# The Indiana Commission to Combat Drug Abuse



## Behavioral Health Division

# 2025 Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Dearborn

LCC Name: Community Advocating for Substance-Abuse Awareness

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## Vision Statement

What is your Local Coordinating Council's vision statement?

Dearborn County Citizens will be empowered to make safe and healthy choices free from the harms of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

## **Mission Statement**

What is your Local Coordinating Council's mission statement?

Develop and support a comprehensive community plan focused on preventing and reducing substance abuse and addiction among youth and adults in Dearborn County by driving impactful advocacy efforts.

Membership List					
#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Kristina Martin	Dearborn County	W	F	Criminal Justice
		Prosecutor's Office			
2	Kara Goode	DCYA	W	F	Prevention
3	Cam Spence	DCYA	W	M	Prevention
4	Brian Miller	L'burg Police	W	M	Criminal Justice
5	Ryan Goode	Pastor -Hamline Chapel	W	M	Intervention
6	Kelley McDaniel	Perfect North	W	F	Prevention
7	Curt Borntrager	SD High School	W	M	Prevention
8	Kendra Fink	St. Elizabeth Healthcare	W	F	Intervention Prevention
9	Marsheila Wagers	1Voice	W	F	Intervention
10	Stacey Perleberg	Civista Bank	W	F	Prevention
11	Garret Bascom	Bascom & Kisor Law Firm	W	M	Criminal Justice
12	Miranda Chase	<b>Eagle 99.3</b>	W	F	Prevention
13	Rich Richardson	City of Lawrenceburg	W	M	Prevention
14	Shane Slack	Greendale Police	W	M	Criminal Justice
15	Brian Miller	Lawrenceburg Police	W	M	Criminal Justice
16	Marcia Parcell	Dearborn County Purdue Extension	W	F	Prevention
17	Elizabeth Beiersdorfer	Dearborn County Purdue Extension	W	F	Prevention
18	Jenn Ruter	Big Brothers Big Sisters	W	F	Prevention
19	Stephanie Hartman	CHOICES	W	F	Intervention

20	Jascia Robinson	PATHS	W	F	Prevention
21	Abby Stecht	DC Probation	W	F	Criminal Justice
22	Maria Coudret	SIEOC	W	F	Prevention
23	Ryan Johnson	<b>Heart House</b>	W	M	Prevention
24	Kylee Fitzgerald	Big Brothers Big Sisters	W	F	Prevention
25	Daleena Barnes	DC Tobacco Control	W	F	Prevention
26	Kelsey Rice	St Elizabeth Healthcare & 1Voice	W	F	Intervention
27	Jessica Martini	Purdue Extension Office	W	F	Prevention
28	Kelsey Brinson	SIEOC	$\mathbf{W}$	F	Prevention
29	Kayla Hayes	CHOICES CERT	W	F	Intervention
30	Hannah Smith	SIEOC	W	F	Prevention

## **LCC Meeting Schedule:**

Please provide the months the LCC meets throughout the year:

January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December.

## **Community Needs Assessment: Results**

The first step in developing an effective substance use and misuse reduction plan is to assess your community. A community assessment tells you about your community's readiness to implement prevention, treatment, and justice-related programs to address substance use and misuse. An assessment also provides an overview of the risk and protective factors present in the community, helping your coalition plan more effectively.

#### **Community Profile**

County Name	
Dearborn	

**County Population** 

51,215

Schools in the community

Sunman-Dearborn Community Schools, Lawrenceburg Community Schools, South Dearborn Community Schools, St. Lawrence Catholic School.

Medical care providers in the community (hospitals, health care centers, medical centers/clinics, etc.) Dearborn County Health Department, St. Elizabeth Healthcare, Lawrenceburg Urgent Care, St. Elizabeth Urgent Care, VA Medical Center, INcompass Health Clinics.

Mental health care providers in the community (hospitals with psychiatric/behavioral health units, mental health clinics, private/public providers, etc.)

INcompass Mental health Clinics, Bridges Counseling, Ireland Home Services, Choices Community Care

#### Service agencies/organizations

Southeast Indiana Economic Opportunity Corporation, United Way of SE Indiana, River Valley Resources, Clearinghouse Food Pantry, North Dearborn Pantry, Purdue Extension Office, Heart House Homeless Shelter, Dearborn County Community Foundation, Court Appointed Advocates, NAMI of SE Indiana, Safe Passage, One Community One Family, Community Blessing Boxes, Nicotine Action Alliance. Yes Home.

Local media outlets that reach the community

Eagle Country 99.3, The Beacon, Register Publications, WRBI, The 812.

What are the substances that are most problematic in your community? Alcohol, Nicotine, Marijuana, Methamphetamines, Opiates

List all substance use/misuse services/activities/programs presently taking place in the community INcompass, Unity House, Southeast Indiana Comprehensive Treatment Center, Groups Recover Together, Journey Recovery Center, Choices CERT Recovery Team, 1Voice Challenge to Change, Purdue Extension Strengthening Families, Dearborn County Health Department - TPC Programming St. Elizabeth Dearborn Recovery Support Services, St. Lawrence Jail Ministry, Youth Encouragement Services, National Alliance of Mental Health, Dearborn County Prosecutor's Office Diversion Programming, Jail Chemical Addiction Program, Faith Recovery Network, Big Brother Big Sister Mentoring Program, One Community One Family Parent Cafe Trauma Informed Care, Youth Move SE Indiana, Dearborn County Community Action Recovery Effort, Groups Recover Together, Celebrate Recovery Lawrenceburg Greendale Harrison. Dearborn County Youth Ambassadors

Use the list of risk and protective factors to identify those present in your community. Identify the resources/assets and limitations/gaps that exist in your community related to each. The lists are not all-inclusive and others may apply.

<u>Risk Factors Examples:</u> trauma and toxic stressors; poverty violence; neighborhood characteristics; low neighborhood attachment; community disorganization; community norms and laws favorable toward drug use, firearms, and crime; availability of alcohol and other drugs; weak family relationships; family substance use; peer substance use; mental health problems; families moving frequently from home to home; limited prevention and recovery resources.

<u>Protective Factors Examples:</u> strong family relationships; neighborhood economic viability; low childhood stress; access to health care; access to mental health care; community-based interventions; restricted access to alcohol and other drugs including restrictive laws and excise taxes; safe, supportive, and connected neighborhoods; meaningful youth engagement opportunities; local policies and practices that support healthy norms and child-youth programs; positive connection to adults.<sup>1</sup>

Risk Factors	Resources/Assets	Limitations/Gaps
1.Due to favorable adult attitudes towards alcohol, tobacco and marijuana, family relationships are suffering and perpetuating a cycle of substance abuse.	1.Faith based options throughout the county. Strengthening Families Program is available.      2.CARE, INcompass Family Therapy      3.Nicotine Action Alliance, Mobile Outreach Partnership	1.Local and state legislatures should focus on prevention policies. 2.Families should seek help regardless of our culture. 3.More and more communities have DORA districts.
2.Due to availability, peer pressure and normalization of substance use, there is an increase in vaping, E-Cigarette and alcohol use amongst our youth.	1.InCompass Crisis team, CERT,  2.Nicotine Action Alliance, Dearborn County Youth Ambassadors, One Voice  3.DCYA Red Ribbon Week programs	1.School need more prevention programs 2.Retailers sell to juveniles because of minor penalties. 3.Community events have alcohol, thus giving the impression that alcohol is normal.
3. There is a lack of knowledge surrounding the negative effects of alcohol and substance use, especially vaping.	1.Nicotine Action Alliance 2.One Voice 3.CARE	1.Educating youth in lower grades 2.Reaching Adults 3.Promotion of alcohol in Dearborn County

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<b>Protective Factors</b>	Resources/Assets	Limitations/Gaps
1.Strong community programming around families.	1.Faith Based resources	1.Parent participation
	2.Strengthening Families Program	2.Transportation
	3.Lawrenceburg Community Center Youth Programs	3.Lack of interest and "taking the time" to participate.
2.Meaningful youth activities that encourage youth to	1.SADD, DCYA, Hope Squad.	1.Lack of transportation
participate and feel a positive part of the community	2.4 H, Big Brothers Big Sisters	2.Parent buy in.
part of the community	3.Lawrenceburg Community Center	3. Parents taking the time to help their kids
3.Trusted adults are needed to provide a positive engagement	1.Big Brothers Big Sisters	1.Parents/caregivers are unaware of resources
after school.	2.4H programming	2.Transportation issues
	3.Dearborn County Youth Ambassadors	3. Vetting adults who want to help.

## **Making A Community Action Plan**

Now that you have completed a community assessment and have identified the risk and protective factors that exist, you can develop a plan of action. The Comprehensive Community Plan (CCP) is a systematic and community-driven gathering, analysis, and reporting of community-level indicators for the purpose of identifying and addressing local substance use problems.

- Step 1: Create problem statements, and ensure problems statements are in line with statutory requirements
- Step 2: Ensure your problem statements are evidence-informed, then prioritize
- Step 3: Brainstorm what can be done about each
- Step 4: Prioritize your list, and develop SMART goal statements for each
- Step 5: List the steps to achieve each goal

## **Step 1: Create + Categorize Problem Statements**

Create problem statements as they relate to each of the identified risk factors.

Risk Factors	Problem Statement(s)
1.Adults having relaxed attitudes towards alcohol,vaping and marijuana contribute to the substance abuse issues in Dearborn County.	1.Youth use and misuse marijuana, vaping products, and alcohol due to adult attitudes.      2.Culture promotes the use of vapes, alcohol and marijuana.
2.Due to availability and relaxed attitudes towards the normalization of substance use, there has been an increase in youth vaping and e-cigarette use.	1.Youth needs more education and assets to increase protective factors around substance abuse.  2.The retail environment, especially in neighboring states, promoting the use of vaping products gives our youth the false sense of confidence that nicotine and marijuana are safe.
3. There is a lack of knowledge surrounding the negative effects of substance use, especially vaping.	1.Adults in Dearborn County use and misuse alcohol and other drugs.      2.Poverty in Dearborn County makes addressing Substance Use Disorder challenging.

#### **Step 2: Evidence-Informed Problem Statements**

Identify your top three problem statements using local or state data. Ensure that there is a problem statement for each co-equal funding category (e.g., prevention/education; intervention/treatment; and criminal justice services and activities).

Problem Statements	Data That Establishes Problem	Data Source
1.Dearborn County Youth use and misuse alcohol, marijuana and vaping products. This is due to availability, peer pressure, and the relaxed attitudes by parents and caregivers	E-Cigarette products remain the most prevalent nicotine -related product used by Dearborn County youth.  According to the 2024 Indiana Youth Survey, from 7.9% to 14% of high school youth have vaped in the last 30 days.  According to the Indiana Youth Survey, from 10% to as high as 23.7% of teens from 8th grade to 12th grade have used alcohol in the last 30 days.  Marijuana usage was from 5.0% to 8.7% for the same grade group.  Respondents of the survey claim that in grades 8 and 9, parents were the most frequent sources of alcohol due to parent approval.	2024 Indiana Youth Survey Indiana Youth Tobacco Survey Dearborn County Prosecutor Youth Legal System Data.
2.Adults in Dearborn County use and misuse alcohol and other drugs.	18.7% of adults reported that they are currently smoking in Dearborn County.  16.7% of adults reported that they drink excessively.  In 2023, there were 594 drug and alcohol arrests in Dearborn County.	2023 IPRC Dearborn County snapshot Next Level Recovery data 2023
3.Families and youth need more assets and care to increase protective factors around substance use.	In 2023, 27 children were removed from their homes and parents due to alcohol and/or drugs.  The Indiana Youth Survey shows that in homes where there is less knowledge of the destructive outcomes of alcohol and drug abuse, the more likely hood of the youth in that household using or abusing alcohol, tobacco or drugs.	2023 IPRC Dearborn County snapshot Indiana Youth Survey

## **Step 3: Brainstorm**

Consider the resources/assets and limitations/gaps that were identified for each risk factor, and list what actions can be taken for each identified problem statement.

Problem Statements	What can be done (action)?
1.Dearborn County youth use and abuse alcohol, marijuana, and vaping products due to the relaxed attitudes towards these substances by parents and caregivers.	1.Promote parent informational meetings through the Community Center, school PTA's, and churches.      2.Use media as a way to communicate an education/prevention message.      3.Sponsor and/or support prevention events.
2.Families and youth need more education assets and a continuum of care to increase protective factors around substance abuse.	1.Expand the Dearborn County Youth     Ambassador Program, expand the SADD     programs in county schools     2.Educate lawmakers to help with legislation     around violations of sales to minors.  3.Develop and promote family activities that have meaningful opportunities for prevention.
3.Adults in Dearborn County use and misuse alcohol, drugs, and E-Cigarettes.	1. Share community resources to address barriers parents/caregivers may have.  2. Educate parents/caregivers on the destructive health effects on their use of alcohol, nicotine and drugs, and the effect it is having on their children.  3. Create buy in from parents through school organizations such as PTA's.

#### **Step 4: Develop SMART Goal Statements**

For each problem statement, prioritize your list of what can be done. Choose your top two actions for each. Then, develop goal statements that demonstrate what change you hope to achieve and by when you hope to achieve it.

#### Problem Statement #1

#### Goal1

Work with the County Schools to develop programs, materials to educate the students of the destructive outcomes of using or abusing alcohol and drugs and the impact it would have on their life.

#### Goal 2

The goal is awareness! Through programs and other methods, we want to help the students become more aware of the dangerous path they are taking if they are involved in using or abusing alcohol, drugs, etc.

#### **Problem Statement #2**

#### Goal 1

Increase awareness with adults on the impact they are having with the youth on their relaxed opinions on drug and alcohol use.

#### Goal 2

Work with the local school's PTA's or other parent organizations.

#### Problem Statement #3

#### Goal 1

Work with the local law enforcement agencies, Dearborn County Prosecutor's Office, Local schools to promote education resources for parents/caregivers.

#### Goal 2

Increase Parent/caregiver awareness of the problems and their impact on youth's future and educate youth on how their choices in life will impact their future.

## **Step 5: Plans to Achieve Goals**

For each goal, list the steps required to achieve each

Problem Statement #1	Steps
Goal 1 Reduce the number of teen actions and incidents of illegal drugs and vaping use by 2% in the 2025-2026 school year.	<ol> <li>Dearborn County Youth Ambassador Program.</li> <li>SADD Program at SD High School</li> <li>Programs aimed at prevention,</li> </ol>
Goal 2 The goal is awareness! Through programs and other methods, we want to help the students become more aware of the dangerous path they are taking if they are involved in using or abusing alcohol, drugs, etc.	1.DCYA Program 2.Lawrenceburg Community Center . programs 3.Law enforcement agencies sponsoring youth events such as "Shop With a Cop" and fishing derbys that spread a message of prevention
Problem Statement #2	Steps
Goal 1 Increase awareness with adults on the impact they are having with the youth on their relaxed opinions on drug and alcohol use.	1.Involve Coalition members in community events to express the theme of prevention.      2.Encourage Coalition members to speak to their clientele concerning prevention.
Goal 2 Increase parents involvement in afterschool programs by creating resources and implementing programs that emphasize the importance of parents working to prevent vaping, alcohol and drug abuse with their children.	1.Support local school PTO's  2.Encourage parents to volunteer at after school activities.  3.Work with local schools to start prevention themed weeks and include the DCYA in Red Ribbon Week.

Problem Statement #3	Steps
Goal 1	1.Support Court system programs such as
Decrease arrests involving alcohol and drugs by	JCAP, Choice and CARE
1% in Dearborn County and recidivism rate by 1%	
by supporting recovery programming.	2.Encourage our Faith based Coalition members to start programs such as Celebrate Recovery.
	3.Support 1Voice and SIEOC programs in the community.
Goal 2	
Strengthen relationships between local law enforcement agencies and the community.	1.Promote programs in the community that involve local police departments such as Lawrenceburg police Fishing Derby, Greendale Police National Night Out and County Sheriff's Shop With A Cop Program.

#### **Fund Document**

The fund document allows the LCC to provide finances available to the coalition at the beginning of the year. The fund document gauges an LCC's fiscal wellness to empower their implementation of growth within their community. The fund document also ensures LCCs meet the statutory requirement of funding programs within the three categories of (1) Prevention/Education, (2) Treatment/Intervention, and (3) Criminal Justice Services and Activities (IC 5-2-11-5).

#### **Funding Profile**

Amount of funds deposited into the County Drug Free Community Fund from fees collected last year (\$100.00):

\$75,212.00

Amount of unused funds that rolled over from the previous year (\$100.00):

\$15,127.00

Total funds available for programs and administrative costs for the upcoming year (\$100.00): \$90.339.00

Amount of funds granted the year prior (\$100.00):

\$58,080

How much money is received from the following entities (if no money is received, please enter \$0.00): \$0.00

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):

Bureau of Justice Administration (BJA):

Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP):

Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH):

Indiana Department of Education (DOE):

Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA):

Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA):

Local entities:

Other:

Funding allotted to prevention/education; intervention/treatment; and criminal justice services and activities (\$100.00):

Prevention/Education: Intervention/Treatment: Justice: \$22,584.75 \$22,584.75

Funding allotted to Administrative costs:		
Itemized list of what is being funded	Amount (\$100.00)	
CASA Youth Coordinator Salary	\$22,584.75	

Funding allotted by Goal per Problem Statement:				
Problem Statement #1 Problem Statement #2		Problem Statement #3		
Goal 1: \$11,292.38	Goal 1: \$11,292.38	Goal 1: \$11,292.38		
Goal 2: \$11,292.37	Goal 2: \$11,292.37	Goal 2: \$11,292.37		