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Ms. Karen Perry
Narcotics Overdose Prevention & Education
3223 Commerce Place
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Dear Ms. Perry,

Thank you for your letter outlining NOPE's efforts on substance abuse prevention. Col. Bill Janes has shared with me the good work of your organization. Law enforcement officers, legal and healthcare professionals, and loved ones see the effects of drug abuse everyday. Reaching out to students about the dangers of drug abuse by those who directly deal with drug abuse is not only a wise strategy, it is imperative.

Florida is fortunate to have individuals who give so generously of their time and energy to address the issues facing our young people. Please accept my gratitude for making your community and our state a better place to live, to work and to raise a family.

Sincerely,

Jeff Kottkamp

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