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MEET THE MEXICAN SUPERHEROES

nation's first publicly sanctioned supervised consumption room, where people can bring illicit drugs and use them under the watchful eye of trained medical staff members. Technically speaking, such rooms are illegal in the United States. Under a law known as the crack house statute, anyone who maintains space for the purposes of facilitating illicit drug use can face hefty fines and long prison sentences. Underground operations have flourished for years in cities across the country. But even in liberal enclaves like Massachusetts and California, officials have balked at aboveground pilot

programs.
New York City became the first to reach this milestone in 2018, when the mayor at the time, Bill de Blasio, announced that he would not take any enforcement action against supervised consumption programs, and four of the city's five district attorneys quickly followed suit.

Since its official opening on Nov. 30, 2021, OnPoint has met with police, prosecutors and routinely thank Mr. J. League for their daily role in the program's success. But local civic groups

rious about yet another substance abuse program in a neighborhood dense with them, and have argued that, however well intentioned, the organization's approach will only make a bad problem worse. People who are addicted to drugs need tough love and harsh consequences, they insist, not coddling. Community outreach's mission was therefore twofold: Convince skeptics

These can be a net positive and persuade those with disorders to accept the help that was offering. I mandate that most in-

A homeless person at an OnPoint outreach van.



