

# **The Indiana Commission to Combat Drug Abuse**



*Behavioral Health Division*

## **Comprehensive Community Plan**

County: Porter

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## **Vision Statement**

What is your Local Coordinating Council's vision statement?

Proving sustainable initiatives and resources to end substance use disorder in Porter County.

## **Mission Statement**

What is your Local Coordinating Council's mission statement?

Community hub responsible for building capacity, creating sustainability and providing resources to enhance the quality of life in Porter County by reducing substance use and the underlying causes and unintended consequences.

<b>Membership List</b>					
<b>#</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Category</b>
1	Tim Beach	Ogden Dunes PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
2	Brenda Sheetz	Porter County Community Foundation	Caucasian	Female	Business
3	Chris Buyer	Porter County Juvenile Probation	Caucasian	Male	Government
4	April Lauderdale	Porter County Adult Probation	Caucasian	Female	Government
5	Chuck Harris	Porter County Recorder	Caucasian	Male	Government
6	Nicole Slack	Duneland Schools	Caucasian	Female	Education
7	Joe Draus	Resite House II	Caucasian	Male	Recovery
8	Robert Nichols	Portage PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
9	Scott Sedja	Hebron PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
10	Austin Haynes	Burns Harbor PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
11	Eldon Joe Hall	Valparaiso PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
12	Dolores Mueller	Kouts PD	Caucasian	Female	Law Enforcement
13	Joshua Noel	Hebron PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
14	John Norris	Deputy Prosecutor	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
15	Ben McFalls	Sheriff's Office	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
16	Rob Maynard	Portage PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
17	Anne Wojas	ISP	Caucasian	Female	Law Enforcement
18	Anthonty Potesta	ISP	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
19	Chris Pumroy	Adult Probation	Caucasian	Male	Government
20	David Lohse	Chesterton PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
21	Joe Torok	Porter PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
22	Jesse Harper	Center Township Trustee	Caucasian	Male	Government
23	Dan Rocha	Chesterton PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
24	Nathan Graf	Sheriff's Departmt	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
25	Erin Weber	Juvenile Justice	Caucasian	Female	Government
26	Connie Rudd	PC ISHD	Caucasian	Female	Government
27	Jenny Harkle	PC ISHD	Caucasian	Female	Government
28	Allen Wright	Frontline Foundations	Caucasian	Male	Recovery
29	Todd Kobitz	Valparaiso PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
30	Anthony Calebro	Ogden Dunes PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
31	Jason Holaway	Porter PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
32	Leslie Rowan	Valpo High School	Caucasian	Female	Education
33	Gina Pike	North Star Recvy	Caucasian	Female	Parent
34	Todd Willis	Porter Starke Services	Caucasian	Male	Treatment
35	Jim Berman	First Counseling	Caucasion	Male	Treatment

36	<b>Kathy Flores</b>	<b>Alice's House</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
37	<b>Randy Wilkening</b>	<b>Portage FD</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Government</b>
38	<b>Dan Kodicek</b>	<b>Portage Fire Chief</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Government</b>
39	<b>David Cincoski</b>	<b>Chesterton Town Manager</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Government</b>
40	<b>Kevin Nevers</b>	<b>Town of Chesterton</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Government</b>
41	<b>Sarah Turner</b>	<b>Health Linc</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
42	<b>Clint Mullet</b>	<b>Christ Lutheran</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Faith Based</b>
43	<b>Dave Reynolds</b>	<b>Retired DEA</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Parent</b>
44	<b>Tammy O'Neill</b>	<b>PC PACT</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
45	<b>Paul Schreiner</b>	<b>Project Neighbors</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Business</b>
46	<b>Mimi Gardner</b>	<b>Health Linc CBH</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
47	<b>Maggie Clifton</b>	<b>Valpariso City Hall</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
48	<b>Jennifer Hippie</b>	<b>IU School of SW</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Parent</b>
49	<b>Melissa Scannell</b>	<b>Change Therapy</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
50	<b>Kate Vena</b>	<b>Change Therapy</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
51	<b>Joy Sunday</b>	<b>Valparaíso Schools</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
52	<b>Mark Jones</b>	<b>Boys &amp; Girls Club</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Youth Serving</b>
53	<b>Mark Acevedo</b>	<b>PC Prosecutor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Government</b>
54	<b>Kyle Poracky</b>	<b>Burns Harbor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
55	<b>Doris Amling</b>	<b>Porter County Coroner's Office</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
56	<b>Ana Brocksmith</b>	<b>Union Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
57	<b>Ana Spurgeris</b>	<b>Chesterton HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
58	<b>Bill Carnegie</b>	<b>Big Bro Big Sisters</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Youth Serving</b>
59	<b>Jeremy McHargue</b>	<b>Burns Harbor Police Dept</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
60	<b>Mike Rosta</b>	<b>Wheeler HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
61	<b>Mike Stephens</b>	<b>Union Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
62	<b>Deb Shephard</b>	<b>Porter Regional</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
63	<b>Rick McCall</b>	<b>ArcelorMittal</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Business</b>
64	<b>Robert Blumenthal</b>	<b>Duneland Schools</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
65	<b>Donna Golob</b>	<b>PATH</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Youth Serving</b>
66	<b>Marty Vagenas</b>	<b>First Counseling</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Business</b>
67	<b>Lu Allie</b>	<b>Boone Grove</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
68	<b>Cecilia Ballard</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Nazarene</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Faith-Based</b>
69	<b>Jeff Brooks</b>	<b>Hebron MS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
63	<b>Chris George</b>	<b>Morgan Twmsp</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
64	<b>Lita Peters</b>	<b>Respite House I</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Recovery</b>

66	<b>Kristi Chervenak</b>	<b>Recovery Connections</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Parent</b>
69	<b>Glenn Schultz</b>	<b>Northshore Health</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
70	<b>Nick Wardell</b>	<b>Porter Starke Svc</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
71	<b>Jason Szemes</b>	<b>Indiana Excise</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Government</b>
72	<b>Sandy Behrens</b>	<b>Purdue U Health</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
73	<b>Joy Al-Nimri</b>	<b>Al-Nimri Tax Svc</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Business</b>
74	<b>Gretchen Arthur</b>	<b>Washington Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
75	<b>Jeff Balon</b>	<b>Valparaiso PD</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
76	<b>Dave Bartlett</b>	<b>Recovery Works</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
77	<b>Jim Bernard</b>	<b>Care Counseling</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
78	<b>Monique McAlister</b>	<b>NWI Area Health Education-Purdue</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
79	<b>Jeff Biggs</b>	<b>PC Sheriff's Department</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
80	<b>Jack Birmingham</b>	<b>Union Township School Corp</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
81	<b>Claudia Garcia</b>	<b>Parkdale</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
82	<b>Clay Corman</b>	<b>Boone Grove HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
83	<b>Make Dehaven</b>	<b>Valparaiso PD</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
84	<b>Kristin Doty</b>	<b>Kouts MS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
85	<b>Eric Evans</b>	<b>SAFE</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Prevention</b>
86	<b>Amber Hensell</b>	<b>360 Recovery</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
87	<b>Teresa Hohner</b>	<b>PC Health Depart.</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
88	<b>Maureen Hurst</b>	<b>Boone Grove</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
89	<b>David Milligan</b>	<b>Chesterton HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
90	<b>Cara Jones</b>	<b>Health Linc</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
91	<b>Gregory Jones</b>	<b>Union Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
92	<b>Daniel Keilman</b>	<b>Retired</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Civic</b>
93	<b>James Anton</b>	<b>Anton Insurance</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Civic</b>
94	<b>Kerry Sroufek</b>	<b>Anton Insurance</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Civic</b>
95	<b>Chris Kosbade</b>	<b>Family House</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Youth Serving</b>
96	<b>Sue Lipinski</b>	<b>Washington Township MS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
97	<b>Natalie Miller</b>	<b>Valparaiso High School</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
98	<b>Jennifer Olsen</b>	<b>Healthy Kids</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
99	<b>Courtney Robinson</b>	<b>Leadership NWI</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Business</b>
100	<b>James Rosinia</b>	<b>Morgan Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
101	<b>Rich Schmidt</b>	<b>Living Hope Church</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Faith-Based</b>
102	<b>Chris Swickard</b>	<b>Chesterton PD</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
103	<b>Rhonda Walker</b>	<b>Hebron HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>

104	<b>Ty Williams</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Civic</b>
105	<b>Juan Sierra</b>	<b>Retired</b>	<b>Hispanic</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
106	<b>Diana Iltzsche</b>	<b>Christ Luthern</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Faith Based</b>
107	<b>Tracy Allen</b>	<b>Brandon's Cause</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Civic</b>
108	<b>Darren Newton</b>	<b>Portage Recovery</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
109	<b>Martin Glennon</b>	<b>Retired</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Civic</b>
110	<b>Jim Burns</b>	<b>Family Focus</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
111	<b>Megan Fisher</b>	<b>Porter Starke</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
112	<b>Lori Postma</b>	<b>District 1</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
113	<b>Ruth Goss</b>	<b>Recvry Connection</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
114	<b>Jay Birky</b>	<b>PC Sheriff's</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
115	<b>Emily Nelson</b>	<b>Wheeler HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Youth</b>
116	<b>Maria Stamp</b>	<b>PC Health Dept</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
117	<b>Jeni Bolton</b>	<b>McDonald's</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Business</b>
118	<b>Bernice Sterna</b>	<b>Franciscan Healthcare</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
119	<b>Gregory Kovach</b>	<b>WVLP</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Media</b>
120	<b>Dan Grass</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Lutheran</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Faith-Based</b>
121	<b>Kevin Johnson</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Faith-Based</b>
122	<b>Michael Crowley</b>	<b>North Shore</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
123	<b>Pam Cain</b>	<b>Ivy Tech</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Civic</b>
124	<b>Robert Lichtenberger</b>	<b>Boone Grove Middle School</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
125	<b>Natalie Mahlmann</b>	<b>Valparaiso Police Department</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
126	<b>David Muniz</b>	<b>Boone Grove</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
127	<b>Scott Janson</b>	<b>Gateway Foundatn</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
128	<b>Kosondra Montgomery</b>	<b>Indiana State Police</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
129	<b>Nancy Luchene</b>	<b>Portage Recovery</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
130	<b>Maggie Clifton</b>	<b>City of Valpo</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
131	<b>Kiessa Hamilton</b>	<b>Ivy Tech</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Civic</b>
132	<b>Ray Satterblom</b>	<b>Family First</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
133	<b>Nicole Markovich</b>	<b>Kouts County</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
134	<b>Chelsea Winder</b>	<b>Kouts MS/HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
135	<b>Andrea Sherwin</b>	<b>MHA</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
136	<b>Josh Huwig</b>	<b>Chesterton MS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
137	<b>Albert Gay</b>	<b>IPRC</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Prevention</b>
138	<b>Lisa Hargarten</b>	<b>Parent</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Parents</b>
139	<b>Austin Haynes</b>	<b>Burns Harbor PD</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
140	<b>Nicole Slager</b>	<b>Portage HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
141	<b>Jody Kristoff</b>	<b>Boone Grove</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>

142	<b>Linda Rugg</b>	<b>Portage HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
143	<b>Kim Smith</b>	<b>NWI Regional Hospital</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
144	<b>Denise Blumenthal</b>	<b>Chesterton Middle School</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
145	<b>Erin Miller</b>	<b>New Creations</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Business</b>
146	<b>Nate Shaffer</b>	<b>DEA</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
147	<b>Monica Sauders</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church</b>	<b>African American</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Faith-Based</b>
148	<b>Jeff King</b>	<b>Portage HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
149	<b>Karen Bonner</b>	<b>Portage HS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
150	<b>Ann Macker</b>	<b>MHA</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
151	<b>Lauren Lamb</b>	<b>HealthLinc</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
152	<b>Jason Oxendine</b>	<b>Duneland Church</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Faith-Based</b>
153	<b>Bill Dulin</b>	<b>Sheriff Starke Co.</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
154	<b>Christy Jarka</b>	<b>Morgan Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
155	<b>Kevin Tracy</b>	<b>YMCA</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Youth Serving</b>
156	<b>Lynn Slate</b>	<b>PACT</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Government</b>
157	<b>Jamie Rogers</b>	<b>Heartland</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
158	<b>Mann Spitler</b>	<b>BeSafe Coalition</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Parent</b>
159	<b>Jennifer Symer</b>	<b>Morgan Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
160	<b>Jeff Lawley</b>	<b>Ivy Tech</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
161	<b>Tracy Fox</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
162	<b>Karen Kinsey</b>	<b>East Porter Corp</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
163	<b>Gail Sangster</b>	<b>East Porter School</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
164	<b>John Klumpe</b>	<b>Valpo Partners</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Business</b>
165	<b>Paul Heflick</b>	<b>Menonite Church</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Faith-Based</b>
166	<b>Kyle Otten</b>	<b>Porter Starke</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
167	<b>Robert Holtz</b>	<b>Retired</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Civic</b>
168	<b>Megan Woods</b>	<b>Boys/Girls Club</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Youth Serving</b>
169	<b>Sandy Carlson</b>	<b>Porter Starke</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
170	<b>Angela Johnson</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Civic</b>
171	<b>Valerie Kalamara</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Business</b>
172	<b>Stacey Schmidt</b>	<b>Porter Township</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
173	<b>Douglas Johnson</b>	<b>Portage Middle</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
174	<b>Larry Smith</b>	<b>Intrepid Phoenix</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
175	<b>Richard Merschantz</b>	<b>Griffith PARRI</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
176	<b>Allen Hines</b>	<b>Change Therapy</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
177	<b>Amanda Jennings</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Civic</b>
178	<b>Chris Swickard</b>	<b>Chesterton PD</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
179	<b>Josh Nolte</b>	<b>Recovery House</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Recovery</b>
180	<b>Mark Rafalski</b>	<b>Family Focus</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
181	<b>Jim Burns</b>	<b>Family Focus</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment</b>

182	Valarie Thorn	Portage PD	Caucasian	Female	Law Enforcement
183	Doug Adams	Chesterton MS	Caucasian	Male	Education
184	Grace Gidley	Mental Health American	Caucasian	Female	Healthcare
185	Michaela Doyle	Adams Radio	Caucasian	Female	Media
186	Barb Claypool	PACT	Caucasian	Female	Government
187	Amanda Alaniz	Portage Township Schools	Caucasian	Female	Education
188	Eric Wood	Valpo Nazarene	Caucasian	Male	Faith-Based
189	Ronda Gorby	Footprints	Caucasian	Female	Recovery
190	James Markle	NILEA	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
191	Mitch Peters	Attorney	Caucasian	Male	Recovery
192	Kenny Furness	320 Recovery	Caucasian	Male	Recovery
193	Rebecca Reiner	NEO	Caucasian	Female	Education
194	Erik Wade Ginter	Arcelor Mittal	Caucasian	Male	Recovery
195	Chris Gabrano	Heartland	Caucasian	Male	Recovery
196	Ron Donahue	InHealth	Caucasian	Male	Business
197	Kyle McTigue	Porter Ambulance	Caucasian	Male	Business
198	Dee Wagner	Student	Caucasian	Female	Youth
199	Danielle Catlin	Student	Caucasian	Female	Youth
200	James Ferguson	Student	Caucasian	Male	Youth
201	Vilma Cerros	Parent	Caucasian	Female	Parent
202	Joel Vargas	Student	Hispanic	Male	Youth
203	Linda Davis	Care Counseling	Caucasian	Female	Treatment
204	Kristi Morris	PC Coroner Office	Caucasian	Female	Parent
205	Cyndi Dykes	PC Coroner	Caucasian	Male	Government
206	Maria Stamp	PC Health Dept	Caucasian	Female	Healthcare
207	Kyle McTeigue	InHealth Ambulance	Caucasian	Male	Business
208	Carol Fink	Retired	Caucasian	Female	Recovery
209	Dirk Baer	Morgan Township	Caucasian	Male	Education
210	Daniel Valko	Student	Caucasian	Male	Youth
211	Jessica Parks	North Shore	Caucasian	Female	Healthcare
212	Marla Hannon	Washinton Twnsp	Caucasian	Female	Education
213	Arlene Moore	Family House	Hispanic	Female	Education
214	Gary Germann	PC Prosecutor	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
215	Jessica Edmonds	Student	Caucasian	Female	Education
216	Irma Santoyo	Student	Hispanic	Female	Youth
217	John Zack	Portage HS	Caucasian	Male	Education
218	Jackie Fuller	Ivy Tech	African American	Female	Education
219	Kenny Williams	Hobart PD	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
220	Jessica Landrum	Student	Caucasian	Female	Youth
221	Erica Rios	Griffith PD	Hispanic	Female	Law Enforcement
222	Jenna Sickinger	Portage Township	Caucasian	Female	Education



223	Jessica Malher	PC Health Dept	Caucasian	Female	Healthcare
224	Officer Vega	Valparaiso PD	Canine	Male	Law Enforcement
225	Officer Nix	Portage PD	Canine	Male	Law Enforcement
226	Tammy Gregg	WorkOne	Caucasian	Female	Government
227	Roberta Prugh	Wheeler HS	Caucasian	Female	Youth
228	Paulina Huffman	PC Vet Service	Caucasian	Female	Government
229	Bonnie Stephens	Union Twmsp	Caucasian	Female	Education
230	Tara Taylor	Ivy Tech	Caucasian	Female	Education
231	Daniele Charriere	Student	Caucasian	Female	Youth
232	Amanda Nelson	Morgan Twmsp	Caucasian	Female	Youth
233	Rachael Horner	PC Jail	Caucasian	Female	Government
234	Alan Stover	Life Source	Caucasian	Male	Faith-Based
235	Antonio Cammarata	1 <sup>st</sup> United Methodist	Hispanic	Male	Faith-Based
236	Don Spears	Ivy Tech	Caucasian	Male	Education
237	Marek Wojac	United Way	Caucasian	Male	Civic
238	Megan Fisher	Porter Starke	Caucasian	Female	Treatment
239	Randall Forsythe	Nazarene Church	Caucasian	Male	Faith-Based
240	Officer Bane	Hebron Police	Canine	Male	Law Enforcement
241	Paul Schreiner	WVLP	Caucasian	Male	Media
242	Lori Daly	PC Counsel	Caucasian	Female	Government
243	Sarah Bernard	Care Counseling	Caucasian	Female	Treatment
244	Sam Marshall	East Porter Corp	Caucasian	Male	Education
245	Gregory Blair	Portage MS	Caucasian	Male	Education
246	Dan Rau	Boys/Girls Club	Caucasian	Male	Youth Serving
247	John Norris	PC Prosecutor's Office	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
248	Nicole Walters	PRA	Caucasian	Female	Recovery
249	Alexandra Rumple	Boys/Girls Club	Caucasian	Female	Youth Serving Organization
250	Alondra Hernandez	Boys/Girls Club	Hispanic	Female	Youth Serving
251	Lorelei Weimer	PC Convention & Visitors	Caucasian	Female	Government
252	Kevin Robinson	Ricochet	Caucasian	Male	Business
253	Michelle Stewart	Chesterton HS	Caucasian	Female	Education
254	Jeanie Sienkowski	Chesterton HS	Caucasian	Female	Education
256	Donna Swain	Portage Recovery	Caucasian	Female	Recovery
257	Terry Gilliana	Valpo PD	Caucasian	Female	Law Enforcement
258	David Reynolds	PC Sheriff	Caucasian	Male	Law Enforcement
259	Jerry Lasky	Union Township	Caucasian	Male	Education
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261	Stephanie Shostok	Acermers	Caucasian	Female	Treatment
262	Kevin Zeck	Portage HS	Caucasian	Male	Education

### **LCC Meeting Schedule:**

Please provide the months the LCC meets throughout the year:  
January through November

January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month. December is the award and recognition ceremony. The meeting was in person.

### **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**

Porter County, Indiana

##### **County Population**

According to the U.S. Census Bureau 2019, the estimated population in Porter County was **170,389**, which included 50.4% female. The gender distribution is similar to the state. The population size was increased by **3.7%** between 2010 and 2019.

The demographic distributions of Porter County are different from the state. The major population is Caucasian alone, which occupied 91.9% of the entire population. The second-largest population in Porter County in 2019 was Hispanic Latino at 10.4%. The third-largest population in Porter County in 2019 was African American at 4.4% (U.S. Census Bureau, 2019).

##### **Schools:**

Duneland School Corporation, East Porter County School Corporation, MSD/Boone Township, Portage Township School Corp., Porter Township School Corp., Union Township School Corp., and Valparaiso Community School Corp.

##### **Medical care providers in the community (hospitals, health care centers, medical centers/clinics, etc.)**

Porter Regional Hospital, North Shore, Healthlinc, Franciscan Alliance

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

Porter Regional Hospital, Porter-Starke, Inc., North Shore, Healthlinc, Mental Health America, Franciscan Behavioral Health, Regional Mental Health, Heartland Recovery, Recovery Works, Midwest Center for Youth & Families, Hillman Psychological Service, Park Dale, Midwest American Psychological & Counseling Services

##### **Service agencies/organizations:**

Family Youth Service Bureau, Care Counseling, Mental Health America, Recovery Connection, Family Focus, Family Youth Service Bureau, Family House, Portage Recovery Association, Samaritan Counseling Center, Inc, Lark's Nest Family Counseling Center, Place Counseling, Diann Bins Counseling, Sankofa Counseling, New Beginnings Counseling, To Be Light Ministries, Beyond Boundaries, INtreatment, Therapy Works, Focus Counseling, Wells Family Counseling, Duneland Counseling Center, The Joshua Center of Valparaiso, Family Concern Counseling, Innovative Counseling, Fresh Start, Choices! Counseling, Moraine House, Respite House, Alice's House, Women's Recovery Home, Recovery Works, Family House, Frontline Foundations, Healthy Kids, Greater Good, Tobacco Coalition, Be Safe, WVLP, Boys and Girls Club, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, YWCA, PACT, Intrepid Phoenix, Purdue University Northwest, Indiana University Northwest, Ivy Tech Community College, New Creations, Housing Opportunities, Caring Place, Community Foundation, Healthlinc, United Way

**Local media outlets that reach the community:**

Matters of Substance Podcast, Porter Life, WVLP, NWI Times, Chesterton Tribune, Post Tribune, The Chronicle, Lakeshore Pubic TV/Radio, all Chicago media, all Adams Radio stations

**What are the substances that are most problematic in your community?**

Heroin/Opioids, Tobacco/Vaping, Marijuana, Alcohol-underage drinking, Methamphetamine and Cocaine emerging

**List all substance use/misuse services/activities/programs presently taking place in the community**

Sticker Shock, Overdose Lifeline, Above the Influence, Marijuana/Heroin/Opioid/Alcohol Town Halls, Matters of Substance Podcast, #NotAMinorProblem, Mental Health Awareness Training, Youth Mentoring Training, Wake Up Call, Parents Who Host, Real Media, Peer Mentoring, Recovery Support, Teen BEAT, SMART Recovery, Life Skills, Strengthening Families, Around the Table, AA, NA, Circle of Support, Beyond the Influence, WVLP Radio weekly programming, ADD, random drug testing at schools, drug tests available to parents, Deterra pouches available and Narcan available at PCSAC and Health Department, Family Preservation, Father Engagement, Positive Tickets, Coffee with a Cop, TiRosc, Positive Approach to Teen Health

## Community Risk and Protective Factors

*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.*

**Risk Factors Examples:** 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.

**Protective Factors Examples:** 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
<p>Low perception of harm for Marijuana, tobacco CBD, vaping related juices and devices because of marketing to youth, social norming and generational use.</p> <p>Youth and adults are exposed to pro-Marijuana promotion and marketing tactics in an effort to legalize recreational sales. The fact that neighboring states Illinois and Michigan are have legalized Marijuana compounds the problem and increases the likelihood of individual use and normalizing the behavior.</p> <p>Nicotine and vaping have a perceived low perception of harm and high level of parental acceptance.</p>	<p>The Council has created messaging for the consequences of using Marijuana, cannabinoids and nicotine. Multiple campaigns have been developed and are circulated throughout all 7 of the school corporations along with presentations at middle and high school events, website promotion, billboard and radio campaigns. The Matters of Substance podcast also discusses these topics in detail with special guests throughout the year.</p> <p>A 12-sector approach to disseminating information throughout the community, community town hall meetings, funding earmarked for marketing and promotion, youth council participates in peer-to-peer engagement, active and engaged coalition agencies</p>	<p>Overcoming messaging challenges from powerhouse Marijuana and tobacco industry, limited budget for marketing and promotion; challenges also from promoting message to youth through social media</p> <p>Priority is COVID related messaging. Competing for macro-media opportunities</p> <p>Teachers/schools have limited influence on students; Council provides evidence-based robust programming at no cost to schools, however, sporadic use because of state teaching mandates</p> <p>Only one out of seven schools have a dedicated substance use prevention teacher. Other schools have strategies introduced in health class or gym</p>

<sup>1</sup>Risk and protective factors extracted from IUPUI Center for Health Policy Community Conditions Favorable for Substance Use, April 2018.

<p>Youth do not feel a sense of belonging in their community because of the transient nature of society and the absence of stability, long term friendships, family and neighbors.</p>	<p>The Council has a partnership with the school resource officers in middle and high schools to minimize the low attachment risk by rewarding the youth for positive contributions to their school community.</p> <p>Additionally, this strategy builds a student-law enforcement positive relationship. The strategy is supported by the Council and is an evidence-based program called “Positive Ticketing”</p> <p>The Drunk Driving Task Force has created partnerships with local coffee shops and national McDonald’s throughout the county to promote goodwill and build community relationships with the residents</p>	<p>on an infrequent and unpredictable schedule</p> <p>Porter County has a vocal legislative supporter of legalization of Marijuana that has been on (her) agenda for the last decade and continues to reintroduce bills at the state level</p> <p>Limited participation at events</p>
<p>Youth report a low perception of harm with consideration for heroin/opioids, schedule 1-5 drugs/chemicals, Marijuana, and underage drinking</p> <p>Intergenerational substance use increases youth experimentation and drug use</p> <p>Adult and youth with undiagnosed mental health issues go untreated and lead to self-medication and potential drug addiction</p>	<p>Targeted messaging campaigns for students, parents and schools. Prepared social media campaigns with prevention message, peer-to-peer group facilitation, youth council initiatives, youth leadership opportunities</p> <p>Matters of Substance podcast discussions geared toward parents, community and youth. Youth developed podcasts and PSA’s for peer-to-peer discussions</p> <p>Training mentors, support of Mentors as role models</p> <p>Mentor/mentee relationship through the Council’s Youth Mentoring initiative</p> <p>Fully trained and certified staff provide training and resources to community, provide Overdose Lifeline program to all school corporations, Real Media,</p>	<p>Treatment and recovery efforts are resisted because of shame and judgement. Matters of Substance podcast and WVLP radio broadcast success stories, prevention topics, suicide, anti-bullying messages and stigma discussions to provide information to listeners for acceptance and action on a weekly basis. COVID-19 messaging is prevalent, however, substance use is seen as a possible unintended consequence of the pandemic</p> <p>Although training is provided (with CEU’s or certification) on a variety of topics, unless there is a WIFM motivation, then attendance is low</p> <p>Agencies continue to work in “silos” and resist participating in a community forum. Community agencies attack each</p>

	<p>Parents that Host, Take Back Day, INSPECT, MHFA</p> <p>Council provides drug tests to parents to test their child if suspicious or to set a baseline</p> <p>Council funds community agencies to provide direct programming and strategies to youth; mental health training and programs</p> <p>Funding to address youth substance use and provide tactics to reduce the perception of low harm as related to substance use</p> <p>Mental health training (MHFA) Provide programs and initiatives that reduce the supply and availability of drugs such as INSPECT, Take Back Day, and harm reduction such as needle collection program</p>	<p>other during open discussion for not doing enough</p> <p>High levels of community funding results in a flooded service market where agencies are competing for participants to fulfill grant requirements. Duplication of services likely</p>
<p>Data indicates the community norm supports underage drinking for celebratory milestones such as graduation, prom, homecoming and athletic achievements</p> <p>Parents acceptance of underage drinking and feel they have the responsibility to monitor the behaviors. Parental monitoring is perceived as safe parenting.</p> <p>Low perception of harm for long term consequences of underage drinking</p>	<p>The Council has developed a marketing campaign to identify the consequences of underage drinking. The campaign airs on local radio and is a mainstay on WVLP - PSA's as well as Matters of Substance podcast. The marketing materials are available to interested agencies and community organizations for distribution. Programs such Parents Who Host is promoted through the Sticker Shock initiative and distributed to 72,000 people a year through a messaging campaign</p> <p>The Council has developed a billboard to address underage drinking and hosting alcohol party for minors. Drunk Driving Task Force host prevention car simulation classes</p>	<p>Parent education is key to reducing underage drinking. Additional resources to be developed aimed toward the adult as role model.</p> <p>Youth mentoring opportunities are limited. Youth mentoring to include substance use module and mental health training for the adult mentor. However, a pilot project is currently underway</p> <p>Challenge to target social media and broadcast platforms with extensive and no exhaustive programming choices. It is a challenge to pinpoint a medium for the broadest mass appeal and consideration</p>

	<p>before each student milestone event to promote wellness and safety protocols.</p> <p>Coalition members and community agencies are trained to identify mental health issues and provide referrals. Mental Health First Aid, QSP, and SBIRT, suicide prevention training is available to schools, law enforcement, first responders, educators and community members to identify and intervene with mental health and substance abuse issues</p> <p>Staff are encouraged to seek the Certified Prevention Specialist designation. 2 staff have been awarded the designation. All staff are working toward the goal of receiving the designation</p>	
Protective Factors	Resources/Assets	Limitations/Gaps
<p>Highly rated quality of life indicators &amp; economic viability. Median income \$74,064 ; poverty rate is 8.1% and is under the Indiana state average of 11.9%; life expectancy is age 80.8 for females and 76.7 for males; In 2019, 93.1% of people with a high school diploma or higher and 28.2% of people earned a bachelor or higher degree, which is higher than Indiana.</p> <p>Porter County maintained the highest level of personal income in Northwest Indiana for a 14-year period.</p>	<p>The Council is the acting hub of substance related activities and provides expert training, credentialing, continuing education, resources and support to agencies and the community at no cost</p> <p>The Tobacco Education and Prevention Coalition provides strategies to reduce tobacco and vaping behaviors at no cost. The Council is an active member of the coalition. The community supports the no smoking initiative throughout the county to include but not limited to government buildings, healthcare facilities, police agencies and school campuses.</p> <p>Elected county officials are committed to restricting the legalization of Marijuana under</p>	<p>The COVID-19 pandemic will create new challenges and an expected increase in substance use and relapses in recovery.</p> <p>In 2020, unemployment has risen, which was higher than Indiana state [Porter County: 4.2; Indiana [4]] due to the pandemic and unintended consequences will take time to gauge and extended reaction time</p> <p>Although mental health and substance use disorder programs and strategies are available, attendance is generally low</p>

<p>Access to mental health and preventive medicine. Only 7.9% (under age 65 years old ) of the population are uninsured</p> <p>Community involvement and active in promoting health behaviors and supporting substance use reduction initiatives</p> <p>Agencies partner to provide resources to increase mental health initiatives and reduce substance use</p>	<p>this administration. Additionally, nicotine and vaping juices as well as devices are restricted from youth purchase. Identification is required and Excise compliance checks in District 1 are frequent and check for underage sales of alcohol, tobacco/vape products and synthetic cannabinoids</p> <p>School campuses have zero tolerance for substance possession and/use while on school property. Consequences are listed in the policy and procedure manual.</p> <p>School resource officers are stationed at campuses throughout the day and available for consultation and procuring safe environments that promote learning</p>	<p>There are community gathering places throughout the county to recreate but lack of transportation limits uses by those in lower income bracket 7.9 % of the uninsured have limited healthcare choices</p> <p>Teachers and school personnel need to be regularly tested for substance use</p>
<p>Robust community engagement and agencies that support prevention, treatment, recovery and judicial efforts</p> <p>Mental health and substance use disorder are a community priority. Agencies provide a range of options for personal care to accommodate varied household incomes</p> <p>Recovery efforts are supported by the community</p>	<p>Agencies and organizations offer programs and services to detour substance use disorder and reduce impaired driving. Law enforcement agencies and the Drunk Driving Task Force partner with schools and MADD/SADD to promote safe driving. Impaired driving simulation obstacles and school field days are offered during prom/graduation/homecoming</p> <p>Community agencies and churches form partnerships to house the homeless and those with mental and substance abuse issues.</p> <p>Prosecutor's Office work with law enforcement to prosecute and convict impaired drivers to the fullest extent of the law.</p>	<p>Data indicates that stigma and the misconceptions that support it prevent those in recovery from fully integrating into the community.</p> <p>Porter County residents struggling with substance dependence often times still face the negative stigma and shame associated with addiction. This may prevent them from fully integrating back into society.</p> <p>Lack of insurance, funding avenues, and/or available openings at facilities make inpatient substance abuse/detox treatment within Porter County, and other surrounding counties, a challenge at times.</p> <p>Porter County doesn't have a dedicated detox facility and referral are to Lake County, downstate or out of state</p>



	<p>Offender rehabilitation is the goal to keep the public safe</p> <p>Community leadership promotes and supports recovery initiatives. Recovery resources are available for those seeking help. AA, NA, SMART recovery and faith-based alternatives are offered for adults and youth to achieve long term sobriety.</p> <p>Recovery outreach throughout the state are on the upswing. Indiana Recovery Network/Mental Health America Indiana provide monthly meetings and webinars to LCC's. Indiana Addictions Coalition, Indiana Assoc. of Peer Recovery and Next Level Recovery provide structure and support to LCC's and local agencies</p>	<p>A large number of O-P treatment facilities from other states are locating in the county. It is challenging to vet the facilities in an effort to make referrals or not</p> <p>There are limited recovery houses available for female and male residents; however, community agencies work together to house and shelter those in active addiction as well as those in recovery.</p> <p>Recovery options are still limited but Recovery Connection is building capacity to function as the hub of recovery in Valparaiso for adults and teens</p> <p>The homeless shelters were ordered to vacate during the COVID-19 pandemic and are still under orders to limit capacity</p> <p>Certain populations are reluctant to seek help. Aged, LGBTQ+, LatinX populations are reluctant to join the coalition</p>
Appropriate structure such as limits, rules, monitoring, and predictability	<p>A strong mental health and faith-based community is invested in preventive measures, treatment modalities such as medication assisted treatment, recovery and recovery support</p> <p>First Responders are trained to respond to overdose events with Naloxone and refer to treatment for rehabilitation. In some instances the Council assumes 3<sup>rd</sup> party pay responsibility under presumptive eligibility guidelines to expedite healthcare</p>	<p>Wait times to initiate therapeutic intervention for both mental health and substance treatment can be lengthy at times. Some waiting lists for at least 30 days</p> <p>Parents don't seek help for their children because of stigma</p> <p>Parents aren't able to identify substance use in the experimental stage until it becomes an addiction</p>

	The Council acts as the community hub for networking, training, and planning substance use prevention, treatment and recovery strategies with a multitude of agencies	
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## 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)
Porter County residents, youth and adult, are exposed to consistent Marijuana and nicotine marketing due to neighboring Illinois and Michigan that have legalized use. A low perception of harm is also noted for nicotine.	<p>Porter County residents do not see the dangers that are associated with Marijuana and liquid nicotine because of ad campaigns that normalize the behaviors</p> <p>Porter County experiences challenges in its youth and adult populations in relation to both use and abuse of cannabinoids and/or nicotine products in all their various forms.</p> <p>Neighboring Illinois and Michigan openly sell Marijuana in store often times to minors.</p> <p>Adults and minors travel to legalized Marijuana states in less than an hour and return to Indiana with product for use and for sale.</p> <p>Northwest Indiana has Chicago, Illinois media, TV, radio, billboard influences because of the</p>

	close proximity – under an hour of travel time and the there is evidence of cross culture and ideations
Porter County youth have a low perception of harm when discussing the use and abuse of Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, prescription drugs, and other illicit substances.	<p>Porter County youth are at higher risk for developing substance use disorder due to diluted peer and family norms</p> <p>Porter County is lacking in youth peer to peer mentoring and youth participation in preventative substance use education</p> <p>Porter County struggles with use and abuse of illicit drugs such as Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, and a variety of prescription medications with polysubstance use being of key concern. Use of these illegal substances is negatively affecting a variety of legal, health, and social outcomes.</p>
In Porter County, both the youth and adult populations have a low perception of harm when discussing alcohol use/abuse.	<p>Porter County Residents, both young and old, have been impacted by health, legal, financial, socioeconomic and quality of life characteristics by the misuse and abuse of alcohol products</p> <p>Porter County residents, both young and old, have higher then average rates of binge drinking</p> <p>Porter County adults do not properly lock up their alcohol which leads to minors having unlimited, unsupervised access to the alcohol</p>

## 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
Porter County experiences challenges with Marijuana, cannabinoids and vaping products in all their various forms.	<p><b>Marijuana:</b></p> <p><b>Adults</b> Treatment admissions with marijuana use and dependence reports showed that the number episode data of marijuana use in Porter County was increased from 81 to 163 between 2018 to 2019; the marijuana dependence was increased from 32 to 53.</p> <p>In 2020, there were 261 incarcerations due to marijuana use in Porter County, which occupied 21.8% of total incarceration of substance uses .</p> <p>More than a third (37.6 percent) of sexual minority adults 18 and older reported past year marijuana use, compared to 16.2% reported by the overall adult population.</p> <p><b>Youth</b> In 2018, 14.7% of Porter County students from 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade students reported current use of Marijurana.</p> <p>The mean age of first time use marijuana among 6-12<sup>th</sup> Porter County students was 13.3; In 2018, 29.9% of male students in 12<sup>th</sup> grade reported it is very easy to get marijuana and 50.9% of male</p>	<p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile 2019, Page 58 The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile 2018, Page 58</p> <p>IN.Gov. (2020). Indiana drug data.</p> <p>National Institute on Drug Abuse. (n.d.)</p> <p>2018 Indiana Youth Survey (INYS) Porter County Schools 6-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students</p> <p>2018 Indiana Youth Survey (INYS) Porter County Schools 6-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students</p>

	<p>think no risk of try marijuana once or twice.</p> <p>In 2019 - 7 Porter County Schools reported a total of 64 suspensions/expulsions related to vaping either Marijuana or nicotine.</p> <p><b>Tobacco products</b></p> <p><b>Adults</b></p> <p>In 2018, Indiana had a higher a rate of tobacco produce use in the past month than U.S rate [Indiana: 27%; U.S: 22%].</p> <p>Adult Smoking Prevalence in Indiana, by Gender, Race/Ethnicity, and Age Group</p> <p>23.4% male; 19% female; 21.8% Caucasian; 20.7 % African American; 12.9 % Hispanic; 18-24 Yrs. old: 18.4%; 25-34 Yrs. old: 25 %; 35-44 Yrs. old: 24.8%; 45-54 Yrs. old: 27.5%; 55-64 Yrs. old: 22.7%; 65+ Yrs. old: 10.6%;</p> <p>The CDC investigated 805 confirmed cases and 12 deaths due to a respiratory illness associated to vaping nicotine.</p> <p>Since early August 2019, Indiana has 60 cases confirmed vaping-related lung injuries, probable 68 cases, and 6 death March 2021.</p> <p><b>Youth</b></p> <p>151,000 (approximately 1 in 10) Indiana youth now under the age of 18 will die</p>	<p>2019 Data sheets collected by PCSAC from 7 Porter County Middle and or High Schools</p> <p>2018 National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)</p> <p>Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, (2018)</p> <p>CDC (2019)</p> <p>Indiana State Department of Health (2021)</p> <p>SmokeFreestjoe (n.d.) <a href="http://www.smokefreestjoe.org/initiatives/">http://www.smokefreestjoe.org/initiatives/</a></p>
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	<p>prematurely from a smoking-related illness</p> <p>About 24 % of Indiana high school students and 25.5% Indiana college students reported current use of e-cigarattes.</p> <p>The precetage of electronic vapor products use was increased by age/grade level. The percentage of cigaratettes use was decreased from 12.8% to 9.5% for 12<sup>th</sup> grade student in Porter County from 2016-2018; However, the percentage of Electronic Vapor Products use was increased from 18.9% to 26.8% for 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in Porter County from 2016-2018.</p> <p>8.5 % of 12<sup>th</sup> grade Porter County students report using electronic vaping products 40+ times in the last 30 days</p> <p>A total 122 incidents and 110 unique students involved in suspensions/expulsions due to tobacco use in Porter County, Academic Year 2018</p>	<p>2019, The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile (page 3 )</p> <p>2018 Indiana Youth Survey (INYS) Porter County Schools 6-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students</p> <p>2019, The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile (page 43)</p>
Abuse/use of Prescription Drugs, Opioids, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, polysubstance and other illicit drugs negatively affect the quality of life in Porter County.	<p>Porter County had a higher opioid prescription dispensations rates than Indiana [Porter County : 218.6 per 1,000; Indiana: 200.4 per 1,000]</p> <p>The non-fatal inpatient hospitalizations related opioid overdose rates was 23.5 per 100,000 in Porter County which was higher than Indiana [Indiana: 20.8 per 100,000] in 2019</p> <p>In 2019, there were 33 people died involving opioid use, 30</p>	<p>Indiana State Department of Health (2019q2)</p> <p>Indiana State Department of Health (2020)</p> <p>Indiana State Department of Health (2020)</p>

	<p>people died involving pain killers, and 19 people died involving synthetic opioids.</p> <p>The total number of Naloxone events were increased from 121 to 217 between 2019-2020 in Porter County.</p> <p>In 2020, a total of 1132 incarceration due to illegal drug, which included 31 cases involved cocaine, 158 cases involved controlled substances, 73 cases involved meths, 81 cases involved opioid, and 283 cases involved paraphernalia.</p> <p>In 2019, a total of 466 cases of treatment admission in Porter County: 22.5% of Rx Opioid Misuse, 12.2% Rx Opioid Dependence, 39.9% of Heroin Use, 33.7% of Heroin Dependence; 22.5% of Cocaine Use, 5.2% of Cocaine Dependence, 7.3% of Meth Use, 1.7% Meth dependence.</p> <p>In 2019, middle and or high schools throughout the county reported 96 suspensions/expulsions related to illicit drugs.</p> <p>15.7% of babies in Indiana tested positive to opioids as compared to the nationwide average of 10.7%.</p> <p>Porter County Students reported using prescription painkillers not prescribed to them over 1-5 times in the past month : 7<sup>th</sup> grade: 1.5%;</p>	<p>IN.Gov. (2020). Indiana drug data.</p> <p>IN.Gov. (2020). Indiana drug data.</p> <p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2019 (page 75, 91 )</p> <p>2019 Data sheets collected by PCSAC from 7 Porter County Middle and or High Schools.</p> <p>2017 Indiana State Department of Health reported by NWI Times <a href="https://www.nwitimes.com/news/special-section/opioids-in-nwi/babies-are-being-born-addicted-to-opioids-in-indiana-at/article_baa97c4c-d4f8-5f2c-b4d4-5c1fe44534e2.html">https://www.nwitimes.com/news/special-section/opioids-in-nwi/babies-are-being-born-addicted-to-opioids-in-indiana-at/article_baa97c4c-d4f8-5f2c-b4d4-5c1fe44534e2.html</a> 2018 Indiana Youth Survey</p>
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	<p>8<sup>th</sup> grade: 1.2%; 9<sup>th</sup> grade: 2.2%; 10<sup>th</sup> grade: 2.4%; 11<sup>th</sup> grade: 2.3%; 12<sup>th</sup> grade: 2.6%,</p> <p>In 2019, 115 juvenile drug arrests were reported</p> <p>SAMHSA's <i>National Survey on Drug Use and Health</i> estimated 4.5% of Indiana residents ages 12 and older misused pain medication in the past year compared to the national average of 3.9%</p> <p>1.8% of Indiana residents ages 18-25 report use of Methamphetamine in the past year compared to the national average of 1%</p> <p>In 2019, about 7% of women reported using prescription opioid pain relievers during pregnancy.</p> <p>The percentage of Hoosier students reporting a parent serving time in jail ranges from a high of 24.1% among 6th grade youth to 17.6% of 12th grade youth.</p> <p>In 2018, 6.3 million sexual minority adults had a mental and or substance use in the U.S.</p>	<p>2019 Data sheets collected by PCSAC from 7 law enforcement agencies.</p> <p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile 2019, page 62</p> <p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile 2019, page 81</p> <p>CDC, (2020)</p> <p>2019 Indiana KIDS COUNT Data Book. (Indiana Youth Institute, 2019)</p> <p>National Institute on Drug Abuse (2020) 2018 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Adults</p>
Alcohol use/abuse by both youth and adults has led to a decline in the quality of life in Porter County.	<p><b>Adults:</b> In 2020, there were 610 adult alcohol arrests through-out Porter County.</p> <p>Alcohol-impaired driving deaths in Porter County was increased from 11% to 16% 2017-2018.</p> <p>Treatment admissions with alcohol use and dependence</p>	<p>IN.Gov. (2020). Indiana drug data.</p> <p>County Health Ranking (2020).</p> <p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana:</p>



	<p>reports showed that the number episode data of alcohol use in Porter County was increased from 81 to 187 between 2018 to 2019; the alcohol dependence was increased from 50 to 147.</p> <p>Primary alcohol use reported at treatment admission in Porter County was 31.4%, which was higher than Indiana (27%) in 2019.</p> <p>In 2019, there were 17 people died related to alcohol.</p> <p>In Indiana, 56.7% males and 45.8% females report having used alcohol in the past 30 days.</p> <p>In Indiana, 51.6% Caucasian; 48.8% African American. 50.2% Asian, and 49.5% of the Hispanic report having used alcohol in the past 30 days.</p> <p>The percentage of Indiana Audlts having used alcohol in the Past 30 days by age groups:  18-24 Yrs. old: 54.1%;  25-34 Yrs. old: 61.1 %;  35-44 Yrs. old: 59%;  45-54 Yrs. old: 58.2%;  55-64 Yrs. old: 45.9%;  65+ Yrs. old: 33.8%.</p> <p><b>Youth:</b>  Since 2017, child removals due to parental alcohol abuse was increased from 10.4% to 14.3% until 2019.</p> <p>In 2019, there were 61 juvenile alcohol related arrests.</p> <p>27.3% of 12<sup>th</sup> ,  23.3% of 11<sup>th</sup> ,  20.1% of 10<sup>th</sup> ,</p>	<p>A State Epidemiological Profile 2018, 2019, page 18</p> <p>Indiana University Purdue University , Fairbanks Public Health School (2019).</p> <p>Indiana State of Health Department (2020)</p> <p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile 2019, page 9</p> <p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile 2019, page 9</p> <p>The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile 2017, 2018, 2019, page 23, 22, 22</p> <p>2019 Data sheets collect by PCSAC from 7 law enforcement agencies</p> <p>2018 Indiana Youth Survey (INYS) Porter County Schools 7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students</p>
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	<p>16.5% of 9<sup>th</sup>, 13% of 8<sup>th</sup>, and 6.1% of 7<sup>th</sup> grade self-reported past 30 days alcohol use in Porter County.</p> <p>11.1% of 12<sup>th</sup> and 12.2 % of 11<sup>th</sup> grade self-reported past 30 days binge drinking in Porter County.</p> <p>36.6% of 12<sup>th</sup> grade students and 39.1% of 11<sup>th</sup> grade students reported it would be easy to get alcohol.</p> <p>Nationally, 7 out of 10 people who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ population, or 70.2%, struggle with the use of alcohol.</p>	<p>2018 Indiana Youth Survey (INYS) Porter County Schools 7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students</p> <p>2018 Indiana Youth Survey (INYS) Porter County Schools 7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students</p> <p>2018 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Adults</p>
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### 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)?
Porter County experiences challenges with Marijuana, cannabinoids and vaping products in all their various forms.	<p>Encourage elected officials to oppose the legalization of Marijuana.</p> <p>Encourage elected officials to include product packaging design guidelines when creating legislation to reduce the appeal to youth.</p> <p>Provide support and resources to community sectors to reduce use/abuse.</p> <p>Support classroom evidence-based health curriculum that addresses Marijuana and related issues.</p> <p>Continue to encourage local schools to participate in the Indiana Youth Survey to collect data.</p> <p>Create &amp; distribute prevention media campaign</p>

	<p>Provide youth mentoring opportunities to assist at-risk youth</p> <p>Create a collaboration with Sheriff's Department, recovery houses, community colleges to provide support to those incarcerated to assist completion of high school course work and further education to reduce recidivism.</p> <p>Support a dedicated Certified Prevention Specialist at each school. Assist with training and certification requirements.</p> <p>Develop content for Matters of Substance podcast and WVLP broadcast to educate the public on the topics of Marijuana, cannabinoids, vaping and nicotine products.</p>
Abuse/use of Prescription Drugs, Opioids, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, polysubstance and other illicit drugs negatively affect the quality of life in Porter County.	<p>Provide support and resources to community sectors to reduce use/abuse.</p> <p>Support classroom evidence-based health curriculum that addresses illicit substances and related issues.</p> <p>Prevention media campaign</p> <p>Support youth driven activities at community level to provide prevention education and reduce the use of prescription drugs, Opioids, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, polysubstance and illicit drugs.</p> <p>Support a dedicated Certified Prevention Specialist at each school. Assist with training and certification requirements.</p> <p>Provide youth mentoring opportunities to assist with at-risk youth.</p> <p>Develop content for Matters of Substance podcast and WVLP broadcast to educate the public on related topics.</p> <p>Supplant Youth Council's at middle/high schools to promote healthy choices, increase protective factors, and reduce risk factors.</p> <p>Create a collaboration with Sheriff's Dept., recovery houses, community colleges to provide support to those incarcerated to assist completion</p>

	<p>of high school course work and further education to reduce recidivism.</p> <p>Support harm reduction efforts to safely collect and dispose of unused and unwanted prescription drugs and needles/syringes at drop off locations throughout the county.</p> <p>Encourage schools to participate in the Indiana Youth Survey.</p> <p>Develop content for Matters of Substance podcast and WVLP broadcast to educate the public on the topics of prevention/treatment/recovery of illicit drugs.</p>
Alcohol use/abuse by both youth and adults has led to a decline in the quality of life in Porter County.	<p>Educate adults about the harm alcohol can cause to youth development.</p> <p>Support classroom evidence-based health curriculum that addresses alcohol and related issues.</p> <p>Supplant Youth Council's at middle/high schools to promote healthy choices, increase protective factors, and reduce risk factors.</p> <p>Support a dedicated Certified Prevention Specialist at each school. Assist with training and certification requirements.</p> <p>Continue to encourage local schools to participate in the Indiana Youth Survey.</p> <p>Prevention strategies for underage drinking as classroom curriculum.</p> <p>Create a collaboration with Sheriff's Department, recovery houses, community colleges to provide support to those incarcerated to assist completion of high school course work and further education to reduce recidivism.</p> <p>Develop content for Matters of Substance podcast and WVLP broadcast to educate the public on the topics of prevention/treatment/recovery of alcohol use/misuse.</p>

#### 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.*

<b>Problem Statement #1 Marijuana</b>
<b>Goal 1</b> Increase awareness and educate the community concerning the risk of use/abuse of Marijuana, cannabinoids and nicotine substances and related products by 7% per year.
<b>Goal 2</b> Decrease the use of Marijuana, cannabinoids and nicotine by adults and juveniles by 6% over the next 3 years with special emphasis on target populations: elementary aged, prenatal/pregnant, 65+, geographical, college, LGBTQ+, et al.
<b>Problem Statement #2 – Illicit Drugs</b>
<b>Goal 1</b> Reduce the number of deaths from prescriptions drugs, Opioids, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, polysubstance and other illicit drugs by 5% over the next 3 years through partnerships with law enforcement, justice, treatment and education.
<b>Goal 2</b> Increase community awareness of the problems and solutions associated with prescription drugs, Opioids, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, polysubstance and other illicit drugs by 15% over the next 3 years with special emphasis on target populations: elementary aged, prenatal/pregnant, 65+, geographical, college, LGBTQ+, et al.
<b>Problem Statement #3 – Alcohol</b>
<b>Goal 1</b> To reduce the use of alcohol by 5% over the next 3 years by increasing media campaigns and introducing evidence-based curriculum to underserved populations.
<b>Goal 2</b> Increase awareness and educate residents by 10% on the harmful effects and consequences of misuse of alcohol by youth and adults with special emphasis on target populations: elementary aged, prenatal/pregnant, 65+, geographical, college, LGBTQ+, et al.

## Step 5: Plans to Achieve Goals

*For each goal, list the steps required to achieve each*

Problem Statement #1 Marijuana	Steps
<p>Goal 1</p> <p>Increase awareness and educate the community concerning the risk of use/abuse of Marijuana, cannabinoids and nicotine substances and related products by 7% per year.</p>	<p>Encourage elected officials to oppose legalization of marijuana in the state of Indiana.</p> <p>Support educational efforts about the mental health risks, pre-natal consequences, and brain science as a gateway drug.</p> <p>Establish focus groups and peer panels in the local area schools to collect data and monitor trends</p> <p>Encourage schools to participate in the Indiana Youth Survey for the purpose of collecting data on marijuana, cannabinoids and nicotine use</p> <p>Support youth mentoring initiatives with an emphasis on at-risk youth in elementary through high school to increase protective factors and decrease risk factors for substance use/abuse.</p> <p>Develop and execute town hall events to support evidence of the risks of Marijuana for elementary aged youth, pre-natal and pregnant populations.</p> <p>Support substance use education and trending topics related to marijuana and nicotine through partnerships with the Matters of Substance podcast and mass communication efforts to increase environmental reach.</p>
<p>Goal 2</p> <p>Decrease the use of Marijuana, cannabinoids and nicotine by adults and juveniles by 6% over the next 3 years with special emphasis on target populations: elementary aged, prenatal/pregnant, 65+, geographical, college, LGBTQ+, et al.</p>	<p>Increase law enforcement capacity and provide technological tools to assist in identifying impaired drivers and assess environs</p> <p>Support and encourage therapeutic and/or alternative treatment</p>

	<p>programming, with an emphasis on evidence-based programming for targeted populations</p> <p>Encourage and support programs that serve individuals in recovery as a means to increase protective factors against substance use.</p>
<b>Problem Statement #2 Illicit Drugs</b>	<b>Steps</b>
<p><b>Goal 1</b> Reduce the number of deaths from prescriptions drugs, Opioids, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, polysubstance and other illicit drugs by 5% over the next 3 years through partnerships with law enforcement, justice, treatment and education coalition member agencies and broaden the community network.</p>	<p>Promote the use of the INSPECT prescription data base system by doctors and law enforcement as a means to reduce overprescribing of medications.</p> <p>Build capacity by partnering with member agencies.</p> <p>Support educational opportunities for incarcerated population leading to high school equivalency degree and/or post graduate education at college or trade school.</p> <p>Partner with treatment agencies to provide innovative and useful programming to address the psychological, emotional impact of incarceration – family engagement, art and music therapy; as well as skill building to increase employment opportunities upon release</p> <p>Support law enforcement and justice to for arrest, conviction, rehabilitation of offender. Including but not limited to additional patrols, social worker placement, PARRI program, recovery support.</p> <p>Support and encourage therapeutic and/or alternative treatment evidence-based programming to address prescription, Opioid, Meth, Heroin, and other illicit drug use/abuse with an</p>

	<p>emphasis on target populations such as incarcerated individuals.</p> <p>Encourage and support formation of recovery groups and alternative peer groups to aid those individuals struggling with substance use disorder.</p> <p>Support stigma-based reduction programs and campaigns.</p> <p>Increase evidence-based initiatives in targeted populations-rural communities, gender specific, pre-natal and pregnant, geographically specific, and age specific populations such as adults 65 and over. South Haven, Kouts, and Hebron</p>
<p>Goal 2</p> <p>Increase community awareness of the problems and solutions associated with prescription drugs, Opioids, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, polysubstance and other illicit drugs by 15% over the next 3 years with special emphasis on target populations: elementary aged, prenatal/pregnant, 65+, geographical, college, LGBTQ+, et al.</p>	<p>Increase the awareness and collection of unused and unwanted prescription drugs and needles/syringes at drop off locations throughout the county</p> <p>Create multi-agency collaboration to develop innovative media campaign to increase awareness and incite action.</p> <p>Support substance use education and trending topics related to Opioid based prescriptions that address the dangers of illicit and prescription medications through partnerships with the Matters of Substance Podcast and mass communication efforts to increase environmental outreach strategies</p> <p>Encourage schools to participate in the Indiana Youth Survey for the purpose of collecting data on prescription abuse, Opioid, Meth, Heroin, and other illicit drug use</p> <p>Support youth mentoring initiatives with an emphasis on at-risk youth in elementary through high school to</p>



	<p>increase protective factor and decrease risk factors for substance use.</p> <p>Support school youth council to promote leadership, peer training, and a school-based initiative encouraging behavioral wellness, healthy choices, increasing protective factors, and reducing risk factors for substance use.</p>
<b>Problem Statement #3 – Alcohol</b>	<b>Steps</b>
<p><b>Goal 1</b></p> <p>To reduce the use of alcohol by 5% over the next 3 years by increasing media campaigns and introducing evidence-based curriculum and strategies to underserved populations.</p>	<p>Support and encourage therapeutic programming that focuses on use and/or abuse of alcohol with an emphasis on target populations</p> <p>Increase law enforcement capacity and provide technological tools to assist in identifying impaired drivers and assess environs</p> <p>Encourage and support alternative treatment programming for alcohol related offenders through problem solving courts and other diversionary programming.</p> <p>Support stigma-based reduction programs and campaigns.</p> <p>Encourage and support formation/expansion of recovery groups and alternative peer groups to aid those individuals struggling with substance use disorder.</p> <p>Encourage and support programs that serve individuals in recovery as a means to increase protective factors against substance use disorder.</p> <p>Support educational opportunities for incarcerated population leading to high school equivalency degree and/or post</p>

	<p>graduate education at college or trade school.</p> <p>Increase evidence-based initiatives in targeted populations-rural communities, gender specific, pre-natal/pregnant, geographically specific, college aged and age specific populations.</p>
<p>Goal 2</p> <p>Increase awareness and educate residents by 10% on the harmful effects and consequences of misuse of alcohol by youth and adults with special emphasis on target populations: elementary aged, prenatal/pregnant, 65+, geographical, college, LGBTQ+, et al.</p>	<p>Promote alcohol awareness and/or educational programs/strategies</p> <p>Support youth mentoring initiatives with an emphasis on at-risk youth in elementary through high school to increase protective factors and decrease risk factors for substance use and family preservation.</p> <p>Support programs that educate parents of their importance in modeling responsible consumption of alcohol in the presence of their children.</p> <p>Encourage schools to participate in the Indiana Youth Survey for the purpose of collecting data on alcohol use</p> <p>Support education and all efforts related to substance use through partnership with the Matters of Substance podcast and WVLP radio. Increase mass communication efforts to provide environmental outreach strategies.</p> <p>Support a Youth Council to promote leadership, peer training, and a school-based initiative encouraging mental and behavioral wellness, healthy choices, increasing protective factors, and reducing risk factors for substance use/abuse.</p>

## 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): \$179,828.84		
Amount of unused funds that rolled over from the previous year (\$100.00): \$63,470.62		
Total funds available for programs and administrative costs for the upcoming year (\$100.00): \$180,000.00		
Amount of funds granted the year prior (\$100.00):		
How much money is received from the following entities (if no money is received, please enter \$0.00):		
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):		\$550,000.00
Bureau of Justice Administration (BJA):		\$ 0.00
Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP):		\$ 0.00
Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH):		\$ 0.00
Indiana Department of Education (DOE):		\$ 0.00
Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA):		\$ 0.00
Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA):		\$ 0.00
Local entities: Anderson Grant		\$ 10,000.00
Other:		
<b>Funding allotted to prevention/education; intervention/treatment; and criminal justice services and activities (\$100.00):</b>		
Prevention/Education: \$45,000.00	Intervention/Treatment: \$45,000.00	Justice: \$45,000.00
<b>Funding allotted to Administrative costs:</b>		
<i>Itemized list of what is being funded</i>		<i>Amount (\$100.00)</i>
Coordinator comp, office supplies, see attached list for all items		\$45,000.00
<b>Funding allotted by Goal per Problem Statement:</b>		
Problem Statement #1	Problem Statement #2	Problem Statement #2
Goal 1: \$22,500	Goal 1: \$22,500	Goal 1: \$22,500
Goal 2: \$22,500	Goal 2: \$22,500	Goal 2: \$22,500