

December 21, 2017

Greetings!

In 2017, our community lost 305 individuals and counting to overdose. Our community isn't just facing a problem, we are facing an epidemic.

This January, join the Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division and more than 500 community members for a free screening of the feature documentary "Written Off." This film explores the opioid epidemic through the experiences of Wisconsinite Matt Edwards... specifically through the words on the pages in his journal. Here, Matt chronicled his daily struggles with his addiction and his countless attempts to quit.

Please consider partnering with us at the \$250 level to ensure we can share this documentary *free of charge* to our community members, providing vital education about addiction – and the people behind this disease - to decrease stigma, promote prevention and encourage individuals in need to seek treatment and start on their road to recovery.

"Written Off" Documentary Screening and Talk Back
Oriental Theater, 2230 North Farwell Ave.
Thursday, January 25, 7 p.m.
Expected attendance: 540

After the documentary screening, we'll host a "talk back" discussion featuring several community voices including local experts in behavioral health care and people who are recovering from this disease.

Your contribution helps cover partial costs of the licensing fees for the film. Benefits include:

- Logo display on event signage and on our webpage, www.lightunitered.org.
- Recognition on our ticket sales page
- Prominent position on promotional materials
- Regular mention on our social media accounts throughout January

<u>Please respond with your intent by Friday, January 5</u>. All checks can be made out to "Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division" and sent to Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division, Attn: Nzinga Khalid, Prevention, 9455 W Watertown Plank Rd. Wauwatosa, WI 53226. We hope you encourage individuals to secure their free tickets today: https://writtenoffmke.eventbrite.com.

Sincerely,

Mike Lappen Administrator

Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division