Marijuana wax



- Marijuana plus butane
- 80% THC
- Known as dabs ("dabbing") or concentrate

# Wax Bong



# Synthetic Marijuna

- Made in a lab.
- AKA Spice, K2, K3, fake weed, D-Raw, Dream, Mojo, Moon rocks
- Can have severe side effects: bleeding from nose, eyes, ears. Internal hemorrhaging. Hallucinations.
- Caused 4 deaths in Illinois in 2018.

# The Effects of Opioids on Society

Family trauma

Medical expenses

Property theft

Treatment costs

Vehicle accidents

Public safety

Enforcement costs

Workforce loss

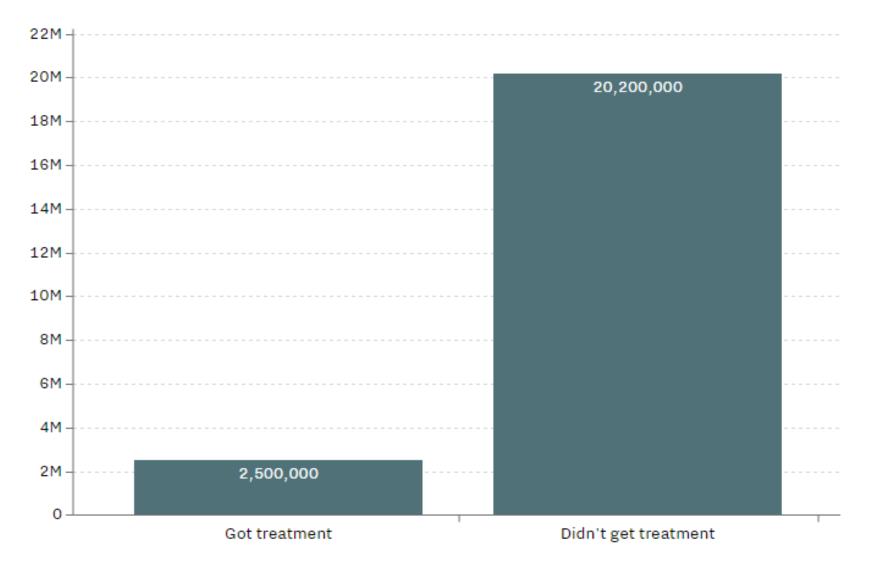
Incarcerations

Lives lost

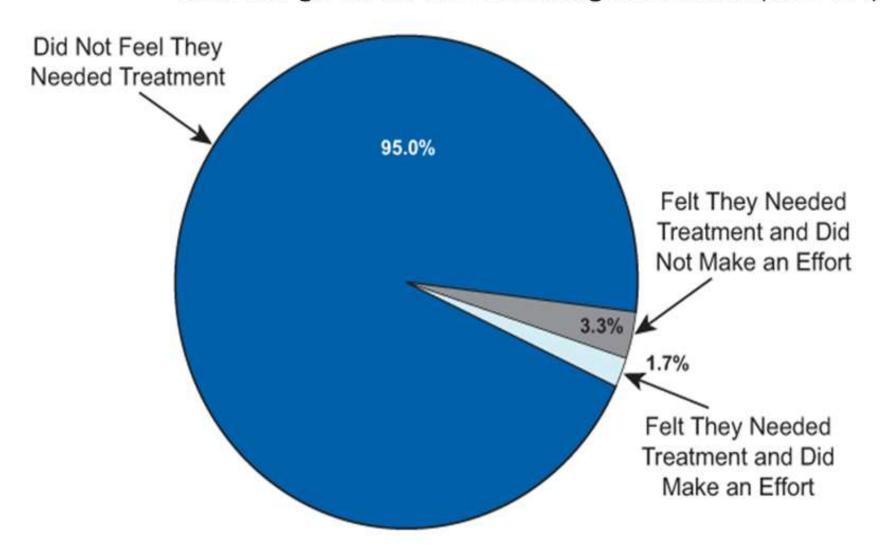
# Treatment & Recovery

# How many people who meet the definition of a drug use disorder got treatment?





### Reasons given for not receiving treatment (NSDUH)



# Substance Use Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder

- Evidence supports best approach pairing psychosocial treatment with MAT
- Outcomes for Counseling without MAT aren't encouraging
- Harm Reduction Methods Necessary

# What is Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)?

# 3 FDA Approved Medications

- 1) Methadone (full agonist)
- 2) Buprenorphine (partial agonist)
- 3) Naltrexone (full antagonist)

# Barriers to Providing Medication with Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder

- Lack of providers willing to treat the population
- Stigma/Lack of Understanding
- Timely Access
- Associated Costs

# Resources & Takeaways

# Resources Available

Illinois now receiving over \$47 million dollars per year to address the opioid crisis.

- Access to MAT
- Pregnant and Postpartum Women
- Outreach
- Jail Vivitrol
- Recovery Oriented Systems of Care

### St. Clair and Madison County 708 Boards

- New funding in the amount of \$335,000 over the past year to expand access to MAT.
- Improvements in Access

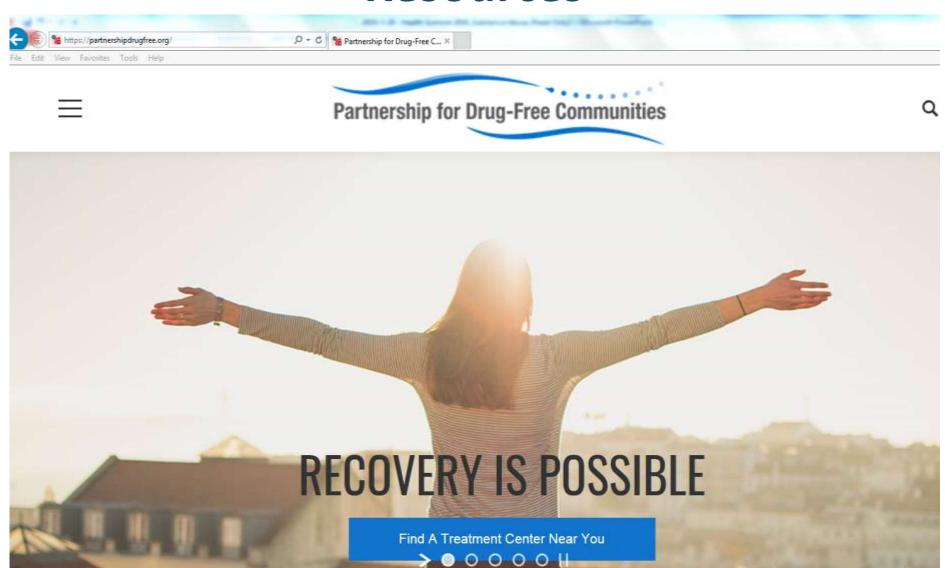




Reduce youth substance use by 5% by 2023

Reduce opioid overdose deaths by 25% by 2023

### Resources



# Resources





# St. Louis Area of Narcotics Anonymous







# **Meeting Directory**

Don't want to use our fancy map? **Click the icon** to download the current meeting directory (PDF).

### 24 Hour Helplines

St. Louis: 314-830-3232

St. Charles: 636-697-8406

Metro East: 618-398-9409

Mid East MO: 636-875-1001

# **Takeaways**

- Become an informed consumer
  - Be informed of the risks
  - Be a partner with your prescriber
  - Try to avoid Rx pain killer use
- Be a role model at home & in the community
  - Promote healthy choices
  - Support mental health & substance abuse services
  - Avoid substance abuse & seek help when needed

# **Takeaways**

- Refuse to perpetuate or tolerate stigma
- Safely use, store, monitor and dispose of medications
  - Dispose in trash—DON'T Flush
  - DEA Take Back Day April 27
- Join a coalition
- Have naloxone (NARCAN®) available

# How Can I get involved?

- St. Clair County Drug Prevention Alliance- Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday
  of every month from 3:00-4:30pm. Contact: Donna Nahlik
  dnahlik@chestnut.org
- Partnership for Drug Free Communities- Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month from 10:00-11:30am. Contact: Karen Tilashalski
- kltilashalski@chestnut.org
- Metro East Recovery Council- Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month from 9:00-10:30am. Contact: Ty Bechel <u>tabechel@chestnut.org</u>
- Take Action Coalition of Clinton County- Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month from 3:00-4:30pm. Contact: Donna Nahlik dnahlik@chestnut.org

# THANK YOU

### TO OUR COALITION PARTNERS

- AgeSmart Community Resources
- Centerstone
- Chestnut Health Systems
- East Side Aligned
- Hesed Comprehensive
   Psychological and Assessment
   Services
- Hoyleton Youth & Family Services
- HSHS St. Elizabeth's Hospital
- Memorial Hospital Belleville

- Programs & Services for Older Persons, SWIC
- St. Clair County Mental Health Board
- St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office
- Touchette Regional Hospital
- Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities
- United States Attorney's Office