***Rockdale Partners in Prevention***

***Agenda and Notes***

***February 8, 2023***

***10:30 Zoom***

***1. Introductions****-* LaTrenda George, Carol Treible, Jennifer Wilds, Sergeant Peggy Franklin, Ashley Watson, Mary-Lou Snow, Terrie Moore, Tiffany Cuthbert

***2. Purpose of Workgroup & MOU’s-Quick review***

***DBHDD Approved Goals and Strategies****-*

* ***Reduce NMUPD 9-20 (PreVenture and Safe Storage/Disposal)***
* ***Reduce Access to Alcohol 9-20 (PreVenture and Parents Who Host)***
* ***Reduce Binge Drinking 18-25 (Prime for Life-Environmental)***
* ***2A’s and an R for nicotine use at all public events- (IOAD-22 screened, SOS 42)***

***RCPS requests support for vaping efforts-materials ordered-Free program links shared-Any desire to host a community ed event.***

***Check out our new proposed billboards. (Tiffany will share)***

* DPI and RDFC received almost 1.2 million impressions on digital holiday billboards. The CPAW has decided to do another round of billboards: “Biggest Influence” #1 and #2 in English and Spanish. The team is awaiting approval from the State to put Biggest Influence #1 for February. The billboard is near a Spanish market, so positive analytics are anticipated from both populations.
* Put together a ‘Lock Them Up’ billboard in Spanish and English. This will be sent to the State upon approval of the BG #1 billboard.
  + Research the ‘Lock Them Up’ billboard to ensure logistics if it is switched from *safely* to *responsibly*. (Note: after follow-up, it is okay to proceed with Safely wording.)

***3. Strategic Prevention Framework-***

* ***Assessment: What does Underage Drinking look like in Rockdale?*** 
  + DPI is looking for a better grasp of underage drinking in Rockdale County. The team will continue to research and get input from the community with parent surveys and listening groups.
* Feedback from Youth Listening Session-C. Treible
  + Thank you LaTrenda, for getting the DFC Youth Action team together. For this listening session, DPI focused on underage drinking and prescription drugs.
    - School counselors, teachers, and counselors share that they disapprove of underage drinking.
    - Accessibility by peers- Underage drinking is uncommon but does occur.
      * They get it from parties and alcohol from their parent’s homes.
      * A parent or older sibling usually supervises the parties.
      * They feel it is a coping mechanism.
      * They are against drinking and driving, and you can tell by their actions if they have been drinking. Often the youth have fake ids and can get them from movie theaters. Also, if you look old enough, they allow you to purchase even.
      * They use Instagram and TikTok as a way to receive media information.
      * They feel that most students too the GSHS seriously but aren’t sure if anonymous would like a conversation after putting out the survey.
      * They don’t feel that prescription drugs are prevalent.
      * May be able to get feedback from a different group of kids once DPI gets into Alpha.
        + Jennifer Wilds- May be able to work with Rebecca Gibbons with her Courageous Conversations group, which has many Latinx youth. They have a youth and adult group.
        + Peggy Franklin- Could consider the Explorers as well. Meet every Thursday from 6 pm- 8 pm. Usually have 6-8 in the senior group. DPI team offered to present ‘This Is Not About Drugs’ for the older group (between 6-8 youth), and DPI could conduct a listening group shortly after. Sergeant Franklin needs two weeks’ notice to schedule.
* March 20 week-Roll Calling meeting with Conyers PD- T. Moore
  + The goal is to see what they are seeing with underage drinking. They are looking to do it on two dates later in March.
  + The more information the DPI gathers, the better. It is a great way to gain additional information through ride-a-longs and listening sessions.
* March 18 Parent Academy
  + Dpi would love to get feedback from parents.
    - DPI hopes to utilize the Parents Who Host survey, enter a raffle, and encourage participation.
    - DPI is considering doing a ‘Drug Take Back.’ Sergeant Franklin is available; DPI can provide information and Deterra bags as people drop at the takeback.
* ***Capacity Building***

***4. Today’s Focus-What’s Happening with Our Partners? How Can DPI Help?***

***Health Dept:*** Tom Branch is not in attendance, but they are continuing to do Narcan training at Rockdale Family Connections

***Viewpoint:*** Suicide Prevention meeting (3rd Thursday) this month is to focus on ‘responsible storage of firearms. Looking for team members if anyone knows of anyone looking for employment. Narcan training Rockdale – First Wednesdays – 6:30 to 7:30 pm - Rockdale County DFC, 625 Promise Path

***NAMI and Stepping Up:*** Mary-Lou- Purchased a building that will be a Restorative Justice Complex (intersection at highway 212 and highway 138)- Spring 2024. They recently held the 3–5-year criminal justice meeting. The most significant focus has been discussing youth and getting ahead of them before they fall into the system. Will host mental health day under the pavilion on Friday, May 19th (Subject to change as Jennifer Woods stated that Newton is also hosting an event in the square)

***Law Enforcement:*** Starting a citizen’s police academy class on April 18th every Tuesday night from 6 pm-8 pm. First Come, First Serve- you don’t have to live in Rockdale County.

***Status Update***

***A1. Goal One***

* ***PreVenture Update- Progress*** *–* Parent permission forms have been sent out to parents of Alpha students. Active parents’ permission forms will be a part of the orientation packet. Terrie and April Fallon met with the assistant superintendent this month and will be allowed to pull students out of class.
* ***Safe Storage and Disposal- Billboard, Superbowl Social Media Ad***
* ***Deterra Bags-***Proposing to work with Rockdale DFC and Parent Academy.
* ***Community event-***
* ***More on any upcoming events***

***A2. Goal Two***

* ***PreVenture (RCPS)***
* ***Parents Who Host, Lose the Most and Building Awareness…Check Out Our newest billboards in two languages.***
* ***A3. Goal Three***
* ***Prime for Life-Training Continues-Third Saturday***
  + DPI received a list of around 30 participants and has invited everyone. Four participants were in attendance; having three certified trainers has been great. Sent the invite for the February class.
  + Thanks to Jim Morton for the generous use of space.
    - With the influx of youth, DPI may have to consider a different location.
      * The Special Operations building can house eight to ten.
      * Grit and Grace -- Restoration Storehouse may be available as well.
  + DPI has attended the CRN Family Connection meeting this month. Trying to network with other providers within the community.

**Next Meeting: April 12th @ 10:30 (2nd Wednesday every month)**