

# Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

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## Comprehensive Community Plan

**County: Noble**

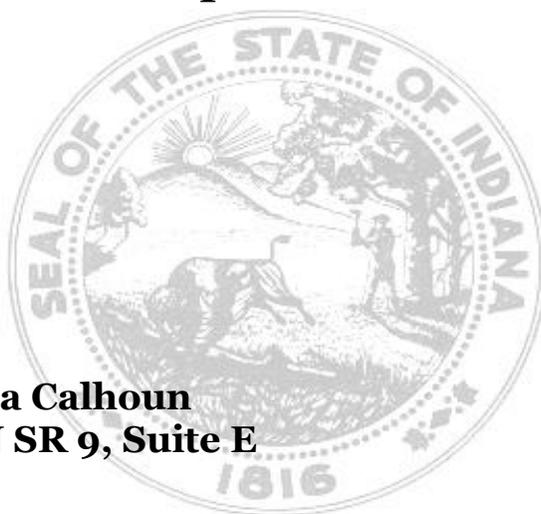
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## Plan Summary

**Mission Statement:** To reduce the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, primarily among youth, through prevention/education, treatment, justice/law enforcement, and collaboration between agencies/organizations in Noble County.

**History:** Drug-Free Noble County was established on December 20, 1989 as the coordinating council in Noble County for the Governor's Commission for a Drug-Free Indiana. There have been regular monthly meetings since that date. Each year, a comprehensive plan or a plan update has been developed that lists the primary problems in Noble County in the area of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs, statistics to illustrate the problem, strategies to address those problems, and outcomes that should be achieved.

Drug Free Noble County serves the county of Noble in the state of Indiana covering cities/towns including the City of Kendallville, Town of Avilla, Town of Rome City, part of the Town of Wolcottville, Town of Albion, City of Ligonier and Town of Cromwell. According to 2009 estimates the county population is approximately 48,028 people with a fast growing Hispanic population (400%+ increase over a 10 year period). The county has a huge industrial base with 37 percent of its adults working in local manufacturing.

Drug-Free Noble County generally does not act as a direct program service provider. Its work was in identifying a problem, bringing together the community, and persuading others to take the steps to address the problem. Drug-Free Noble County helped to start Noble County PRIDE, Noble County Teen Court, the Noble County Victim Impact Panel, transitional living facilities for those in recovery, and other programs and projects.

In September, 1998 Drug-Free Noble County first received funding from the Drug-Free Communities Support Program. An executive director was hired. Until that point all the work of Drug-Free Noble County had been done through volunteer effort. That grant was in the name of the Noble County Community Foundation as fiscal agent. Since then, Drug-Free Noble County has been incorporated and recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) corporation. The coalition received a 5 year renewal of the Drug Free Community Support Program grant in 2003 to continue its efforts through 2008. The Drug Free Community Support Program grant expired terminating continuing financial support. Currently, Drug Free Noble County is no longer eligible for additional funding through the Drug Free Community Support Program.

Over the years, Drug Free Noble County has been the recipient of numerous national, state and regional awards. Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America named Drug-Free Noble County Coalition of the Year in 1999. Also in 1999, Noble County PRIDE was named International PRIDE Team of the Year and had its mentoring program named Best Innovative Program. In 2000 and 2001, Noble County PRIDE won the Community Service Team Challenges at the International PRIDE Conference. The Governor's Commission Drug-Free Indiana Northeast Regional Advisory Board gave the first two awards for Volunteer of the Year to members of Drug-Free Noble County. Drug Free Noble County continues to build upon those achievements.

The STATS Indiana indicated the following for Noble County :

	<u>Noble</u>	<u>Rank in State</u>
Population (2011)	47,553	30
Persons under 18 years, percent	26.6%	29
College Age (18-24)	8.2%	29
Persons 65 years and over, percent	12.9%	35
Persons of Hispanic or Latino Origin, percent	9.8%	14
White persons not Hispanic, percent	90.2%	30
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+	82.2%	75
Bachelor’s degree or higher, pct of persons age 25+	12.7%	71
Households, 2011	17,723	
Married with children	25.4%	27
Single Parent	8.8%	29
Median household income, 2006-2010	\$46,690	35
Poverty Rate among children under 18	18.7%	56
Food Stamp Recipients (2010)	4,850	36
Free/Reduced Lunch 2011	4,120	25
Unemployment rate Dec 2012	9.5%	22
Births to Teens 2009	11.7%	30
Land area in square miles, 2011	410.80	
Population per square mile	115.76	

**Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:**

The Noble County plan is an analysis of data gathered from law enforcement, treatment providers, community organizations, school surveys and our annual community needs assessment. Our needs assessment includes 20 questions regarding overall perception of drug usage in the county, treatment/intervention issues and law enforcement/justice issues, a 10 question section on specific drugs in our county, and 5 questions measuring knowledge and understanding of Indiana laws regarding ATOD’s. The survey is a random sampling of the Noble County population with response ages ranging from 10 -60+. The survey is primarily in electronic format and made available through a variety of sources.

The Noble County LCC Comprehensive Plan focuses include prevention, intervention/treatment and law enforcement/justice. Our strategy will direct resources to initiatives, programs and organizations that will assist in meeting our mission to reduce the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs with a particular focus on environmental/community change strategies:



- Strengthening Coalitions
- Providing Information
- Enhancing Skills
- Enhancing Access/Reducing Barriers
- Providing Support
- Changing Consequences
- Physical Design
- Modifying/Changing Policies

Drug Free Noble County annually collects data and determines the progress or regress in the areas targeted as well as identify any new threats or promising practices. That data is then used to evaluate what we are doing and if our current action plan is on target or needs adjusted. The Executive Committee, Working Committees (Prevention, Treatment, Justice, Faith, Workplace) and the Executive Director regularly review the comprehensive plan objectives to guide coalition and committee work plan activities.

Based on the review of the data and the assessments, our problem statements became:

- 1.) The incidence of underage drinking (alcohol) and understanding of underage drinking laws continues to be a problem and concern in Noble County
- 2.) The use and abuse of alcohol by adults and awareness of effective treatment options continues to be a problem in Noble County.
- 3.) The use, manufacture and street distribution of methamphetamine continues to be a problem in Noble County
- 4.) The use and street distribution of marijuana continues to be a problem in Noble County.
- 5.) The use and street distribution of prescription medications, synthetic cannabis, over the counter, and other mind alerting substances continues to be a problem in Noble County.

Many of the objectives focus on the environmental prevention strategies and other efforts deemed to be successful.

The Coalition, including the Partnerships, continues to be a uniting force for ATOD issues within the entire county. The Coalition has a strong membership base with active participants. The Executive Committee, work-committees and full council meet on a regular basis.

We monitor our projects and grant recipients who offer programs, events, and activities to fulfill our objectives to work toward our goals. We keep apprised of progress through oral reports once a year from grant recipients, through quarterly written reports from grant recipients, and through surveys/needs assessments in the community. Grant recipients must, as part of the agreement of receiving funding, attend 5 regular LCC meetings or Partnership meetings per calendar year and participate in 2 community events. Grant recipients find it advantageous to attend meetings for networking, advice, and developing new ideas for projects to address needs.

## Membership List

**County LCC Name: Drug-Free Noble County, Inc.**

#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Albion Lions Club	Albion Lions Club			Other
2	Alligood, Les	Parent / Senior	Caucasian	M	Parent
3	Alligood, Marilyn	Parent / Senior	Caucasian	F	Parent
4	Arnold, John	East Noble Schools	Caucasian	M	Education
5	Barker, Dan	Chaplain Noble County Sheriff Dept	Caucasian	M	Religion
6	Beam, Stacey	Noble County Probation	Caucasian	F	Law Enforcement
7	Behm, Dennis	House of Spirits	Caucasian	M	Business
8	Behm, Kelly	Central Noble Schools	Caucasian	F	Education
9	Blackman, Eric	Noble County Prosecutor Elect	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
10	Blanton, Sarah	CANI	Caucasian	F	Other
11	Boggess, Dick	Bowen Center	Caucasian	M	Treatment
12	Braley, Bob	Kendallville Publishing Co.	Caucasian	M	Media
13	Brundige, Lacie	Community Member	Caucasian	F	Other
14	Bushong, Jackie	Noble County Red Cross	Caucasian	F	Civic Organization
15	Buttgen, Bob	Kendallville Publishing Co.	Caucasian	M	Media
16	Byrd, Cathy	Parkview Noble Hospital	Caucasian	F	Medicine / Healthcare
17	Calhoun, Rebecca	Drug-Free Noble County / Kid City	Caucasian	F	Other
18	Campbell, Linda	Club Recovery	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
19	Carpenter, Melissa	Freedom Academy	Caucasian	F	Education
20	Carrico, Sonja	CJI	Caucasian	F	Government
21	Carroll, S. Mike	IN State Police	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement

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22	Chupp, Ron	Bowen Center	Caucasian	M	Treatment
23	Clothier, Rev. Tom	First Christian Church	Caucasian	M	Religion
24	Clouse, Steven T.	Noble County Prosecutor	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
25	Cole, Scott	Albion Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
26	Collins, Kim	Parent	Caucasian	F	Parent
27	Conrad, Ken & Donna	Retired	Caucasian	M / F	Parent
28	Couchman, Dee	Family Counseling Center	Caucasian	F	Treatment
29	Cox, Gary	Ligonier Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
30	Culler, Corey	IN State Police	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
31	Daughtry, Chris	Central Noble Schools	Caucasian	M	Education
32	Dixon, John	Kendallville Police Dept / EN Sch SRO	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
33	Dolezal, Dave	Noble County Commissioner	Caucasian	M	Government
35	Draper, Jenny	Kendallville Public Library	Caucasian	F	Other
36	Ebbing, Thomas	Minister	Native American	M	Religion
37	Fisel, Mayor Patty	City of Ligonier	Caucasian	F	Government
38	Folland, Pam	Central Noble Schools	Caucasian	F	Education
39	Frey (Rimmel), Jolene	New Dawn	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
40	Frick, Dan	Frick Services, Inc	Caucasian	M	Business
41	Gaff, Dr. Terry	Parkview Noble Hospital	Caucasian	M	Medicine / Healthcare
42	Gage, S	Early Childhood Alliance	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
43	Galaviz, Ron	IN State Police	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
44	Gibson, Anna	IN Managed Care News	Caucasian	F	Business
45	Griffiths, Terresa	Alanon	Caucasian	F	Self-Help

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46	Hagen, Kathy	West Noble Middle School	Caucasian	F	Education
47	Hall, Melissa	Parent	Caucasian	F	Parent
48	Hammond, Samantha	Noble County Probation	Caucasian	F	Law Enforcement
49	Handshoe, Mayor Suzanne	City of Kendallville	Caucasian	F	Government
50	Harp, Doug	Noble County Sheriff	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
51	Harper, Jeff	Central Noble Schools	Caucasian	M	Education
52	Harris, Sgt Brad	Army	Caucasian	M	
53	Hatfield, Michael	Cromwell Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
54	Hein, Greg	Parkview Noble Hospital	Caucasian	M	Medicine / Healthcare
55	Heltzel, Steve	Rome City Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
56	Herendeen, Steve	Vineyard Christian Fellowship Church	Caucasian	M	Religion
57	Housholder, Grace	Kendallville Publishing Co.	Caucasian	F	Media
58	Housholder, Terry	Kendallville Publishing Co.	Caucasian	M	Media
59	Howell, Steve	Northeastern Center	Caucasian	M	Treatment
60	Humble, Barry	Parent	Caucasian	M	Parent
61	Jansen, Chris	Lawyer	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
62	Johnson, Greg	Tobacco-Free Northeast Indiana	Caucasian	M	
63	Johnson, Kristen	LEAP of NC	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
64	Justus, Belinda	STAR/PRIDE-EN	Caucasian	F	Education
65	Kaiser, Jim	Youth For Christ	Caucasian	M	Religion
66	Kamara, Susan	Northeastern Center	Caucasian	F	Treatment
67	Kane, Jim	First Church of God	Caucasian	M	Religion
68	Keenan, Doug	Noble County Ext. Office / Pastor	Caucasian	M	Other-Youth Serving Org.

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69	Kelley, Kim	Serenity House	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
70	Kerlin, Linda	Stone's Hill Comm Church	Caucasian	F	Religion
71	Kidd, Charles	Business	Caucasian	M	Business
72	King, Cheri	WRECK	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
73	Kirsch, Hon. Robert	Noble Superior Court Judge	Caucasian	M	Judiciary
74	Kramer, Hon. Michael	Noble County Courts	Caucasian	M	Judiciary
75	Larrison, Abigail	Adult Volunteer	Caucasian	F	Other
76	Laur, Hon. David	Noble County Courts	Caucasian	M	Judiciary
77	Leamon, Lynnette	Kendallville Chamber Of Commerce	Caucasian	F	Civic Organization
78	LeCount, Joy	Albion New Era / NC Commissioner	Caucasian	F	Media
79	LeGray, Laura	Trinity Church United Meth.	Caucasian	F	Religion
80	Lee, Deb	Stone's Hill Comm Church	Caucasian	F	Religion
81	Lemish, Steve	WAWK	Caucasian	M	Media
82	Lemmon, Denise	LEAP of Noble County	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
83	Leonhardt, Nancy	State Farm Insurance	Caucasian	F	Business
84	Linsenmayer, Cathy	Parent	Caucasian	F	Parent
85	Linson, Ann	East Noble Schools	Caucasian	F	Education
86	Liskey, Shelly	Parkview Occ Health	Caucasian	F	Medicine / Healthcare
87	Lopshire, William	Alcoholics Anonymous	Caucasian	M	Self-Help
88	Mann, Ellen	TriFecta!	Caucasian	F	Business
89	Marsh, Cindi	Children First Ctr	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
90	McCoy, Martin	IMAGE / Auburn Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
91	Modlin, Dawn	United Way of Noble County	Caucasian	F	Civic Organization

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92	Muller, Barb	Restoration Ministeries	Caucasian	F	Religion
93	Muller, Bob	Restoration Ministeries	Caucasian	M	Religion
94	Munson, Cheryl	Noble County Health Dept	Caucasian	F	Medicine / Healthcare
95	Munson, Lindy	East Noble Schools	Caucasian	F	Education
96	Newcomer, Amy	Bollhoff, Inc.	Caucasian	F	Business
97	Newman, Rick	4-Co. Transitional Living	Caucasian	M	Self-Help
98	Newton, Mick	Noble County Emergency Mgmt	Caucasian	M	Self-Help
99	Nine, Amanda	West Noble Schools	Caucasian	F	Education
100	Palmer, Teresa	Cole Family YMCA	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
101	Pattison, Anita	Life & Family Services	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
102	Pena, Christina	West Noble Schools	Hispanic	F	Education
103	Pena, Samantha	DFNC	Hispanic	F	Youth
104	Pfaffenberger, Debi	Noble House /Pilot House	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
105	Phillips, Shannon	Noble House /Pilot House	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
106	Pipenger, Marla	Alcoholics Anonymous	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
107	Quade, Rose	Noble House /Pilot House	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
108	Ream, Craig	East Noble Schools	Caucasian	M	Education
109	Schermerhorn, Rachel	WN Teens On Boards	Caucasian	F	Youth
110	Schwab, Shelley	Big Brothers Big Sisters	Caucasian	F	Civic Organization
111	Shearer, Bryan	Ligonier City Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
112	Shepherd, Anita	Freedom Academy	Caucasian	F	Education
113	Sherbondy, Rebecca	East Noble School Parent	Caucasian	F	Parent
114	Sherck, Rick	Noble County EDC	Caucasian	M	Business

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115	Sickafoose, Kelly	Drug Free Adams County	Caucasian	F	Other
116	Slone, Lena	Staffmark	Caucasian	F	Business
117	Smith, Sharon	Dekko Foundation	Caucasian	F	Civic Organization
118	Smith, Steve	Serenity House	Caucasian	M	Self-Help
119	Smith, Susie	Alcoholics Anonymous	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
120	Sonner, Shelly	Women In Transition	Caucasian	F	Self-Help
121	Stauss, Melanie	Bowen Center	Caucasian	F	Treatment
122	Stinson, David	East Noble Schools	Caucasian	M	Education
123	Stinson, Matt	East Noble Schools	Caucasian	M	Education
124	Stork, Janet	Northeastern Center	Caucasian	F	Treatment
125	Strock, Judy	Retired YWCA	Caucasian	F	Other
126	Stump, Mark	IMAGE / Auburn Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
127	Thiele, Michele	Central Noble Schools	Caucasian	F	Education
128	Tipple, Anne	Dow Corning	Caucasian	F	Business
129	Toles, Mike	Noble County Council	Caucasian	M	Government
130	Turner (Mertz), Jennifer	CornerstoneVision Counseling	Caucasian	F	Treatment
131	Vargas, Pastor Josh		Hispanic	M	Religion
132	VanDuyne, Dr. Dennis	West Noble Schools	Caucasian	M	Education
133	Vredenburg, Dan	IN St Excise Police District 2	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
134	Wagner, Danyel	Noble County Probation	Caucasian	F	Law Enforcement
135	Warren, Justine	Bowen Center	Caucasian	F	Treatment
136	Weber, Max	IN State Police	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
137	Weidman, Christopher	Parent	Caucasian	M	Faith

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138	Weimer, Cassandra	Cole Family YMCA	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
139	White, Margarita	Celebrate Diversity Project / NCCF	Hispanic	F	Civic Organization
140	Whitehead, Kelly	East Noble Schools	Caucasian	F	Education
141	Wiley, Rob	Kendallville Police Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
142	Willett, Chad	Noble County Sheriff Dept	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
143	Wills, Glenn	Avilla Town Marshall	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
144	Winebrenner, Jayme	Bowen Center	Caucasian	F	Treatment
144	Wolfe, Donna	Cole Family YMCA	Caucasian	F	Other-Youth Serving Org.
145	Wolheter, Jeff	Bridgeway Evangelical Church	Caucasian	M	Religion
146	Worman, Dave	CNHS SRO / NCSD	Caucasian	M	Law Enforcement
147	Yerick, Linda	Noble Co Community Foundation	Caucasian	F	Civic Organization
148	Zuehsow, Suzanne	Parent	Caucasian	F	Parent

## Problem Identification

### A. Problem Statement #1:

The incidence of underage drinking (alcohol) and understanding of underage drinking laws continues to be a problem and concern in Noble County

### B. Supportive Data:

#### 1. Noble County Court Charges

Charge	2012
Public Intoxication	39
Minor Consuming	55

#### 2. IPRC Noble County Data- Past Month Usage

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

Substance	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
Alcohol	8.1	14.7	28.1	20.8	26.3	33.8	27.9	22.2
Binge Drinking	12.8	9.3	18.8	13.9	18.8	24.6	16.3	16.1

#### 3. Personal Perception of Harm - IPRC Survey – Noble County

Students reporting substance is Moderate-Great risk

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Binge Drink Weekly	73.2	73.3	72.9	65.3	68.8	70.7	74.5	70.9

#### 4. Perception of Parental Approval: IPRC Survey – Noble County

Percent Students reporting Parents would feel Very Wrong/Wrong

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

	Substance	6 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	All
<i>Perception of Disapproval</i>	Alcohol	90.7	88.6	77.6	81.4	85.3

#### 5. Age of Initiation – IPRC Survey – Noble County

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

Substance	2012
Alcohol	13.0

#### 6. EVER USED (IPRC Survey-Noble County)

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

CATEGORY	2012
Lifetime Use Alcohol	38.8
Never Used Alcohol	63.7

**7. Treatment Center Reports (total):**

<u>BC- Bowen Center</u>	<u>BC12</u>	<u>NEC – Northeastern Center</u>	<u>NEC12</u>
Total Clients Served	1,302	Total Clients Served	447
Total Addictions Clients	475	Total Addictions Clients	96
0-18 Yrs Old	40%	0-18 Yrs Old	21%
Male/Female	311/164	Male/Female	76/20
<u>Alcohol</u>	34%	<u>Alcohol</u>	54%

**8. Noble County Jail Bookings Underage Consumption – 18-20 yrs old - 2012 - 89**

**9. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- Responding Somewhat to Very Much to the statement that youth in Noble County “perceive alcohol, tobacco and other drug use as harmless” 2013- 54% (SA, A)
- Noble County residents reporting being aware of a youth in Noble County with an alcohol problem. 2013- 71%
- Noble County youth/young adult age 10-20 responds strongly agree or agree that youth perceive alcohol, tobacco and other drug use as harmless 2013- 45.1% while 21.4% were unsure of the perception of their peers
- Noble County youth/young adult age 10-20 who are unsure or misinformed about IN law in regards to underage drinking and driving suspension 2013- 51.9% (F,NS)
- Noble county respondents that were unaware of the Indiana Lifeline Law 2013- 47.7% (F,NS)

**End of Year 1 Update :**

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**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. Noble County Court Charges**

<u>Charge</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013*</u>
Public Intoxication	39	41
Minor Consuming	55	98

\*2013- Per Judge Kramer: My staff have spent a lot of time trying to figure out our numbers for case types last year. We changed case management software last spring and I was told that we could access this information. I do not have confidence in these numbers because I know that some are far above our true numbers. If you use them, please include something about their accuracy not being verified.

**2. IPRC Noble County Data- Past Month Usage**

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Alcohol	8.1	14.7	28.1	20.8	26.3	33.8	27.9	22.2
Binge Drinking	12.8	9.3	18.8	13.9	18.8	24.6	16.3	16.1

\*2013-2 of 3 school systems participated in IPRC survey

Substance	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
Alcohol	3.1	5.4	9.5	15.0	15.8	20.5	13.0	11.1
Binge Drinking	6.6	3.9	6.5	10.1	7.7	13.5	8.7	7.8

**3. Personal Perception of Harm - IPRC Survey – Noble County**

**Students reporting substance is Moderate-Great risk**

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Binge Drink Weekly	73.2	73.3	72.9	65.3	68.8	70.7	74.5	70.9

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Binge Drink Weekly	64.1	77.7	74.2	75.9	73.4	73.1	78.3	73.7

**4. Perception of Parental Approval: IPRC Survey – Noble County**

**Percent Students reporting Parents would feel Very Wrong/Wrong**

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	Substance	6 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	All
<i>Perception of Disapproval</i>	Alcohol	90.7	88.6	77.6	81.4	85.3

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<i>Perception of Disapproval</i>	Alcohol	93.5	90.8	87.3	78.3	89.3

**5. Age of Initiation – IPRC Survey – Noble County**

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

\*2013-2 of 3 school systems participated in IPRC survey

Substance	2012	2013
Alcohol	13.0	12.8

**6. EVER USED (IPRC Survey-Noble County)**

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CATEGORY	2012	2013
Lifetime Use Alcohol	38.8	26.7
Never Used Alcohol	63.7	75.0

**7. Treatment Center Reports (total):**

<u>BC- Bowen Center</u>	<u>BC12</u>	<u>BC13</u>
Total Clients Served	1,302	1,286
Total Addictions Clients	475	372
0-18 Yrs Old	40%	34%
Male/Female	311/164	231/141
<u>Alcohol</u>	34%	41%

<u>NEC – Northeastern Center</u>	<u>NEC12</u>	<u>NEC13</u>
Total Clients Served	447	368
Total Addictions Clients	96	44
0-18 Yrs Old	21%	5%

Male/Female	76/20	35/9
<u>Alcohol</u>	54%	52%

**8. Noble County Jail Bookings Underage Consumption – 18-20 yrs old -**  
2012 – 89      2013 – 83

**9. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- Responding Somewhat to Very Much to the statement that youth in Noble County “perceive alcohol, tobacco and other drug use as harmless”  
2013- 54% (SA, A)    2014- 65.93% (SA,A)
- Noble County residents reporting being aware of a youth in Noble County with an alcohol problem.  
2013- 71%    2014- 63.10%
- Noble County youth/young adult age 10-20 responds strongly agree or agree that youth perceive alcohol, tobacco and other drug use as harmless  
2013- 45.1% while 21.4% were unsure of the perception of their peers  
2014- Due to weather related school cancelations the 2014 survey was not completed at area high schools resulting in insufficinet youth responses for reliable comparable data
- Noble County youth/young adult age 10-20 who are unsure or misinformed about IN law in regards to underage drinking and driving suspension  
2013- 51.9% (F,NS)    2014- Due to weather related school cancelations the 2014 survey was not completed at area high schools resulting in insufficinet youth responses for reliable comparable data
- Noble county respondents that were unaware of the Indiana Lifeline Law  
2013- 47.7% (F,NS)    2014- 63% (F,NS)

**End of Year 2 Update :**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #1:**

**The incidence of underage drinking (alcohol) and understanding of underage drinking laws continues to be a problem and concern in Noble County**

**C. Goals:**

- 1. There will be an increase in the youth/young adult perception of risk of the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs of 5%.**
- 2. There will be a 10% increase in awareness of the Indiana Lifeline Law**

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks :**

**A. Problem Statement #1:**

**The incidence of underage drinking (alcohol) and understanding of underage drinking laws continues to be a problem and concern in Noble County**

**C. Goals:****1. There will be an increase in the youth/young adult perception of risk of the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs of 5%.**

2013- 45.1% while 21.4% were unsure of the perception of their peers

2014- Due to weather related school cancelations the 2014 survey was not completed at area high schools resulting in insufficient youth responses for reliable comparable data.

**2. There will be a 10% increase in awareness of the Indiana Lifeline Law**

Noble county respondents that were unaware of the Indiana Lifeline Law

2013- 47.7% (F,NS)

2014- 63% (F,NS)

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:****Final Report (end of Year 3):****A. Problem Statement #1:**

**The incidence of underage drinking (alcohol) and understanding of underage drinking laws continues to be a problem and concern in Noble County**

**D. Objectives:**

1. Continue to focus on prevention, enforcement and treatment/intervention primarily through community change strategies recommended by the Community Anti-Drug Coalition of America (CADCA), through use of proven effective methods and programs as well as new, innovative initiatives, in conjunction with the standing problem-solving committees.
2. Increase awareness by continuing to disseminate information and by being a clearing house for alcohol related information for all age groups. Continue news releases and partnering with local media, using social media and internet to provide information. Continue training, special events, forums, health fairs, town hall meetings to raise awareness, provide input, and to educate.
3. Advocate for legislation increasing the minimum age to sell, handle or serve alcohol or tobacco to age 21. Encourage and support ordinances or legislation leading to the increase in consequences for underage drinking or distribution to minors.
4. Encourage local voluntary initiatives such as signage or labeling that discourage underage possession or consumption by minors and illegal distribution to minors.
5. Assist and support youth prevention/education through public, private schools, church youth programs, and other community youth partners.
6. Support and collaborate with state and local law enforcement agencies, the prosecutor, the courts, and the Alcohol Control Board. Advocate for increased monitoring and enforcement for compliance of existing laws for licensed retailers.
7. Support efforts to increase awareness of underage drinking laws including the Indiana Lifeline Law

### End of Year 1 Update :

#### A. Problem Statement #1:

**The incidence of underage drinking (alcohol) and understanding of underage drinking laws continues to be a problem and concern in Noble County**

#### D. Objectives:

1. Collaboration is the essences of how DFNC operates in our community. The DFNC coalition represents 77 partner organizations that work together to reach individuals in all facets of Noble County by utilizing a multi-facet approach to prevention, enforcement and treatment. DFNC functions primarily through five standing sub-committees. Each committee has developed mission focused work and implementation plans to impact the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in our community. The committee work plans, goals, strategies and activities include both existing and new programs/projects.
  - Prevention Committee Goal: Engage youth in making healthy choices
    - Strategies/Activities
      - Alcohol Awareness partnerships with Noble County schools including:
        - State Farm Celebrate My Drive partnership
        - National Drug Facts Week and Red Ribbon Week Activities
        - Drug & Alcohol Quiz Bowl
        - Signs of alcohol poisoning and Life Line Law awareness
        - Too Smart to Start Programs for 4th & 5th grade students
      - Continued development of social media presence
      - Identify and link proven and effective resources to DFNC website
      - Advocate for legislation for environmental strategies including social host laws and continued support of Indiana’s current laws restricting the sell and availability of alcohol
      - Identify, support and establish or re-establish partnerships for effective prevention programs and strategies
  - Treatment Committee Goal: Treatment/Recovery Options will be available to everyone in the community that needs it
    - Strategies/Activities/Programs
      - Assist in providing funding for treatment options for indigent clients
      - Provide updated listing of recovery treatment options including all area recovery meetings, sites, times, etc.
      - Plan and implement Recovery Month focus activities
      - Promote the continued use of proven effective treatment models such as:
        - Prime for Life
        - Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT)
        - Living in Balance (Hazeldon)
        - Twelve Step Facilitation Therapy (Alcoholic Anonymous)
        - Motivational Enhancement Therapy
        - Dialectical Behavioral Therapy
        - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
  - Justice Committee Goal: Reduce the use of ATOD’s in Noble County
    - Strategies/Activities

- Utilize resource officers and trained canines in Noble County schools
      - Utilize media to promote messages/announcements/resources
      - Partner with schools to provide Prom/Party Safe Packets for students/parents
      - Facilitate update of DFNC Website with relevant proven effective resources
      - Enhances and support Noble County Drug Court
      - Advocate for legislation for environmental strategies including social host laws and continued support of Indiana’s current laws restricting the sell and availability of alcohol
    - Faith Committee Goal: Increase faith community’s knowledge of DFNC & use of ATOD’s in Noble Co.
      - Strategies/Activities
        - Facilitate communications between faith community and treatment resources
        - Provide links from DFNC website to resources for faith community
    - Workplace Committee Goal: Educate Employers and Staff regarding ATOD’s
      - Strategies/Activities
        - Educate through Lunch & Learn Seminars
        - Utilize Drug Free Work Place Certification Program to establish alcohol and drug free workplaces as a community expectation/norm
        - Provide monthly Parents at Work flyers in English and Spanish for employers to utilize for ongoing education outreach
        - Advocate for legislation for environmental strategies including social host laws and continued support of Indiana’s current laws restricting the sell and availability of alcohol
2. DFNC increases awareness in a variety of manners including:; DFNC participated in multiple health fairs, special events forums and town hall meetings including: West Noble Health Fair, Noble REMC Health Fair, Home & Garden Show, Noble County Fair, Kendallville Town Hall meetings, KidCity, Noble County Fair, workplace trainings, Lunch & Learn presentations, Apple Festival, and many others. DFNC uses social marketing tools including website, facebook, twitter and tumblr to disseminate information to community members.
- . The Noble County LCC is increasing awareness through:
    - Partnership with law enforcement and schools to Prom/Party Safety through parent letters, websites, student packets, school resource officers, school resource dogs, etc
    - Partnership with SADD, State Farm, and local car dealership for State Farm National Drive of My Life event
    - Partnerships with youth programs (i.e. PRIDE(STAR), Girl Power, etc.) to provide students in elementary, middle school and high school factual information about ATOD.
    - Partnerships with the courts/probation
    - Information/trainings at coalition meetings
    - Community & media messages including radio, twitter, facebook and website
    - Information resource including staff, website, materials, presentations
    - Booths at community events including West Noble Health Fair, Noble REMC Health Fair, Noble County Fair, KidCity, Noble County Fair, Parkview Health Fair, workplace trainings, Lunch & Learn presentations, Apple Festival, and many others.

- Too Smart to Start Program for 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students
  - Regional partnership for Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws
3. DFNC partners actively work to assure that current legislation is enforced in Noble County; advocated for not increasing the saturation levels of alcohol distribution points in Noble County; advocated to continue the “card all” legislation and continue to work with local partners (law enforcement, schools, parents) to increase the consequences for underage drinking. In addition we continue to educate coalition members on legislative issues and effective advocacy policies.
  4. DFNC has encouraged local businesses to continue to card all individuals when they purchase alcohol noting that their employees should not be required to guess the ages of those purchasing but should simply verify the age of all individuals. Local grocery stores display signage that tells customer that all individuals purchasing alcoholic beverages will be asked to present a valid ID.
  5. DFNC was able to work with all three school districts to facilitate the Prom/Party Safe Project just prior to spring breaks and proms in the spring of 2014. DFNC in conjunction with East, Central and West Noble schools and PRIDE/STAR and New DAWN programs facilitated the annual DATA Quiz Bowl. Quiz Bowls were held at individual schools with winners competing at a county quiz bowl and those winners competing at regional. DFNC has worked with prevention partners to reestablish the Too Smart to Start program for area 4th & 5th grade students.

DFNC has partnered with SADD, PRIDE/STAR of Noble County; State Farm; state and local police departments East Noble and Central Noble schools to bring the Drive of Your Life program to Noble county. DFNC financially supports Noble County Girl Power; East Noble Schools; LEAP of Noble County; Noble County PRIDE/STAR; New DAWN and state and local police departments. Media partners such as KPC Media and WAWK Radio continue to partner with DFNC to emphasize prevention measures.

6. DFNC is an active partner with the IMAGE Task Force; local, county and state police; Noble County courts and prosecutors. DFNC financially supports law enforcement through providing funds for IMAGE drug buys and other justice partner initiatives. Justice partners assist with the RX take back program as well as education and awareness programs. Justice partners are instrumental in assisting the coalition in identifying trends such as the high use of synthetics in our community and possible solutions to impact the environmental factors that affect change (i.e. effectively written legislation).
7. DFNC facilitated a regional partnership to increase awareness and understanding of underage drinking laws. Specific measures have included townhall meetings on underage drinking, radio messages, press releases, posters and magnets at schools, Parents at Work flyers focused on underage drinking and multiple presentations/workshops on recognizing alcohol products that mimic other products and increase the likelihood of risking drinking.

**End of Year 2 Update :**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #2:**

The use and abuse of alcohol by adults and awareness of effective treatment options continues to be a problem in Noble County.

**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. Noble County Court Charges**

Charge	2012
OWI Misdemeanor	214
OWI Felony	52
Public Intoxication	39

**2. Treatment Center Reports (total):**

Bowen Center	BC12
Total Clients Served	1,302
Total Addictions Clients	475
18 + Yrs Old	60%
Male/Female	311/164
Alcohol	34%

Northeastern Center	NEC12
Total Clients Served	447
Total Addictions Clients	96
18+ Yrs Old	79%
Male/Female	76/20
Alcohol	54%

**3. Recovery Homes -**

(Total Housed/Total Completed/Noble County Housed/Noble County Completed Program)

Home	2012
*WIT	36*/6*/16*/3 (*24meth/*6alcohol/*6cross)/( *5meth/*1cross)/( *16meth)/( *3meth)
**SH 6	229*/36/45/8 (*80% meth/*20%alcohol)
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\* Women in Transition \*\* Serenity House \*\*\* Four County Transitional Living

**4. Parkview Health Systems**

2012: Parkview Noble Hospital had 59 patients with primary diagnosis of alcoholism/alcohol abuse/intoxication

**5. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- o Responding Somewhat to Very Much to the statement that adults in Noble County “perceive alcohol, tobacco and other drug use as harmless” 2013- 46% (SA,A)
- o Noble County residents reporting being aware of an adult in Noble County with an alcohol problem. 2013- 71%
- o Noble County residents indicating that they are unsure of or unable to receive quality drug and alcohol treatment services in Noble County 2013- 50.3% (NS,D,SD)



**A. Problem Statement #2:**

The use and abuse of alcohol by adults and awareness of effective treatment options continues to be a problem in Noble County.

**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. Noble County Court Charges**

Charge	2012	2013*
OWI Misdemeanor	214	375
OWI Felony	52	50
Public Intoxication	39	41

\*2013- Per Judge Kramer: My staff have spent a lot of time trying to figure out our numbers for case types last year. We changed case management software last spring and I was told that we could access this information. I do not have confidence in these numbers because I know that some are far above our true numbers. If you use them, please include something about their accuracy not being verified.

**2. Treatment Center Reports (total):**

Bowen Center	BC12	BC13
Total Clients Served	1,302	1,286
Total Addictions Clients	475	372
18 + Yrs Old	60%	66%
Male/Female	311/164	231/141
<u>Alcohol</u>	34%	41%

Northeastern Center	NEC12	NEC13
Total Clients Served	447	368
Total Addictions Clients	96	44
18+ Yrs Old	79%	95%
Male/Female	76/20	35/9
<u>Alcohol</u>	54%	52%

**3. Recovery Homes -**

(Total Housed/Total Completed/Noble County Housed/Noble County Completed Program)

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**4. Parkview Health Systems**

2012: Parkview Noble Hospital had 59 patients with primary diagnosis of alcoholism/alcohol abuse/intoxication

2013: Here is what was able to be pulled from the system. These would be for people that had a primary or secondary diagnosis (I believe) of drug or alcohol usage: 2013 – 452 (Parkview Hospital reporting system has changed and may alter how we are able to report on this in the future)

**5. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- Responding Somewhat to Very Much to the statement that adults in Noble County “perceive alcohol, tobacco and other drug use as harmless”  
2013- 46% (SA,A)    2014- 58.56% (SA,A)
- Noble County residents reporting being aware of an adult in Noble County with an alcohol problem.  
2013- 71%                      2014- 81.91%
- Noble County residents indicating that they are unsure of or unable to receive quality drug and alcohol treatment services in Noble County  
2013- 50.3% (NS,D,SD)    2014- 42.08% (NS,D,SD)

**End of Year 2 Update :**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #2:**

**The use and abuse of alcohol by adults and awareness of effective treatment options continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**C. Goals:**

- 1. There will be an increase of 10% in the number of adults obtaining treatment.**
- 2. There will be a 5% increase in Noble County residents responding that they are able to receive quality drug and alcohol treatment services in Noble County**

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

**A. Problem Statement #2:**

**The use and abuse of alcohol by adults and awareness of effective treatment options continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**C. Goals:**

- 1. There will be an increase of 10% in the number of adults obtaining treatment.**  
2013- Both Northeastern Center and Bowen Center reported a decrease in the total number of clients served and in the number of addiction clients served last year. However, the number of recovery group meetings in the county have increased and there has been a significant increase in the numbers receiving services at Serenity House.
- 2. There will be a 5% increase in Noble County residents responding that they are able to receive quality drug and alcohol treatment services in Noble County**

Noble County residents indicating that they are aware of or able to receive quality drug and alcohol treatment services in Noble County (Agree, Strongly Agree)

2013- 49.7% (A, SA)      2014- 57.97% (A,SA)

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:****Final Report (end of Year 3):****A. Problem Statement #2:**

**The use and abuse of alcohol by adults and awareness of effective treatment options continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**D. Objectives:**

1. Continue to focus on prevention, enforcement and treatment/intervention primarily through community change strategies recommended by the Community Anti-Drug Coalition of America (CADCA), through use of proven effective methods and programs as well as new, innovative initiatives, in conjunction with the standing problem-solving committees
2. Increase awareness activities that focus on alcohol content, designated drivers and responsible use of alcohol through education, media and event initiatives.
3. Heighten awareness in the workplace concerning alcohol and other drug use and abuse issues, utilizing Drug Free Workplace Certification program, Lunch & Learn Workshops and employer education programs.
4. Support law enforcement and judicial initiatives that address alcohol- related offenses and issues.
5. Support initiatives that focus on the issues surrounding domestic violence and/or other alcohol- and/or drug-related violence and efforts that assist families and children impacted by addiction
6. Support and increase awareness of qualified treatment centers, recovery homes, and local organizations that aid in reducing barriers to access treatment and provide counseling and other services through focused media campaign, events, social networking and education initiatives.
7. Support prevention activities of other groups that have as a part of their program an emphasis on strategies to affect community change including existing and new programs/initiatives that have the potential to reduce alcohol offenses.
8. Support efforts that assist families and children impacted by addiction.
9. Provide awareness of available treatment and recovery options, especially through events such as the Ride for Recovery within National Recovery Month.

**End of Year 1 Update :****A. Problem Statement #2:**

**The use and abuse of alcohol by adults and awareness of effective treatment options**

**continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

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1. Collaboration is the essences of how DFNC operates in our community. The DFNC coalition represents 77 partner organizations that work together to reach individuals in all facets of Noble County by utilizing a multi-facet approach to prevention, enforcement and treatment. DFNC functions primarily through five standing sub-committees. Each committee has developed mission focused work and implementation plans to impact the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in our community. The committee work plans, goals and strategies include both existing and new programs/projects.
2. DFNC increases awareness in a variety of manners including; DFNC participated in multiple health fairs, special events forums including: West Noble Health Fair, Noble REMC Health Fair, Showcase Ligonier, Noble County Fair, KidCity, Noble County Fair, workplace trainings, Lunch & Learn presentations, Apple Festival, press releases and many others. DFNC uses social marketing tools including website, facebook, twitter and tumbler to disseminate information to community members.
3. DFNC continues to sponsor Workplace Lunch and Learn Workshops in conjunction with Parkview Hospital, law enforcement and our workplace committee. Attendance at each has ranged from 30 – 60+. DFNC Workplace Committee assists local employers in implementing Drug Free workplace polices and certifications. DFNC provides employee safety seminars specific to drugs, alcohol, tobacco use and impact in the workplace. In addition DFNC is an active partner in local chambers to provide area businesses with resources, information and training opportunities. DFNC is a partner in providing Parents at Work monthly informational flyers for employers to utilize in the workplace.
4. DFNC continues to work with county commisioners, judges and prosecutors to evaluate court costs, fees and fines to determine appropriate levels and advocate for legislation that will support the mission of local coordinating councils. DFNC is an active partner with the IMAGE Task Force; local, county and state police; Noble County courts and prosecutors. DFNC financially supports law enforcement through providing funds for IMAGE drug buys, NC Probation Dept. Drug & Alcohol Program, KPD and ISP canine programs. Justice partners assist with the RX take back program as well as education and awareness programs. Justice partners are instrumental in assisting the coalition in identifying trends such as the high use of synthetics in our community and possible solutions to impact the environmental factors that affect change (i.e. effectively written legislation).
5. DFNC seeks opportunities to support initiatives that focus on the issues surrounding domestic violence and/or other alcohol- and/or drug-related violence and efforts that assist families and children impacted by addiction. Included in those oppotunites are partnerships with Noble House and other recovery homes.
6. DFNC has provided Indigent Assistance Scholarships for Noble County residents receiving treatment at Bowen Center; Noble House; Pilot House; Northeastern Center and Serenity House. DFNC provides AA with funding to purchase paperback AA books to utilize in their program at the county jail. DFNC provides a comprehensive listing of area resources including treatment

providers, AA, CA, MA and other Recovery Programs to assist individuals and families with dependence issues.

7. Support DFNC has provided Indigent Assistance Scholarships for Noble County residents receiving treatment at Bowen Center; Noble House; Pilot House; Northeastern Center and Serenity House. DFNC provides AA with funding to purchase paperback AA books to utilize in their program at the county jail. DFNC provides a comprehensive listing of area resources including treatment providers, AA, CA, MA and other Recovery Programs to assist individuals and families with dependence issues.
8. DFNC efforts specific to assisting families and children include: assistance with LEAP of Noble County's New DAWN Positive Action and Project Citizen programs focused on making healthy choices and specifically regarding mood altering substances; over 500 youth and 400 other family members are directly impacted by the New DAWN programs. LEAP of Noble County was selected as the Program of the Year in 2011 at the regional level. Partnership with Noble House shelter for women and children: Noble County Division of Family and Children often refer families that have addictions and specifically meth issues to Noble House. Noble House is a 32 bed facility at this time. In addition DFNC partners with and supports AA, Bowen Center, Club Recovery, Northeastern Center and Serenity House in their efforts to provide assistance with individuals and families with addiction issues
9. DFNC Treatment Committee led the efforts for DFNC participation in the fourth annual Ride for Recovery in September 2013 with local sponsorship and assistance for a stop in Kendallville. Plans are in place for Ride for Recovery 2014 to again include a stop in Noble County as a part of the Parkview Health Annual Picnic. Listings of local treatment and recovery options as well as all AA meetings are handed out at multiple events throughout the year and made available to all council members to distribute. The Treatment Committee also chairs DFNC's Apple Festival event with many individuals in recovery volunteering to assist with the booth. The Apple Festival booth has become an important venue for those in recovery as it provides them to be seen as community assets rather than community liabilities.

**End of Year 2 Update:**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #3:**

The use, manufacture and street distribution of methamphetamine continues to be a problem in Noble County.

**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. Treatment Center Reports (total):**

<u>Bowen Center</u>	<u>BC12</u>
Total Clients Served	1,302
Total Addictions Clients	475
0-18 Yrs Old	40%
Adult	60%
Male/Female	311/164
<u>Amphetamines</u>	24%

<u>Northeastern Center</u>	<u>NEC12</u>
Total Clients Served	447
Total Addictions Clients	96
0-18 Yrs Old	21%
Adult	79%
Male/Female	76/20
<u>Amphetamines</u>	19.8%

Meth and/or Amphetamine related treatment admissions:

Bowen Center	2012: 116
Northeastern Center	2012: 19

**2. Noble County Court Charges (all controlled substances, including meth)**

<u>Charge</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Possession Controlled Substance	39	10	49
Dealing Controlled Substance	38	47	9*
Possession Paraphernalia	6	37	3*

\*2012- Do to concerns with 2012 errors in reports as verified by Judge Kramer we will look at past three years data to evaluate improvements.

**3. IMAGE Drug Task Force:**

Meth Seizures:

2012

<u>(6County) Cases</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Street Value / (Noble County) Cases</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Street Value</u>
Meth (Dealing) 46	53.9 grams	\$5,388	Meth (Dealing) 25	33.5 grams \$3,350
			Meth (Possession) 6	10 grams \$1,000

Possession of Precursors:

2012 (6 County) – 9, (Noble County) – 2

**4. Recovery Homes -**

(Total Housed/Total Completed/Noble County Housed/Noble County Completed Program)

<u>Home</u>	<u>2012</u>
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**5. Indiana Law Enforcement Clandestine Lab Incidents Noble County:**

Meth Labs (Noble County): (Indiana Law Enforcement)  
 2012 – 47

**6. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- o Percent of respondents who felt that meth was more than somewhat a problem 2013- 79% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2013- 58% (#5)

**End of Year 1 Update :**

**A. Problem Statement #3:**

**The use, manufacture and street distribution of methamphetamine continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. Treatment Center Reports (total):**

Bowen Center	BC12	BC13
Total Clients Served	1,302	1,286
Total Addictions Clients	475	372
0-18 Yrs Old	40%	34%
Adult	60%	66%
Male/Female	311/164	231/141
<u>Amphetamines</u>	24%	28%

Northeastern Center	NEC12	NEC13
Total Clients Served	447	368
Total Addictions Clients	96	44
0-18 Yrs Old	21%	5%
Adult	79%	95%
Male/Female	76/20	35/9
<u>Amphetamines</u>	19.8%	30%

Meth and/or Amphetamine related treatment admissions:

Bowen Center	2012: 116	2013: 106
Northeastern Center	2012: 19	2013: 13

**2. Noble County Court Charges (all controlled substances, including meth)**

<u>Charge</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013*</u>
Possession Controlled Substance	39	10	49	121
Dealing Controlled Substance	38	47	9*	73
Possession Paraphernalia	6	37	3*	148

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**3. IMAGE Drug Task Force:**

Meth Seizures:

2012

(6County)	Cases	Weight	Street Value /	(Noble County)	Cases	Weight	Street Value
Meth (Dealing)	46	53.9 grams	\$5,388	Meth (Dealing)	25	33.5 grams	\$3,350
				Meth (Possession)	6	10 grams	\$1,000

2013

(6County)	Cases	Weight	Street Value /	(Noble County)	Cases	Weight	Street Value
Meth (Dealing)		51 grams	\$5,100	Meth (Dealing)		13 grams	\$1,300
				Meth (Possession)	Did not track in 2013		

Possession of Precursors:

2012 (6 County) – 9, (Noble County) – 2

2013 (6 County) – 7, (Noble County) – 4

**4. Recovery Homes -**

(Total Housed/Total Completed/Noble County Housed/Noble County Completed Program)

Home            2012

*WIT	36*/6*/16*/3	(*24meth/*6alcohol/*6cross)/(*5meth/*1cross)/(*16meth)/(*3meth)
**SH 6	229*/36/45/8	(*80%meth/*20%alcohol)
***4CTL	41/26/5*/1*	(*65%meth/*35%alcohol)

Home            2013

*WIT	32*/6*/6*/1*	(*20meth/*10alcohol/*2heroin)/(*3meth/*2alcohol/*1heroin)/(*6meth)/(*1meth)
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**5. Indiana Law Enforcement Clandestine Lab Incidents Noble County:**

Meth Labs (Noble County): (Indiana Law Enforcement)

2012 – 47            2013 – 66

**6. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- o Percent of respondents who felt that meth was more than somewhat a problem  
 2013- 79% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2013- 58% (#5)  
 2014- 90.18% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2014- 74.57% (#5)

**End of Year 2 Update :**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #3:**

**The use, manufacture and street distribution of methamphetamine continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**C. Goals:**

1. **Reduce the perception of Noble County as a meth community by 5% as reflected in survey data.**
2. **Increase the number of meth and/or amphetamine related treatment admissions by 10%.**
3. **Reduce the number of Meth lab seizures by 5%.**

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

**A. Problem Statement #3:**

The use, manufacture and street distribution of methamphetamine continues to be a problem in Noble County.

**C. Goals:**

1. **Reduce the perception of Noble County as a meth community by 5% as reflected in survey data.**

Percent of respondents who felt that meth was more than somewhat a problem

2013- 79% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2013- 58% (#5)

2014- 90.18% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2014- 74.57% (#5)

2. **Increase the number of meth and/or amphetamine related treatment admissions by 10%.**

Meth and/or Amphetamine related treatment admissions:

Bowen Center	2012: 116	2013: 106
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Northeastern Center	2012: 19	2013: 13
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3. **Reduce the number of Meth lab seizures by 5%.**

Meth Labs (Noble County): (Indiana Law Enforcement)

2012 – 47 2013 – 66

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

**Final Report (end of Year 3)**

**A. Problem Statement #3:**

The use, manufacture and street distribution of methamphetamine continues to be a problem in Noble County.

**D. Objectives:**

1. Continue to focus on prevention, enforcement and treatment/intervention primarily throughcommunity change strategies recommended by the Community Anti-Drug Coalition of

America (CADCA), through use of proven effective methods and programs as well as new, innovative initiatives, in conjunction with the standing problem-solving committees

2. Increase awareness by continuing to disseminate information and by being a clearing house for meth-related information. Maintain supplies of brochures and media for all age groups. Continue news releases and partnering with local media on news articles and editorials. Continue efforts using social media such as Facebook to provide information. Continue training, special events, forums, health fairs, town hall meetings to raise awareness, provide input, and to educate the public about Meth. Increase awareness by concentrating efforts on :
  - a. the signs of meth use and labs
  - b. the prevalence and impact of imported meth as well as the locally manufactured
  - c. the dangers of meth manufacturing and use
  - d. available treatment options and support groups
  - e. where and how to report suspected meth use, labs and meth trash.
3. Continue to educate and advocate for ordinances or legislation leading to an increase in consequences for: the purchase of ingredients; the manufacturing of meth; and/or the distribution of meth.
4. Support education, prevention and early intervention initiatives, programs and partners that have as a part of their program an emphasis on strategies to affect community change.
5. Continue workshops, seminars and other activities designed to increase skills of participants, especially in workplaces.
6. Continue to support and collaborate with law enforcement, the prosecutor and the courts in their efforts to address drug –related offenses and issues.
7. Support treatment centers, recovery homes, and local organizations that aid in reducing barriers to access treatment. Provide awareness of available treatment and recovery options for meth addiction, especially through events such as the Ride for Recovery within National Recovery Month.

### **End of Year 1 Update :**

#### **A. Problem Statement #3:**

**The use, manufacture and street distribution of methamphetamine continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

#### **D. Objectives:**

1. Collaboration is the essences of how DFNC operates in our community. The DFNC coalition represents 77 partner organizations that work together to reach individuals in all facets of Noble County by utilizing a multi-facet approach to prevention, enforcement and treatment. DFNC functions primarily through five standing sub-committees. Each committee has developed mission focused work and implementation plans to impact the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in our community. The committee work plans, goals and strategies include both existing and new programs/projects.

2. DFNC's annual survey continues to reflect our community's concern with the manufacture and use of meth (in 2014 90.18% of respondents listing meth as a significant or major problem in Noble County). In 2014 DFNC partners organized a Meth Summit with local and regional law enforcement, health professionals, educators and government officials. Indiana Attorney General and local senators were in attendance. DFNC participated in multiple health fairs, special events forums including: West Noble Health Fair, Noble REMC Health Fair, Showcase Ligonier, KidCity, Noble County Fair, workplace trainings, Lunch & Learn presentations, Apple Festival, and many others. DFNC has an active facebook page and website with a hotline number that goes to law enforcement. DFNC works with local law enforcement and media partners to disseminate information regarding the signs of meth use and labs including handouts and graphic displays at all events. DFNC has worked with local law enforcement to educate the community about the dangers of meth use as well as new synthetics on the market. We work with school resource officers to reach youth as prevention and justice partners. DFNC works with childcare centers to assist parents in recognizing potential meth trash that may appear enticing to young children if found in parks or play areas.
3. DFNC continues to work with law enforcement and legislation to increase the consequences for purchasing, manufacturing and distribution of meth. In 2014 DFNC partners organized a Meth Summit with local and regional law enforcement, health professionals, educators and government officials. Indiana Attorney General and local senators were in attendance. Council members spoke at legislative forums and advocated for increased measures to assure that over the counter ingredients for the manufacture of meth will be monitored more effectively, provided information regarding the use of synthetics some of which mimic meth and advocated for changes in legislation to more effectively address the issues.
4. DFNC executive director and council members are working with Activate Noble County Health and Neighborhood initiatives to promote safe neighborhoods that include initiatives to develop bike and walk paths, lighting, and hot line numbers. DFNC provides resources for community members to recognize meth resulting in multiple reports to law enforcement of suspected meth labs (especially in ditches and on road sides). DFNC co-sponsors the annual Noble County Cares Conference, leads the Noble County Interagency group and is an active partner in Noble County THRIVE as we work to combine the resources to change the perception and social norms to represent a healthy, thriving community. DFNC financially supports the efforts of law enforcement, treatment centers, intervention programs, and prevention programs such as Cole YMCA Girl Power and East Noble High School Drug Testing Program for students involved in extra curricular activities. Random drug testing programs have proven to be an effective deterrant for youth as the consequences of a positive test have an immediate impact on the students ability to participate in sports and other activities.
5. DFNC has continues to sponsor Workplace Lunch and Learn Workshops in conjunction with Parkview Hospital, law enforcement and our workplace committee. Attendance at each has ranged from 30 – 60+. DFNC Workplace Committee assists local employers in implementing Drug Free workplace polices and certifications. DFNC provides employee safety seminars specific to drugs, alcohol, tobacco use and impact in the workplace. In addition DFNC is an active partner in local chambers to provide area businesses with resources, information and training opportunities. DFNC works with regional partners to provide Parents at Work flyers on a monthly basis in English and Spanish. Flyers focus on drug and alcohol issues.

6. DFNC is an active partner with the IMAGE Task Force; local, county and state police; Noble County courts and prosecutors. DFNC financially supports law enforcement through providing funds for IMAGE drug buys, NC Probation Dept. Drug & Alcohol Program, KPD and ISP Canine Programs. Justice partners assist with the RX take back program as well as education and awareness programs. Justice partners are instrumental in assisting the coalition in identifying trends such as the high use of synthetics in our community and possible solutions to impact the environmental factors that affect change (i.e. effectively written legislation).
7. DFNC has provided Indigent Assistance Scholarships for Noble County residents receiving treatment at Bowen Center; Noble House; Pilot House; Northeastern Center and Serenity House. DFNC provides AA with funding to purchase paperback AA books to utilize in their program at the county jail. DFNC provides a comprehensive listing of area resources including treatment providers, AA, CA, MA and other Recovery Programs to assist individuals and families with dependence issues.

**End of Year 2 Update :**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #4:**

The use and street distribution of marijuana continues to be a problem in Noble County.

**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. IPRC Noble County Data- Past Month Usage**

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

Substance	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
Marijuana	1.2	1.3	5.2	11.9	12.5	13.8	9.3	7.7

**2. Personal Perception of Harm - IPRC Survey – Noble County**

Students reporting substance is moderate-great risk

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

Category	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
Smoke Marijuana Occas.	74.4	81.4	68.7	59.4	51.3	46.2	53.5	63.2
Smoke Marijuana Regularly	80.2	88.0	78.2	71.3	68.8	60.0	65.1	74.0

**3. Peer Perception of Approval – IPRC Survey – Noble County**

Percent students reporting peers would Approve/Strongly Approve

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

Behavior	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
Smoke Marijuana occas.	18.6	4.0	10.5	15.8	13.8	21.5	16.3	14.1
Smoke Marijuana Regularly	16.3	6.7	9.4	11.9	13.8	17.0	4.7	11.8

**4. Age of Initiation – IPRC Survey – Noble County**

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

Substance 2012

Marijuana 13.9

**5. EVER USED (IPRC Survey-Noble County)**

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

CATEGORY	2012
Lifetime Use Marijuana	17.4
Never used Marijuana	85.5

**6. Treatment Center Reports (total)**

Bowen Center BC12  
 Total Clients Served 1,302  
 Total Addictions Clients 475  
 0-18 Yrs Old 40%  
 Adult 60%  
 Male/Female 311/164  
Cannabis 19%

Northeastern Center NEC12  
 Total Clients Served 447

Total Addictions Clients	96
0-18 Yrs Old	21%
Adult	79%
Male/Female	76/20
<u>Cannabis</u>	20.8%

**7. Noble County Court Charges**

<u>Charge</u>	<u>2012</u>
Possession Marijuana	80
Dealing Marijuana	10

**8. IMAGE Task Force (Noble County):**

Category: Marijuana

2012: 7154.5 grams (16 lbs) reported by IMAGE with a street value of \$51,154.68

**9. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- o Percent of respondents who felt that marijuana was more than somewhat a problem 2013- 61.6% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2013- 35.5% (#5)
- o Percent of respondents who indicated that the use of marijuana leads to the use of other drugs 2013- 67.8% (SA,A)

**End of Year 1 Update :**

**A. Problem Statement #4:**

**The use and street distribution of marijuana continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. IPRC Noble County Data- Past Month Usage**

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Marijuana	1.2	1.3	5.2	11.9	12.5	13.8	9.3	7.7

\*2013-2 of 3 school systems participated in IPRC survey

Substance	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
Marijuana	1.8	1.8	2.7	9.4	7.7	8.8	2.2	4.9

**2. Personal Perception of Harm - IPRC Survey – Noble County**

**Students reporting substance is moderate-great risk**

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Smoke Marijuana Regularly	80.2	88.0	78.2	71.3	68.8	60.0	65.1	74.0

\*2013-2 of 3 school systems participated in IPRC survey

Category	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
Smoke Marijuana Occas.	74.1	75.3	67.4	60.9	59.2	48.6	57.6	64.9
Smoke Marijuana Regularly	77.7	81.4	79.3	68.9	69.9	65.5	72.8	74.4

**3. Peer Perception of Approval – IPRC Survey – Noble County**  
**Percent students reporting peers would Approve/Strongly Approve**

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Behavior	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Combined
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**4. Age of Initiation – IPRC Survey – Noble County**

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

\*2013-2 of 3 school systems participated in IPRC survey

Substance	2012	2013
Marijuana	13.9	13.4

**5. EVER USED (IPRC Survey-Noble County)**

\*2012-Only one school system participated in IPRC survey

\*2013-2 of 3 school systems participated in IPRC survey

CATEGORY	2012	2013
Lifetime Use Marijuana	17.4	11.0
Never used Marijuana	85.5	89.0

**6. Treatment Center Reports (total)**

Bowen Center	BC12	BC13
Total Clients Served	1,302	1,286
Total Addictions Clients	475	372
0-18 Yrs Old	40%	34%
Adult	60%	66%
Male/Female	311/164	231/141
<u>Cannabis</u>	19%	19%

Northeastern Center	NEC12	NEC13
Total Clients Served	447	368
Total Addictions Clients	96	44
0-18 Yrs Old	21%	5%
Adult	79%	95%
Male/Female	76/20	35/9
<u>Cannabis</u>	20.8%	18%

**7. Noble County Court Charges**

Charge	2012	2013*
Possession Marijuana	80	144
Dealing Marijuana	10	11

\*2013- Per Judge Kramer: My staff have spent a lot of time trying to figure out our numbers for case types last year. We changed case management software last spring and I was told that we could access

this information. I do not have confidence in these numbers because I know that some are far above our true numbers. If you use them, please include something about their accuracy not being verified.

**8. IMAGE Task Force (Noble County):**

Category: Marijuana

2012: 7154.5 grams (16 lbs) reported by IMAGE with a street value of \$51,154.68

2013: 196 grams reported by IMAGE with street value of \$1,375

**9. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- Percent of respondents who felt that marijuana was more than somewhat a problem  
 2013- 61.6% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2013- 35.5% (#5)  
 2014- 57.31% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2014- 23.98% (#5)
- Percent of respondents who indicated that the use of marijuana leads to the use of other drugs  
 2013- 67.8% (SA,A) 2014- 64.83% (SA,A)

**End of Year 2 Update:**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #4:**

**The use and street distribution of marijuana continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**C. Goals:**

1. Increase perception of harm of marijuana by 5% .
2. Increase understanding of marijuana as a gateway drug to other drug use by 5%

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

**A. Problem Statement #4:**

**The use and street distribution of marijuana continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

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1. Increase perception of harm of marijuana by 5% .

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 Percent students reporting peers would Approve/Strongly Approve

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**2. Increase understanding of marijuana as a gateway drug to other drug use by 5%****2013- Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- Percent of respondents who indicated that the use of marijuana leads to the use of other drugs  
2013- 67.8% (SA,A) 2014- 64.83% (SA,A)

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:****Final Report (end of Year 3):****A. Problem Statement #4:**

**The use and street distribution of marijuana continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**D. Objectives:**

1. Continue to focus on prevention, enforcement and treatment/intervention primarily through community change strategies recommended by the Community Anti-Drug Coalition of America (CADCA), through use of proven effective methods and programs as well as new, innovative initiatives, in conjunction with the standing problem-solving committees
2. Increase awareness by continuing to disseminate information and by being a clearing house for marijuana related information. Maintain supplies of brochures and media for all age groups. Continue news releases and partnering with local media on news articles and editorials. Continue efforts using social media such as Facebook to provide information and to gain support for Drug Free Noble County. Continue training, special events, forums, health fairs, town hall meetings to raise awareness, provide input and to educate.
3. Educate and advocate against legislation that seeks to legalize marijuana for medical and or recreational use.
4. Advocate for increased reconnaissance and eradication of marijuana plants.
5. Support prevention activities of other groups that have as a part of their program an emphasis on strategies to affect community change.
6. Continue workshops, seminars and other activities designed to increase knowledge of participants, especially in workplaces in relationship to ATOD use.
7. Continue to support and collaborate with law enforcement, the prosecutor and the courts. Advocate for increased monitoring and enforcement of compliance of existing laws.
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**End of Year 1 Update:****A. Problem Statement #4:**

**The use and street distribution of marijuana continues to be a problem in Noble County.**

**D. Objectives:**

1. The DFNC coalition represents 77 partner organizations that work together to reach individuals in all facets of Noble County by utilizing a multi-facet approach to prevention, enforcement and treatment. In March of 2011, DFNC held a Retrench not Retreat planning session to establish committee-level goals to assist DFNC in meeting our objectives. Each committee has developed work/action plans based on their goals and objectives and is actively implementing those plans throughout Noble County. Committee workplans are reviewed and updated regularly to address changing issues in the community.
2. DFNC's annual survey continues to reflect our community's concern with the manufacture and use of marijuana (in 2014 57.3% of respondents listing marijuana as a significant or major problem in Noble County). DFNC participated in multiple health fairs and special events forums including: West Noble Health Fair, Noble REMC Health Fair, Showcase Ligonier, Noble County Fair, KidCity, workplace trainings, Lunch & Learn presentations, Apple Festival, and many others. DFNC has an active facebook page and website with a hotline number that goes to law enforcement. DFNC works with local law enforcement and media partners to disseminate information regarding the signs of meth use and labs including handouts and graphic displays at all events. DFNC has worked with local law enforcement to educate the community about the dangers of meth use as well as new synthetics on the market. We work with school resource officers to reach youth as prevention and justice partners.
3. DFNC 2014 annual survey indicates that 64.83% of respondents agree that marijuana use leads to the use of other drugs. DFNC coalition members continue to advocate against the legalization of marijuana as a medical use drug and the reduction of penalties for possession of marijuana. Coalition training has been provided on legal marijuana issues including its affects on law enforcement and treatment options.
4. As a rural community with many fields, woods and undeveloped lands it is imperative that DFNC continue to support the work of law enforcement to explore, locate and eradicate cultivated plots of marijuana. DFNC works with local and state law enforcement to advocate for funding for eradication programs. In 2013 DFNC was a partner in funding the LPD Marijuana Leaf Identification Program and assisted with the Noble County Sheriff Department's photogrammetry equipment in 2012. We continue to partner with law enforcement to promote cross department use of funded equipment.
5. DFNC partners with local groups such as Activate Noble County to focus resources on strategies to affect community change including improved lighting and walkways. DFNC financially supports the efforts of law enforcement, treatment centers, intervention programs, and prevention programs such as Cole YMCA Girl Power and East Noble High School Drug Testing Program for students involved in extra curricular activities. Random drug testing programs have proven to be an effective deterrant for youth as the consequences of a positive test have an immediate impact on the students ability to participate in sports and other activities. DFNC co-sponsors the annual Noble

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7. DFNC is an active partner with the IMAGE Task Force; local, county and state police; Noble County courts and prosecutors. DFNC financially supports law enforcement through providing funds for IMAGE drug buys, NC Probation Dept. Drug & Alcohol Program, KPD and ISP Canine Programs. Justice partners assist with the RX take back program as well as education and awareness programs. Justice partners are instrumental in assisting the coalition in identifying trends such as the high use of synthetics in our community and possible solutions to impact the environmental factors that affect change (i.e. effectively written legislation).
8. DFNC has provided Indigent Assistance Scholarships for Noble County residents receiving treatment at Bowen Center; Noble House; Pilot House; Northeastern Center and Serenity House. DFNC provides AA with funding to purchase paperback AA books to utilize in their program at the county jail. DFNC provides a comprehensive listing of area resources including treatment providers, AA, CA, MA and other Recovery Programs to assist individuals and families with dependence issues
9. DFNC Treatment Committee led the efforts for DFNC participation in the fourth annual Ride for Recovery in September 2013 with local sponsorship and assistance for a stop in Kendallville. Plans are in place for Ride for Recovery 2014 to again include a stop in Noble County as a part of the Parkview Health Annual Picnic. Listings of local treatment and recovery options as well as all AA meetings are handed out at multiple events throughout the year and made available to all council members to distribute. The Treatment Committee also chairs DFNC's Apple Festival event with many individuals in recovery volunteering to assist with the booth. The Apple Festival booth has become an important venue for those in recovery as it provides them to be seen as community assets rather than community liabilities.

**End of Year 2 Update:**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #5**

The use and street distribution of prescription medications, synthetic cannabis, over the counter, and other mind alerting substances continues to be a problem in Noble County.

**B. Supportive Data:**

**1. Noble County IMAGE Drug Task Force Statistics 2012**

<u>Drug</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Street Value</u>
Methadone:	1	4 tablets	\$40.00
Oxycodone	1	10 tablets	\$340.00
Morphine	5	67 tablets	\$1340.00
Xanax	1	15 tablets	\$75.00
Opana	2	24 tablets	\$168.00
Percocet	6	105 tablets	\$1,050.00
Vicoden	3	60 tablets	\$600.00
Legend Drugs	2	32 tablets	\$112.00
Synthetic Drugs (Spice)	2	14 grams	\$70.00

**2. According to an Indiana University Center for Health Policy report, which defined prescription drug dependence as “individuals in substance abuse treatment listing prescription drugs and their primary substance at admission,” reported the number of treatment episodes with prescription drug abuse and dependence reported at treatment admission for Noble County included:**

	<u>2012</u>
Prescription Drug Abuse (Rx)	192
Pain Reliever Abuse (Opioid)	21
Sedative & Tranquilizer Abuse (CNS Depressant)	12
Stimulant Abuse	166
Prescription Drug Dependence (Rx)	121
Pain Reliever Dependence (Opioid)	10
Sedative & Tranquilizer Dependence (CNS Depressant)	<5
Stimulant Dependence.	110

**3. Noble County Needs Assessment Survey (DFNC survey):**

- Noble County youth/young adult respondents unsure or misinformed of Indiana law regarding possession, transport, sell of synthetic stimulants 2013 – 49.4% (F,NS)
- Percent of respondents who felt that prescription drugs was more than somewhat a problem 2013- 52.1% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2013- 22.7% (#5)

**4. Noble County Arrest Rates for Synthetic Drugs Uniform Crime Reporting Program**

- Possession, 2010: .57 per 1000 population (actual 27)
- Sale/Manufacture, 2010: .17 per 1000 population (actual 8)

2010 Uniform Crime Reporting Data most recent reflected in 2012 Indiana State Epidemiology Profile

**End of Year 1 Update:**



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**Noble County IMAGE Drug Task Force Statistics 2013**

<u>Drug</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Street Value</u>
Synthetic Marijuana		8 grams	\$80.00
Cyclobenzgorine (pills)		2 pills	\$25.00

**2. According to an Indiana University Center for Health Policy report, which defined prescription drug dependence as “individuals in substance abuse treatment listing prescription drugs and their primary substance at admission,” reported the number of treatment episodes with prescription drug abuse and dependence reported at treatment admission for Noble County included:**

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- Noble County youth/young adult respondents unsure or misinformed of Indiana law regarding possession, transport, sell of synthetic stimulants  
2013- 49.4% (F,NS) 2014- Due to weather related school cancelations the 2014 survey was not completed at area high schools resulting in insufficient youth responses for reliable comparable data.
- Percent of respondents who felt that prescription drugs was more than somewhat a problem  
2013- 52.1% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2013- 22.7% (#5)

2014- 63.59% (#4,5), Percent stating VERY MUCH a problem 2014- 30.06% (#5)

**4. Noble County Arrest Rates for Synthetic Drugs Uniform Crime Reporting Program**

- Possession, 2010: .57 per 1000 population (actual 27)  
2011: .54 per 1000 population (actual 26)
- Sale/Manufacture, 2010: .17 per 1000 population (actual 8)  
2011: .19 per 1000 population (actual 9)

2010 Uniform Crime Reporting Data most recent reflected in 2012 Indiana State Epidemiology Profile  
 2011 Uniform Crime Reporting Data most recent reflected in 2013 Indiana State Epidemiology Profile  
 2013 Noble County Priority Score for synthetic and meth 188 ranked in top 10 for Indiana

**End of Year 2 Update:**

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2013- DFNC survey results reflect that 66.3% of respondents indicated understanding of the law  
 2014 - DFNC survey results reflect that 68.97% of respondents indicated understanding of the law

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**2013- Noble County Arrest Rates for Synthetic Drugs Uniform Crime Reporting Program**

- Possession, 2010: .57 per 1000 population (actual 27)  
2011: .54 per 1000 population (actual 26)
- Sale/Manufacture, 2010: .17 per 1000 population (actual 8)  
2011: .19 per 1000 population (actual 9)

2010 Uniform Crime Reporting Data most recent reflected in 2012 Indiana State Epidemiology Profile  
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**D. Objectives:**

1. Continue to focus on prevention, enforcement and treatment/intervention primarily through community change strategies recommended by the Community Anti-Drug Coalition of America (CADCA), through use of proven effective methods and programs as well as new, innovative initiatives, in conjunction with the standing problem-solving committees
2. Increase awareness by continuing to disseminate information and by being a clearing house for prescription medications & OTC related information. Maintain supplies of brochures and media for all age groups. Continue news releases and partnering with local media on news articles and editorials. Continue efforts using social media such as Facebook to provide information and to gain support for Drug Free Noble County. Continue training, special events, forums, health fairs, town hall meetings to raise awareness, provide input and to educate.
3. Advocate for legislation increasing consequences for the illegal use and distribution of prescription medications, synthetic cannabis and other forms of mind-altering substances.
4. Support prevention activities of other groups that have as a part of their program an emphasis on strategies to affect community change.
5. Continue workshops, seminars and other activities designed to increase skills of participants, especially in workplaces.
6. Continue to support and collaborate with law enforcement, the prosecutor and the courts. Advocate for increased monitoring and enforcement of compliance of existing laws.
7. Support treatment centers, recovery homes, and local organizations that aid in reducing barriers to access treatment.
8. Increase awareness of permanent secured RX drop off sites in Noble County

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**D. Objectives:**

1. The DFNC coalition represents 77 partner organizations that work together to reach individuals in all facets of Noble County by utilizing a multi-facet approach to prevention, enforcement and treatment. In March of 2011, DFNC held a Retrench not Retreat planning session to establish committee-level goals to assist DFNC in meeting our objectives. Each committee has developed work/action plans based on their goals and objectives and is actively implementing those plans throughout Noble County
2. DFNC increases awareness in a variety of manners including: DFNC participated in multiple health fairs and special events forums including: West Noble Health Fair, Noble REMC Health Fair, Showcase Ligonier, Noble County Fair, KidCity, workplace trainings, Lunch & Learn presentations, Apple Festival, press releases and many others. DFNC uses social marketing tools including website, facebook, twitter and tumblr to disseminate information to community members.
3. The use of synthetic drugs in Noble County has been an ongoing concern for DFNC council members. We have actively advocated for more comprehensive legislation that allows law enforcement to remove substances that appear to be synthetic cannabinoids, bath salts, etc. from retail sites. DFNC partners work to identify, arrest and prosecute those that are manufacturing and selling synthetic cannabinoid products/derivatives as well as other designer drugs i.e. bath salts that are legally banned and work to continue to be aware of new substances or chemical alterations that may be added to the banned list with the legislation effective July 1, 2012. The 2014 DFNC survey results reflect that 68.97% of respondents indicated understanding of the law which reflects an 2.67% increase from the previous year.
4. DFNC executive director and council members are working with Activate Noble County Health and Neighborhood initiatives to promote safe neighborhoods that include initiatives to develop bike and walk paths, lighting, and hot line numbers. DFNC provides resources for community members to recognize meth resulting in multiple reports to law enforcement of suspected meth labs (especially in ditches and on road sides). DFNC co-sponsors the annual Noble County Cares Conference, leads the Noble County Interagency group and is an active partner in Noble County THRIVE as we work to combine the resources to change the perception and social norms to represent a healthy, thriving community.
5. DFNC has continues to sponsor Workplace Lunch and Learn Workshops in conjunction with Parkview Hospital, law enforcement and our workplace committee. Attendance at each has ranged from 30 – 60+. DFNC Workplace Committee assists local employers in implementing Drug Free workplace polices and certifications. DFNC provides employee safety seminars specific to drugs, alcohol, tobacco use and impact in the workplace. In addition DFNC is an active partner in local chambers to provide area businesses with resources, information and training opportunities

6. DFNC is an active partner with the IMAGE Task Force; local, county and state police; Noble County courts and prosecutors. DFNC financially supports law enforcement through providing funds for IMAGE drug buys, NC Probation Dept. Drug & Alcohol Program, KPD and ISP Canine Programs. Justice partners assist with the RX take back program as well as education and awareness programs. Justice partners are instrumental in assisting the coalition in identifying trends such as the high use of synthetics in our community and possible solutions to impact the environmental factors that affect change (i.e. effectively written legislation).
7. DFNC has provided Indigent Assistance Scholarships for Noble County residents receiving treatment at Bowen Center; Noble House; Pilot House; Northeastern Center and Serenity House. DFNC provides AA with funding to purchase paperback AA books to utilize in their program at the county jail. DFNC provides a comprehensive listing of area resources including treatment providers, AA, CA, MA and other Recovery Programs to assist individuals and families with dependence issues.
8. DFNC officially launched three permanent prescription drug drop-off sites in conjunction with National Take Back Day in 2011. We further partnered with Northeast Indiana Waste Disposal to establish two additional sites in Noble County. Each site is established in conjunction with local/county police departments. The sites are promoted at local community events and through the media. Due to the increase in quantity of drugs being collected, Northeast Indiana Waste Disposal has extended their partnership to assist in secure disposal of collected drugs via incineration.

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