Will County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition (WCSAPC)
Main Meeting – September 2024
September 24, 2024
9:30AM
In-Person and Zoom Meeting
Approved: October 22, 2024

Members Present

In-Person: Kathleen Burke (11), Victoria Camacho (11), Alexciana Castaneda (7), Cecilia DiSomma (12), Courtney Garfield (7), Troy Green (12), Dan Jungles (7), Terry Lemming (7), Bonnie McPhillips (7), Carla Policandriotes (12), Julie Sterr (12), Sheree Stilwell (8), Katie Zacharias (7)

Zoom: Aishwarya Balakrishna (10), Shmir Corzine (12), Tim Cramer (12), Caitlin Daly (10), Brian Delli (3), Paula Ekstrom (12), Lori Kehoe (10), Natalie Manley Rep. (11), William McCarty (13), Katie Schram (10), Cristyna Ramirez (12), Allison Thomas (12)

Call to Order/Welcome
Start: 9:35AM

Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions (Name & Organization)
Welcome to any first-time attendees: Noah Martinez (Rep Manley's Office 11), Julie Sterr (12)

Reports:

- **Treasurer** - Loren Yaksich - Financial Report
  - $22,864 balance
  - No expenses this month
  - Motion from Jungles, second by Aishwarya
- **Secretary** – Sheree Stilwell - Approval of August minutes
  - Motion from Jungles, second by Allison

WCSAPC Requirements:

- **DFC Grant Report** – Bonnie McPhillips
  - Getting reports completed.
    - Year 7 starting Oct 1st.

Subcommittee/Action Team Reports

- **Alcohol** – Brittany Gruver
  - Sent out letters to retailers for passing compliance checks
- **Smoking/Vaping (formerly Marijuana/Nicotine)** – James Budrick
  - Poll for the next meeting will go out by end of week
- **Opioid –** Chief Terry Lemming
  - Goals completed this year
    - Displayed messages on digital signs
    - 24 hour treatment message went on signs
    - Naloxone plus presentation
    - Messages developed for WJOL
    - Family guidance on board of the committee- harm reduction van
    - Dr. Burke distributed double naloxone to half of police departments
- **Social Media** – Courtney Garfield
  - 294 Facebook reach and 64 engagements which was an increase from last month
  - 1 New Facebook follower
- **Care Team Updates** – Sgt. Robert Platos
  - Around 18/19 events in August
  - 5 more events for the season planned so far
  - Around 40 events this year
- **Illinois Youth Survey (IYS) Update** – Dr. William McCarty and Tim Cramer
  - Putting together report from new survey data
    - 30 day use response of alcohol and marijuana have decreased for students
    - Tobacco/e-cigarettes 30 day use response has decreased to 4% in 2024
    - Perceived risk for traditional cigarettes vs e-cigarettes (more perceived risk of e-cigarettes but steady for traditional cigarettes)
    - Peer disapproval numbers have more influence – possible decrease in use in future

Sector Reports & Sharing:

- **Business in the Community:** Brian Delli
  - Upcoming events: Joliet family fun fest resource fair held at Joliet Slammers Oct 12 10am – 3pm
  - October has trunk or treats coming up, let Brian know for possible dates and availability
- **Civic Volunteer Groups:** United Way
  - No updates
- **College or University:** OPEN
- **Faith-Based, Religious or Fraternal Organizations:** Sheree Stilwell
  - Still having family support groups
- **Healthcare Professionals:** Allison Thomas/Rosecrance

    - Open house at newest location in Beverly area (11532 S Western Ave, Chicago Oct 4, 10:30 – 1)
    - Starting adult substance use primary IOP soon
    - **Gateway:** Saturday 28th, 5th annual recovery walk, at fox valley fellowship
        - 1419 Essington outpatient facility – in person and virtual groups available
- **Law Enforcement Agency:** Lockport PD
    - Teaching in 8 schools for 1st, 3rd , 5th, and 7th grades
    - 1st has 235 students; 3rd has 298 students; 5th has 277 students; 7th has 95 students. Total of 905 students.
    - 2 grades have completed pre-tests
- **Media:** Diane DeVries
    - New radio ad recorded
- **Organizations Focusing in Substance Abuse:** Tim Cramer
    - TGFD up and running
    - Parent/teen communications have launched for the new year
- **Parents:** Undersheriff Brian Conser
    - No new updates
- **Schools:** Homer Glen District 33C
    - TGFD is ongoing and going well
    - Curriculum night went well – parents were appreciative about all of the information provided
    - Planning for WGN flyover event sometime in October
    - Morning news in October
    - Tim Hanning presenting on positive behaviors and healthy decision making
    - Building construction ongoing and on track to open October 2025
- **State or Local Government Agencies:** Kathleen Burke
    - First time since 2018 an over 10% decline in opioid deaths
    - 17% decline last year in will county
    - 61 locations: 1,113 boxes of Narcan and 338 test strips distributed
    - 39 overdoses, 41 nonfatal as of 9/24/2024
    - Team will be at trunk or treats in October
- **Youth:** Peter Conser
    - No new updates
- **Youth Servicing Organizations:** YMCA
    - Donnie not present

Note: Please limit any individual sector reporting to 10 minutes.

Old Business

New Business

- Shmir Corzine from Abraxis youth and family services – substance treatment facility
    - 2 locations for services

        - Woodridge: Residential adult and adolescent services available both in-person and virtual, walk-ins welcome Monday – Friday 9am-6pm
        - Chicago: Residential adult services and detox services available. Walk-ins welcome Monday – Friday 8am-1pm
    - Lori Kehoe: free educational presentations available, reach out for more information or to schedule
    - Carla Policandriotes: Joliet township is providing safe transportation to people who need treatment. No cost for users. Narcan available in vehicles and all drivers/staff trained to administer Narcan
        - See if more collaboration for Narcan distribution with other agencies supporting substance use prevention around the county
    - Paula Ekstrom: Sunday 29th Wilmington's national night out event 2-5
        - Community prayer service Oct 27 for red ribbon week
        - Awareness walk Oct 19
        - Drug take back day on Oct 26th from 10-12
        - Attending Joliet Witches night out Oct 16th and 17th
        - Oct 18 and 19th lions club spook hike – underage drinking skit
        - Membership meeting Oct 14th 6:30pm at Wilmington library

Adjournment
End Time: 10:18AM

Next Meeting: October 22, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. IN Person/VIA ZOOM

Drug-Free Communities Definition of a Coalition:
A community-based formal arrangement for cooperation and collaboration among groups or sectors of a community in which each group retains its identity, but all agree to work together toward a common goal of building a safe, healthy, and drug-free community.