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Heroin Task Force
Listening Sessions
May 18 & May 19, 2016

Friends,

There is no question that the heroin epidemic is challenging our already struggling communities and ruining the lives of a great many rural residents.

Our social services are strained, our school budgets were not prepared for the onslaught of problems created by the menace of opioid abuse.

In recent months, many of our schools have had to deal with students being ripped away from their classmates and homes as the problems of heroin wreck their havoc on parents and children alike.

In response to this critical issue, the Governor has created The Heroin Task Force. RSA's and Roxbury Central Schools own Tom O'Brien has been appointed to this body

The fist two listening sessions of the Task Force are scheduled for this Wednesday and Thursday.

It is vitally important that the Task force hear of the immediate need to address the problem.

If you or others in your district have anecdotal information you feel would benefit the Task Force in their deliberations, please call the contact information below and plan to testify.

## Wednesday, May 18 1pm

Syracuse University, Maxwell School Public Events Room (220 Eggers Hall) Syracuse, NY

Thursday, May 19
4pm
Medaille College
Main Building
18 Agassiz Circle
Buffalo, NY

## Thomas O'Brien, Superintendent of Roxbury Central School District 607-326-4151 extension 15

The heroin epidemic is not an urban issue let's help stop opioid abuse before it stops us.



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