



## The 2025 Reform Conference and Why It Took Place in Detroit

Last month, we hosted the [Reform Conference](#) in Detroit – our biggest one yet! Detroit is a leader in connecting people in crisis with help and proving what community care can look like. DPA and the Detroit Justice Center worked on this opinion piece to discuss why Reform came to Detroit.

[Read the Op-Ed](#)



## With Deep Gratitude

As we gather with our loved ones this holiday season, we hope you know that countless people can do the same this year because of you. Your support for the Drug Policy Alliance is saving lives and keeping families whole. From all of us at the Drug Policy Alliance, THANK YOU!

## Medications for Opioid Use Disorder

Buprenorphine is one of the most studied, safest, and most effective medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD), cutting overdose risk by about half. But it can be hard to find a doctor or pharmacy willing to prescribe it. We released a fact sheet with all the information you need!

**Learn More About  
MOUD**

## How Would You Spend \$1B on the Overdose Crisis?

The federal government has cut at least \$1 billion in funding that supports treatment, research, overdose prevention, and other life-saving services for addiction. We asked people how they would spend that money to address the overdose crisis. Here's what they had to say.

**Check Out the Video**

## Potential Changes to Marijuana Scheduling Under President Trump

In August, President Trump said that he was “looking at” potentially changing marijuana’s classification on the Controlled Substances Act. We put together a fact sheet explaining that Congress must deschedule marijuana entirely to end federal criminalization and ensure meaningful reform.

**Read the Fact Sheet**

## The Fight Continues to Protect SNAP

The Trump Administration continues to threaten withholding SNAP benefits from certain states. The recent government shutdown forced many to experience what is an everyday reality for individuals with a drug felony conviction in the 22 states that still enforce some form of a lifetime ban on SNAP. DPA continues to lead the fight to repeal the ban with the RESTORE Act in the next Farm Bill.

**How SNAP Impacts Drug  
Policy**



## FEATURED POST:

### Months in Review

Check out our October and November Months in Review to find out what has been happening in drug policy.

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## Drug Policy In The News

Wall Street Journal - [Drug Rehabs Lure In Patients for Insurance Money - Then Leave Them on the Street](#)

Filter - [Federal Marijuana Reform Must Include Immigrant Justice](#)

NPR - [Overdose Deaths are Down Across Much of the U.S. One Community Offers Clues as to Why](#)

WNYC - [Why Bombing 'Drug Boats' Will Do Nothing to Solve America's Fentanyl Crisis](#)

Amsterdam News - [New York City Reduces Black and Brown Opioid Overdose Deaths for the First Time Since 2018](#)

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