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**Safe Harbor Cohasset Coalition & Paul Pratt Memorial Library to host 2nd Annual:
Into the Light Candlelight Vigil
On the Cohasset Common
Tuesday, August 27th from 6:45pm-7:45pm**

Safe Harbor Cohasset Coalition will be partnering with the Paul Pratt Memorial Library for the 2nd annual Into the Candlelight Vigil. The Into the Light Candlelight Vigil is an evening of remembrance for anyone who has been affected and/or lost a loved one to the disease of Substance Use Disorder. The vigil will be held the evening of August 27th, four days prior to National Overdose Awareness Day (Saturday, August 31st), to allow more people to attend the event, stand in solidarity, and show their support for anyone who has been affected by this devastating disease. That evening we will remember those lost, provide hope to the loved ones left behind, and acknowledge the strength and perseverance of the many men and women still fighting their fight.

The evening's vigil will include words of guidance and hope from the Reverend Karen Bailey-Francois, Pastor of the Second Congregational Church, uplifting melodies from Cohasset 12-year-old, Lauren Ravanisi, and inspiration from affected family members.

In preparation, we invite family members who have lost a loved one, due to substance use, to send pictures to Nicole Garrity at ngarrity@cohassetma.org. We will be displaying the pictures that evening, as a way of remembering those that have been lost to this devastating disease and making sure that they are not forgotten. Beginning September 1st will be the kick-off of Safe Harbor's month-long Spiral Upward series of events in conjunction with Paul Pratt Memorial Library in recognition of National Recovery Month.

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About Safe Harbor Cohasset Coalition

Since July 2014, Safe Harbor Cohasset has been working to promote awareness and implement resources to help make an impact on the substance use in the community. In September 2017, Safe Harbor was awarded a federal Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program grant, which focuses on preventing substance use among youth ages 12-17.

Since then, the group has worked to foster a strong and inclusive community that allows youth to strive and encourages healthy, educated and responsible choices about drug and alcohol use. The mission is supported by evidenced based, prevention focused, sustainable policies and youth-focused programs, such as Ground Level Café and the Safe Harbor Youth Ambassador Program. To learn more, visit the Safe Harbor website at safeharborcohasset.org. Keep up to date on the latest trends by following Safe Harbor on Facebook at www.facebook.com/safeharborcohasset, on Twitter @cohsafeharbor, & on Instagram @safeharborcohassetcoalition.