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Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Montgomery

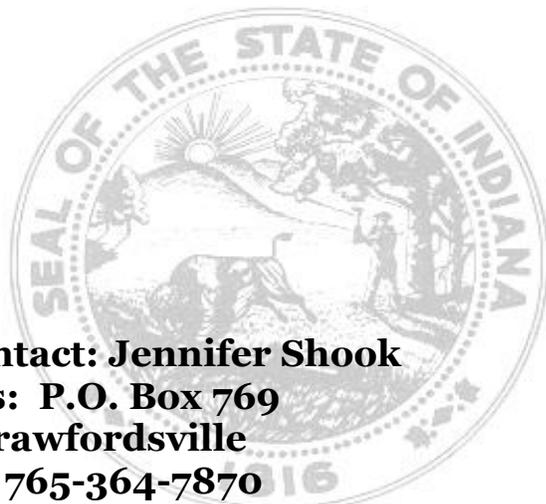
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Plan Summary

Mission Statement: The Montgomery County A.H.E.A.D. Coalition brings together a cross-section of the community in a county-wide effort to reduce youth and adult use and the negative impact of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs through multiple strategies across multiple sectors.

History: The Montgomery County A.H.E.A.D. Coalition, Advocates Helping to Educate Against Drugs, was convened in 1990 as the Local Coordinating Council for the Governor's Commission for a Drug-Free Indiana. The organization which has grown in both diversity of funding streams, staff and volunteer commitments over the years has experienced a downward trend in these areas in the past three years. Currently, the A.H.E.A.D. Coalition has one full-time and one part-time employee.

Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan: The Montgomery County A.H.E.A.D. Coalition is currently working with the Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau to get permission from the Governor's Commission to move the Local Coordinating Council to the latter organization. This is to ensure that the mission of drug prevention will remain strong in the Montgomery County community and be sustained beyond the existence of the A.H.E.A.D. Coalition. The current CCP reflects this transition to heighten focus on the most salient problems in the community as well as how to engage more community representatives in addressing the issues.

Membership List

County LCC Name:

#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	George Dowell	Business	C	M	Recovery
2	Denim Zachary	Community	C	M	Recovery
3	Jennifer York	Probation	C	F	Government
4	Amy Clark	Police	C	F	Law Enforcement
5	Dale Crowder	Mental Health	C	M	Treatment
6	Andrea Shook	Mental Health	C	F	Treatment
7	Jim Thatcher	Probation	C	M	Government
8	Clay Adams	Childrens' Services	C	M	Government
9	Cathy Malone	Community	C	F	Volunteer
10	Marikay Stultz	Mental Health	C	F	Treatment
11	Joyce Baker	Mental Health	C	F	Treatment
12	Pastor Stevens	Church	C	M	Faith
13	Kathy Steele	School Superintendent	C	F	Education
14	Colleen Moran	School Superintendent	C	F	Education
15	Jim Sessions	Police	C	M	Law Enforcement
16	Jen Brewer	Youth/Religious	C	F	Religion/Parent
17	Kalay Colley	Probation	C	F	Government
18	Hal Utterback	Police	C	M	Law Enforcement
19	Kathy Foreman	Hospital	C	F	Health Care
20	Mike Norman	Police	C	M	Law Enforcement
21	Amanda Schultz	Pharmacy	C	F	Business
22	Jan Yund	Community	C	F	Volunteer
23	Denise Cevilla	Parent	C	F	Parent
24	Jared McKinney	Youth	C	M	Student
25	Judge Siamas	Judge	C	M	Judicial
26	Judge Ault	Judge	C	M	Judicial
27	Judge Lohorn	Judge	C	F	Judicial
28	Scott Bowling	School	C	M	Eucation
29	Marilyn Richardson	Mental Health	C	F	Treatment
30	Jean Bristol	Nurse	C	F	Medical
31	Patty Kesler	Community	C	F	Parent
32	Judge Milligan	Judge	C	M	Judicial

33	Nancy Sennett	Hospital	C	F	Medical
34	Jennifer Shook	Civic	C	F	Social Services
35	Mark Casteel	Sheriff	C	M	Law Enforcement
36	Ryan Needham	Sheriff	C	M	Law Enforcement
37	Tom McKee	State Police	C	M	Law Enforcement
38	Rahi Patel	Youth	I	F	Student
39	Craig Reeves	Youth Services	C	M	Civic
40	Kathy Tobias	Adult Ed Instructor	C	F	Education
41	Joe Buser	Prosecutor	C	M	Judicial
42	Tina McGrady	Editor	C	F	Media
43	Brenda Deckard	Faith Leader	C	F	Faith
44	Kevin Parker	Ministry Leader	C	M	Faith/Recovery
45	AJ Rice	Police	C	M	Law Enforcement
46	Bev Weatherford	Hospital	C	F	Health Care
47	Angela Blessing	School Principal	C	F	Education
48	Ron Kyle	Teacher	C	M	Education
49	Rebecca Lang	Public Health Nurse	C	F	Government/Public Health
50	Shari Harrington	Health Department	C	F	Government/Public Health
51	Bart Jochim	Teacher	C	M	Education
52	Nikki Clendening	Community	C	F	Recovery
53	Mary Schiedler*	School Counselor	C	F	Education/Parent
54	Chris Amidon	School Nurse	C	F	Education/Nursing/Parent
56	Michael Cox	School	C	M	Education/Parent
57	Mike Sowers	School Principal	C	M	Education
58	Karen Branch	Youth Services	C	F	Civic
59	John Baird	Prosectuor	C	M	Government
60	Joey Gerold	Youth	C	M	Civic
61	Jennifer White	Civic/Youth	C	F	Civic
62	Jeremy Pate	Business	C	M	Business
63	Deborah Kochert	Youth	C	F	Civic
64	Katelyn Stump	Youth	C	F	Student
65	Todd Barton	Mayor	C	M	Government
66	Billy Davis	City Council/VFW	C	M	Government/Veteran

Problem Identification

A. Problem Statement #1: Prescription drug misuse continues to increase in frequency and severity for both youth and adults in this community.

B. Supportive Data:

1. In 2011 and 2012, the number one drug related cause of death in Montgomery County involved prescription drugs. For both years, 11 out of 12 such deaths involved prescription medication. Between 2002-2007, 25 out of 29 drug related deaths involved prescription drugs.
2. Prescription drug related crime accounted for seven percent of police activity in Montgomery County in 2012.
3. According to the 2012 State Epidemiological Report, Montgomery County received a priority ranking in the top 25 percent of counties in the state for problems with prescription drugs.
4. According to the 2012 Youth Use Report, 10.9 percent of 10th graders and 8.6 percent of 8th grade report use of prescription drugs. While both are decreases from the 2011 report, they are both higher than the state average. Montgomery County sixth graders also report a higher than state average use. The average first time reported use for youth in grades 6-12 is 14.1.
5. Based on a public poll in 2011, prescription drugs is considered the third most significant drug related problem in Montgomery County.

End of Year 1 Update:

1. In 2012, there were 15 overdose deaths related to prescription drugs and another 2 deaths where prescription drugs and alcohol were involved (per report of the Montgomery County Coroner).
2. A.H.E.A.D. just received the 2012 Youth Use Report from Indiana Prevention Resource Center as of the writing of this report.
3. Prescription drugs are still considered the third most significant drug problem in Montgomery County (per public polling) of 127 residents that included law enforcement, faith, recovery and personnel from the courts. The survey was conducted using Survey Monkey and each user could only be polled once.

C. Goals:

1. To reduce the number of prescription related deaths to under 10

2. To reduce the epidemiological report ranking from the Top 25 percent to the Top 50 percent.
3. To increase the average first time of use of prescription drugs to 15.0.
4. To increase all grades reported use above state average.

End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

1. There were over 15 deaths related to prescription drugs in 2012, in fact it was the highest number of deaths since 2000.

D. Objectives:

1. To facilitate at least 10 Prescription Drug Task Force meetings per year to increase the public's awareness on related problems and connect the law enforcement, pharmacists, and physicians in Montgomery County.
2. To conduct on-going public education seminars on prescription drug misuse prevention; including but not limited to targeted seminars for law enforcement, treatment personnel, court staff, and medical professionals.
3. To facilitate safe and secure medication take-back programs in the community.
4. To facilitate Montgomery County medical practitioners to use the INSPECT system.
5. To use local media outlets, including but not limited to newspaper, radio, television, billboards, and social media sites to raise the community's awareness on prescription drug issues.
6. To engage school corporations in educating students on prescription drug misuse prevention.

End of Year 1 Update:

1. There were 10 Prescription Drug Task Force meetings in 2011. The average number of attendance has increased during the course of the past 12 months. An average of 15 people now attend the monthly meetings.
2. In 2012, A.H.E.A.D. facilitated a law enforcement training that was specific to prescription drug criminal behavior. Approximately 20 representatives from local and state law enforcement entities were represented.
3. A.H.E.A.D. sponsored two Medication Take-Back programs in 2012 and is has installed two permanent sites in 2012. Information on the amount of medication retrieved was not kept for reporting purposes.
4. The majority of local medical practitioners report (via Survey Monkey) that they are registered with INSPECT. Montgomery County has 71 registered Doctor's and Dentist's. As of this report 58 have responded and indicate that

they do use the INSPECT system on a regular basis. Follow up phone calls were made after the Survey Monkey data was collected to verify accuracy.

5. In 2012, there were two billboard campaigns (one in spring and one in fall) and a three-month radio campaign in Montgomery County. A.H.E.A.D. used its website, Facebook, and Twitter to engage the community as well.

AHEAD has 63 “friends” on Facebook and 89 “followers” on Twitter.

6. The three school corporations have allowed A.H.E.A.D.’s Outreach Coordinator to use the “Shatter the Myths of Prescription Drug Abuse” curriculum in coordination with the Project Toward No Tobacco curriculum already being taught. So far in the 2011 school year, almost 1,600 students have participated. The final numbers for Project TNT are 1,897 6th through 10th graders in Montgomery Counties three school systems.

A. Problem Statement #2: Montgomery County youth and adults are illegally using legal drugs and illegal drugs that results in a strain on the county-wide systems including but not limited to: education, treatment/intervention, law enforcement, and the courts. In addition, the high rates of use decrease the overall quality of life in the community.

B. Supportive Data:

1. According to the 2012 Youth Use Report, Montgomery County youth have above average in the following grades/drugs:

- Cigarettes: 6, 8, 9, 10 & 11
- Cigars: 6, 8 & 10
- Smokeless Tobacco: 8, 9, 10 & 11
- Marijuana: 6
- Inhalants: 6, 7, 8 & 11
- Alcohol: 6
- Over the Counter: 6 & 8
- Prescription drugs: 7 & 8

2. According to the 2011 Youth Use Report, the average first time drug use is age 13.8.

3. There were a total of 314 youth referrals to the Montgomery County Probation Department in 2011 and 14 percent of them were alcohol or drug related.

4. In 2012, there were 67 total referrals to the Youth Service Bureau's Teen Court and 40 percent were drug or alcohol related.

5. In 2012, based on unofficial tracking, there were 767 drug and alcohol related arrests in Montgomery County. This included: 16 percent involving marijuana, 32 percent involving illegal alcohol use, 16 percent involving methamphetamine, eight percent involving cocaine and heroin, and 18 percent involving unnamed substances.

6. In 2012, the Indiana State Police seized nine methamphetamine labs in Montgomery County.

7. According to the 2012 epidemiological report for Indiana, Montgomery County earned an overall drug problem priority ranking in the top 25 percent of all counties. This

included: being in the top 10 percent of counties for marijuana and methamphetamine and the top 25 percent of counties for cocaine.

8. According to the 2012 epidemiological report, the top three reasons that Montgomery County residents report seeking treatment are (1) alcohol and marijuana abuse; (2) alcohol and cocaine abuse; and (3) marijuana and methamphetamine abuse.

9. Based on a public survey, methamphetamine was identified as the biggest drug problem facing Montgomery County. The survey also indicated that the public's perception of concerns involved alcohol abuse (#4), marijuana (#5), and heroin (#6).

1. There were a total of 354 youth referrals to the Montgomery County Probation Department in 2012 and 20 percent were related to alcohol/drugs.

2. In 2012, there were 143 arrests for minor consumption of alcohol and 8 arrests for underage possession of tobacco.

3. According to informal 2012 law enforcement statistics, there were 708 arrests related to drugs or alcohol in Montgomery County. In an increase from 2010, 22 percent were related to marijuana, 67 percent related to illegal use of alcohol, and 58 involving all illegal drugs (i.e. possession, intent to deal, dealing, etc). Cocaine was noted in three arrests, heroin in 8, and methamphetamine in 25.

4. In 2012, the Indiana State Police seized nine meth labs in Montgomery County (same as 2011).

Goals:

- 1. To increase all grades reported use of all drugs above state average.**
- 2. To increase the average first time use of all drugs to 15.0**
- 3. To reduce the number of referrals to the Probation Department and Teen Court by 2 percent per year.**
- 4. To reduce the epidemiological report ranking from the Top 10 percent to the Top 25 percent in marijuana and methamphetamine; and from the Top 25 percent to the Top 50 percent in cocaine. Also, to move the overall drug problem ranking from the Top 25 to Top 50 percent.**
- 5. To monitor an official drug related arrest tracking system for Montgomery County.**

1. There was an increase in overall youth referrals to probation and an increase in those related to drugs.

2. A.H.E.A.D. has an official arrest report from the prosecutor's office

D. Objectives:

- 1. To facilitate at least six Community Coalition meetings per year to increase the public's awareness on drug problems, prevention strategies, and other networking opportunities in Montgomery County.**
- 2. To conduct on-going public education seminars to youth and adult audiences.**
- 3. To support school- and community-based evidence-based education programs.**
- 4. To support local treatment partners to assist individuals in recovery achieve and maintain sobriety.**
- 5. To support local law enforcement partners to ensure that have current resources available to promote community safety.**
- 6. To work with the Prosecutor's Office to obtain accurate and official arrest data.**

End of Year 1 Update:

- 1. AHEAD facilitated six Coalition meetings in 2012. The average attendance per meeting is 15.**
- 2. AHEAD conducted approximately 19 presentations in the community in 2012. Information on attendance was not maintained for reporting purposes.**
- 3. AHEAD supports Project Toward No Tobacco, Shatter the Myths of Prescription Drug Abuse, DARE, and Celebrate Recovery programs in Montgomery County.**
- 4. AHEAD works closely with the Montgomery County Drug Court and its providers. There is on-going support provide to the three primary treatment as well as recovery service providers. The Drug Court was a 2012 recipient of a mini-grant award from the LCC.**
- 5. AHEAD is actively involved with community policing initiatives with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office and Crawfordsville Police Department. No data on this up-date was kept for reporting purposes.**
- 6. AHEAD received the official arrest data from the Prosecutor's Office.**

Next Annual Update Due: June 2013

Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: April 2014

Date of Community Consultant Review:

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