

Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

A Division of the



Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Washington

LCC: Washington County Substance Abuse Council

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New Plan **Plan Update**



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Plan Summary

Mission Statement: It is the mission of the Washington County Substance Abuse Council to improve the quality of life of the people of Washington County by addressing the problem of substance abuse in our community through awareness and prevention of substance abuse at all levels, comprehensive substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation programs, community involvement in fighting substance abuse and support of law enforcement involving substance abuse crimes.

(The mission statement was edited when we reviewed and corrected our bylaws in 2010.)

History:

A Washington County Drug-Free coalition was formed in September, 1988, by the Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana's Southeast Regional Advisory Board. This coalition was recognized by the Governor's Commission as the Local Coordinating Council with state recognition of the Family Alcohol/Drug Program in January 1990. In the fall of 1990, the County Prosecutor's Office and members of the Awareness leadership Program began Washington County Against Substance Abuse as WCASA. By-laws were adopted and a resolution was signed by the County Commissioners acknowledging WCASA as the agency to review all expenditures of Drug-Free Communities Fund for the County. A community needs assessment in 1990 indicated the need for coordination between county agencies, the need for data and follow up on individual cases and a need for an organization and support groups for those involved in drug programs. In July, 1994, the name WCASA was dropped and the group became known as the Washington County Local Coordinating Council. Since January, 1995, the LCC has been known as the Washington County Substance Abuse Council. The Council has made significant strides since it began and develops a plan each year for drug-free schools and community including adults and children. The LCC combines judicial, law enforcement, service agencies, and schools as well as involving many community leaders and members. The geographic area covered by the LCC includes three school systems, Eastern, Salem and West Washington. It also includes the town of Salem, Pekin, Little York, Livonia, Hardinsburg, Fredericksburg and Campbellsburg as well as several smaller community groupings.

A Drug Free Community Support Grant was received in 1999 which allowed the hiring of a full-time director for oversight of day-to-day operations and to provide increased marketing of the Council and its presence in the community. The Drug Free Community Support Grant was renewed nine times because of timely required reports and the community collaboration that works together to combat substance abuse. The Drug Free Community Support Grant ended in September 2009.

With the Drug Free Community Support Grant not longer available, the full-time director stepped down and a part-time coordinator was hired in January 2010 to oversee the day-to-day operations.

Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:

The Washington County Comprehensive plan consists of two problem statements with supporting data, goals and objectives.

1. Youth in the county are using/abusing alcohol and drugs.
2. Adults in the county misuse/abuse alcohol and drugs.

Membership List

County LCC Name:

#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Myra Albertson	Washington County Probation	W	F	Criminal Justice
2	Beth Armstrong	Youth First & Koffee Klub Co-host	W	F	Youth Serving & Media
3	Jessica Axsom	Salem High School	W	F	Youth
4	Shelby Bagshaw	Salem High School	W	F	Youth
5	Connie Benson	Hoosier Hills PACT DV Shelter	W	F	Criminal Justice & Treatment
6	David Bower	City of Salem Mayor	W	M	City Government
7	Anne Brown	YMCA	W	F	Youth Serving

8	Brittany Campbell	Salem High School	W	F	Youth
9	Vance Coble	Peerless	W	M	Labor At-Large
10	John Fultz	County Commissioner	W	M	County Government
11	Sarah Haynes	WW Jr/Sr High School	W	F	Schools & Youth Serving
12	Robert Holler	Minister & Koffee Klub Co-host & Rotary	W	M	Faith & Media & Service Agency
13	Dustin Houchin	Washington County Prosecutor	W	M	Criminal Justice
14	Kris Hunley	OK Ministry	W	M	Faith
15	Kate Jones	Eastern High School	W	F	Schools & Youth Serving
16	Robert Klinglesmith	The Good Samaritan Inn	W	M	Faith & Recovering
17	Jerome Losson	Delaney Creek Park Manager	W	M	Youth Serving
18	Teresa Mays	Washington County Probation	W	M	Criminal Justice
19	Rhonda Mills	Tobacco Coalition	W	F	Service Agency
20	Brent Minton	Salem Middle School	W	M	Schools & Youth Serving
21	Sean Misamore	The Good Samaritan Inn	W	M	Faith
22	Marji Morris	SOAR! & Awareness Washington Co	W	F	Criminal Justice & Service Agency
23	Frank Newkirk	Washington County Superior Court Judge	W	M	Criminal Justice
24	Amy Nierman	Washington County 4-H Council	W	F	Youth Serving
25	Laura O'Donnell	Hoosier Hills PACT	W	F	Criminal Justice & Parent & Grandparent

26	Jeanne Page	Salem High School SADD	W	F	Schools & Youth Serving
27	Jeffrey Petty	None	W	M	Labor At-Large
28	Brian S. Ratts	Salem Police Chief	W	M	Law Enforcement
29	Deborah Rippey	West Washington SADD	W	F	Schools & Youth Serving
30	Erica Schmidt	SOAR!	W	F	Criminal Justice & Service Agency
31	Monika Spaulding	Big Brothers/Big Sisters	W	F	Youth Serving
32	Wally Terkhorn	Salem City Council	W	M	City Government
33	Nathan Teusch	Indiana State Police	W	M	Law Enforcement
34	Eva Warren-Hill	Hoosier Hills PACT & PCA	W	F	Criminal Justice & Youth Serving
35	Nicholas Weymouth	None	W	M	Labor At-Large
36	Karen York	WW Jr/Sr High School Principal	W	F	Schools & Youth Serving
37	Keeley Stingle	Hoosier Uplands	W	F	Youth and Family Serving
38	Pam Jones	Jail Ministries	W	F	Volunteer

Problem Identification

A. Problem Statement #1: Youth in Washington County are using/abusing drugs and alcohol.

B. Supportive Data:

1. “Students from Salem Community Schools reported prevalence rates higher than the state rates. In particular, students reported prevalence rates for cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, cigars, and inhalants that were higher than the state rates.” *Indiana Prevention Resource Center – 2013 Survey.*
2. More than 50% of students had high risk factors for laws and norms favorable to drugs (12th) and family conflict (8th). Also, more than 50% of students had low protective factors for community rewards for involvement (8th, 10th, and 12th), school rewards for prosocial involvement (12th), and peer-individual interaction with prosocial peers (10th). *Indiana Prevention Resource Center – 2013 Survey at Salem Community Schools.*
3. According to the Indiana Prevention Resource Center, 20.8 percent of Sophomores, 20.2 percent of Juniors and 13.5 percent of Seniors reported using marijuana during a one-month period in 2013. Also, 5.9 percent of sophomores, 4.4 percent of Juniors and 5.4 percent of Seniors reported using prescription drugs. These numbers were reported in 2013 for Salem High School.
4. As for alcohol use, 30.7 percent of Sophomores, 32.5 percent of Juniors and 32.4 percent of Seniors reported using alcohol in a one-month period. The numbers for binge drinking were: 25.7 percent of Sophomores, 16.7 percent of Juniors and 17.6 of Seniors. These were all reported in 2013 at Salem High School.
5. “According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse, risk indicators for a child’s future drug use include, but are not limited to, a caregiver abusing ATODs, association with drug-abusing peers, and holding the belief that ATOD use is generally tolerated. With this in mind, 98% of students in our Middle School Programming reported knowing someone close to them who used ATODs. In our Day Camps, Kids Club, SPARKS and ROCKS programming, students receive curriculum and activities that help increase their resiliency against ATODs by increasing their life skills, Participants in other youth development activities have an increased resilience due to their participating in healthy activities with positive role models.” *Washington County Family YMCA*

6. There is no information available for the other two county school corporations: East Washington and West Washington.

End of Year 1 Update:

End of Year 2 Update:

Final Update (end of Year 3):

C. Goal:

1. To decrease the number of youth who use alcohol on a monthly basis by 2%.
2. To decrease the number of youth who use prescription drugs by 2%.

End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:

Final Report (end of Year 3)

D. Objectives:

1. Encourage participation of all schools in the IPRC survey and to develop a better reporting system to gauge the level of use by Washington youth.
2. Support the groups/organizations providing extracurricular activities in the hopes that it will keep the kids interested and involved and thus spending less time at home maybe alone.
3. Support the dissemination of information directed toward youth containing substance abuse information, numbers, and/or pledges against drugs and/or alcohol.
4. To show support by attending and/or publicizing events organized by other groups/organizations focusing on Prevention/Education.

5. Support existing and encourage new treatment options for those youth experiencing substance abuse issues.
6. Support evidence-based justice and law enforcement programs and initiatives aimed at youth.

End of Year 1 Update:**End of Year 2 Update:****Final Update (end of Year 3):****A. Problem Statement #2: Adults in Washington County misuse/abuse drugs, alcohol and tobacco.****B. Supportive Data:**

1. In 2013, six hundred and sixty-seven adults were arrested for drugs and alcohol. Out of the 667, four hundred and eighty-eight were alcohol offenses, 179 were drug arrests and 219 were put on probation for drug and alcohol charges. **Washington County Probation Office*
2. The adult smoking rate for Washington County was updated by the County Health Rankings report and remains the same at 43%. **2013 County Health Rankings Report*
3. There were 111 callers to the Quitline in 2013. **ITPC Quitline Stats*
4. “Our county target reach goal is 2.0% of smokers. The goal is statewide. Since July 1, 2013, we have reached 1.11% of smokers. The state reach was .95%. We are third in the state for this measure.” **ITPC Dashboard Report*
5. Regular alcohol abuse is one of the leading risk factors for intimate partner violence. A battering incident that is coupled with alcohol abuse may be more severe and result in greater injury. In 2013, the Domestic Violence Shelter housed 70 families, including 59 children. There were a total of 133 domestic violence related victims reported in 2013. **Hoosier Hills PACT Domestic Violence Shelter*
7. The increased drug activity in the county has had a profound effect on all demographic groups, as a great number of the serious crimes filed by the Prosecutor’s office have been directly or indirectly linked to illicit drugs. Information received from local law enforcement agencies indicate that a high percentage of the robbery, burglary, theft, forgery, battery, domestic violence and

dependent neglect cases filed by this office in recent years have been directly linked to illicit drug dependence of the offenders. **The Washington County Prosecutor's Office*

- 8. There were 5 deaths related to prescription overdoses in Washington County in 2013; 2 were related to heroin and 2 deaths directly related to alcohol. **Rondale Brishaber, Washington County Coroner*

End of Year 1 Update:

End of Year 2 Update:

Final Update (end of Year 3):

C. Goals:

- 1. Decrease the number of adults charged with alcohol and other drug-related offenses by 2%.
- 2. Conduct/participate in 2 drug drop operations in the county for the next three years.
- 3. Continue supporting the local Tobacco Coalition in all of its efforts to increase the number of callers to the Quitline by 2%.

End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:

End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:

Final Report (end of Year 3)

D. Objectives:

- 1. Support Intervention/Treatment or other related programs
- 2. Encourage community agencies and participate in initiatives that address alcohol abuse by supporting education and awareness efforts in Washington County targeting specific age groups with pertinent and appropriate information, i.e., fact sheets, lunch and learn/speakers, newspaper/radio media.

3. Collaborate with the Tobacco Coalition on the fight against smoking by supporting the director in her efforts, sponsoring anti-smoking campaigns and contests in Washington County, as well as sponsoring the director when she attends workshops.
4. Support law enforcement and justice initiatives that increase law enforcement capacities to investigate substance-related crimes through training, special patrols, support multi-jurisdictional task forces, data collection, etc.
5. Support law enforcement in planning and executing an annual or semi-annual “drug drop day” in Washington County.

End of Year 1 Update:

End of Year 2 Update:

Final Update (end of Year 3):

Please attach the County’s Fiscal Report for review!

Next Annual Update Due: June 2015

Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: June 2017

Date of Community Consultant Review:

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The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a “denied approval” by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

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