



healthy futures coalition

PARTNERING TO REDUCE SUBSTANCE ABUSE

**Healthy Futures Coalition- Partnering to Reduce Substance Abuse
Boulder County**

Vision: Boulder County is a thriving community of youth and adults making choices not to abuse substances.

Mission: Prevent and reduce youth substance use, adult substance abuse and harmful impacts of the community by collectively mobilizing resources and partnerships throughout Boulder County to create informed and healthy community attitudes towards drugs and alcohol.

Collective Impact: Common agenda; continuous communication; backbone support; mutually-reinforcing activities; shared measurement systems.

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 02, 2017

- 1) Mindfulness exercise
- 2) Introductions & strategic partner updates
- 3) HFC members received folders that included: strategic planning retreat SWOT analysis/notes
- 4) Lee presented HFC's shared data point indicators and reviewed these with the coalition
- 5) Chris reviewed the 'Strategic Prevention Framework' (SPF), 6 CSAP strategies and our OBH & DFC grant work plans with the coalition.
- 6) Coalition members broke into work groups and brainstormed action items for moving forward
 - **Adult Influencer-** Lee and Mary (facilitators) Jennifer, Heather, Kat, Jane, Teri, Meca, Karen
 - Front Range, Escoffier, Naropa & IBMC
 - 18-26 can be considered 'adult influencers
 - Employees, servers, festivals
 - Offer PYD info, parents, and influencers
 - Environmental strategies:** Project Sticker Shock
 - **Environmental Strategies-** Jen Kovarik (facilitator)
 - Understand how current (policies, events, immigration, housing, etc. impact our issues. How to address SA impacts? Look at unintended consequences
 - Use of UA's with youth
 - Retailer density (all substances) targeted neighborhoods
 - Community development, access to healthy choices
 - Policies about driving under the influence, education
 - Student eligibility requirements for athletes
 - Parks- presence of adults invested in youth
 - "Community" at parks- no fear



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- Empowering to create safe spaces
- More signage focusing on the positives “thanks for supporting drug free zones”
- Alternatives to suspension
- Build community support
- Create advocates in housing areas/neighborhoods
- Find out where youth are getting substances-“lean on sources”
- Youth empower each other
- Get support from City Council
- Encourage youth friendly businesses
- Involve youth not involved with youth councils
- Schools: life skills, decision making skills vs. testing focus
- Media campaigns with positive messaging/facts
- Break down walls- align work with county and cities
- Work with schools, government, probation, retailers & law enforcement
- Don't duplicate services- reinforce?
- Detention centers and other youth systems
- Youth access to services

➤ **Opioid-** Jamie

- work with jail- barriers, difficult to plan, too many people
- different ideologies, scheduling,
- how to get people access to tx after jail
- offer training modules
- go into the jails with resources for tx options
- funding through LEAD & Housing & Human Services
- HIV-RAC (Jamie)
- Also Opioid Advisor Group
- Support stigma/shame/families including siblings
- Signage for 'safe zones' in parks



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