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PASSAIC COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER NALOXONE IN TOTOWA ON JANUARY 15, 2017

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Totowa Police Chief Robert W. Coyle announce that law enforcement officers in Passaic County administered Naloxone to one subject on January 15, 2017. Naloxone is a medicine administered by way of a spray into the subject's nostrils to counteract an opioid overdose.

Totowa police officers deployed Naloxone at 2:35 p.m. to a 22 year old female who resides in Totowa, New Jersey. When officers arrived at the location, the subject was observed to be pale skinned, unresponsive and breathing slowly. Officers administered two doses of Naloxone and the subject became responsive but remained sedated. Care of the subject was transferred to local emergency medical services.

Responding officers reported observing three (3) bags stamped "MAMBO KING" containing alleged heroin at the scene.

Since 2014, members of law enforcement in Passaic County have received training in the administration of Naloxone to respond to suspected opiate overdoses. This incident is the fifth (5th) Naloxone deployment in Passaic County in 2017.