



**COALITION MEETING
OCTOBER 10, 2023
12:00 P.M. 1:30 P.M.**

Second Tuesday Every Month-December proposed in person (Depends on Hospitality Suite Availability)-

Please put your name and your affiliation in the Chat

- **WELCOME WITH VISION AND MISSION**

Vision- Promote a healthy Decatur, free of the negative effects of alcohol and other drugs on youth and families. Mission- Systematically implement evidence-based strategies to promote the behavioral health of youth and families.

- **Introductions-Name, Agency Affiliation, Sector-Reminder -Expanding Sectors and preparing for the next round of funding opportunities with CIA's (Coalition Involvement Agreement and commitment letters.**
Corey Bivins (Schools), Lartasha Chaney (Youth Serving Agency), Alana Smith (Health), Trang Vo (SA Prevention Organization), Stevette Watkins (Veterans Affairs-SA Prevention Organization), Brian DiNapoli (Faith), Dee Anderson (DPI), Jackie McKie (DPI), Tiffany Cuthbert (DPI), Carol Treible (DPI), Terrie Moore (DPI)
- **At the Movies: Madison Yards and North DeKalb 10/6-12/3**
 - The goal is to put more effort into marijuana. The Current campaign is 'He Loves Me Less'
 - The entire campaign can be found at www.justnotworthitdpi.org. This campaign does not focus on the dangers of drugs but focuses on relationships and the people who care about them.
- **Youth Action Team Activities**
 - Meeting twice a month via Zoom and in-person (Fire Department)
 - The most recent events were the photo booth and National Night Out. The DPI booth had about 100 youths take pictures.
- **Opportunities for Collaboration/ Any Training Requests**
 - **Sustainability? Opioid Settlement?**
 - **National Night Out-Completed-**
 - Thanks to the Sprull family, Dr. Jones, and all DPI volunteers.
 - Had over 500-600 participants
 - **LGBTQ+ Support-On hold**
 - **Cinema Drive-**
 - Funded and awaiting scheduling with Mr. Sprull
 - The goal for this event is to focus on Seniors and some Juniors. In addition to students at Agnes Scott
 - **Screenagers: The Next Chapter-**
 - Sunday, November 5 Afternoon-Performing Arts Center
 - Second in the trilogy (DPI hosted the third one earlier this year).
 - DPI will send it out to everyone once the promo is completed.
 - **Homecoming Parade-**
 - Oct 20- Not marching youth this year, but will be sure that DPI gives extra goodies to the afterschool kids.
 - DPI will have a truck with Red Ribbons
 - **Red Ribbon Week-October 23-31-YAT & DHA**
 - YAT is proposing to do activities during the lights-out event at the Housing Authorities
 - **Vaping for BHMS Parents and possible 8th graders -October 27**

- The event is just for the Coffee Chat on October 27th at 9:30 AM. Kenneth Haney will be there to present.
 - If it goes well with the Middle Schoolers, DPI will look to take it on to the High School
- **STOP Act: Targets for 12-20 (Alcohol ONLY) Support from Ashley Watson and seeking new interns.**
 - DUI Ad-Carpe Diem and proposed Snapchat for Halloween time
 - College Handbook for DHS (450) and ASC (125)-Completed.
 - College Action Team-Meeting X2 month
 - Discussing intervention
 - Sticker Shock campaign w/College Action Team-Fall (2 retailers-proposed by CoD PD. Target 10/25 Potential designs started by Tiffany.
- **Partnership for Success 14-24 (Alcohol & Illegal Drugs)-thru Sept 2024**
 - Community Readiness Report-Stage 4
 - PreVenture-Screening completed (90) Groups Started over 100 kids-Anticipate at least 4.
Led by Susan Morley and Sara Gheesling
 - TINAD-BHMS Wellness Classes X 2 Oct 11 & 18
 - Survey Tabling-Proposed at Agnes Scott 10/25
 - LGBTQ+ Community
 - Ads in Movies and will expand JNWI over the holidays.
- **Drug-Free Communities 9-18 (Alcohol, Nicotine, Marijuana)-Thru Sept 2024**
 - Blue Ribbon Application Phase II Submitted- Infographic email will be sent to the Coalition.
 - Marijuana use has dropped in use, and fewer kids reported using it on campus.
 - Parents reported concern about marijuana use.
 - CMAT Recent & Upcoming Events-Dee Anderson
 - Annual Appreciation Dinner in September (10 participants).
 - Seniors also had a Sassy Seniors prom on Saturday.
 - Seniors are interested in Wills and Estate Planning and have a speaker discuss these items (16 participants).
 - Marijuana Focus Groups-Dee Anderson
 - EBP-All Stars-Began 8/18 Two Rounds only.
 - Prevention Plus Wellness- Began Sept 29-Susan Morley
- At-A-Glance Evidence-Based Programs-**
 - **Safe Homes "Decatur Parents Network."**
 - **All Stars-7th grade Wellness Class-**
 - Terrie conducts weekly classes at BHMS.
 - **Prevention Plus Wellness 9th-**
 - Susan is conducting these classes during 7 health classes.
 - **This Is Not About Drugs=Next Offering BHMS**
 - **PreVenture-Screening only in health classes at this time.**
 - **Parent Handbook for Graduating Seniors (Penn State version)**
- **DeKalb County Board of Health**
 - Alana Smith- Hosting a Naloxone training on October 19th from 2 -3 at the Richarson Building (Health Department- 445 Wynn Way). All attendees will get a Naloxone.
 - Thank you, Alana Smith, for sending the data!
- **Decatur High School**
 - Switching to a 4-day work week and a 4-day after-school program as a trial basis for the year
 - Lights Out is a national recognition event for afterschool programs. Fun day for the kids.
- **Decatur Housing Authority- Trinity Walk**
 - Figuring out Holiday plans and hoping to do something as big as the Back to School Bash

- Hoping to partner with Walmart for gifts and address food insecurity potentially.
- Would love literature on substance abuse as the Senior population is dealing with substance abuse.
- DPI may be interested in doing a needs assessment with the community at Trinity Walk.
- DPI learned it was a prevalent issue at the Chat and Chew workshop.
 - CMAT is having speakers to talk about mental health and wellness; the board of health also brings in the prescription drug lockboxes on the 21st of October. This is a start to address the current needs of the Oliver House and Housing Authority seniors.
- CPACS
 - Focused on getting the Gate Coalition meeting via a virtual platform on October 12th at 2 pm.
- Veteran Affairs
 - Screening for Veterans and current needs? If literature or even gun lock boxes are needed, these resources are available for the community.

Illegal Drugs Readiness Score-Preplanning

What to do at Stage 4 Readiness?

- 1. Introduce information about the issue through presentations and***
- 2. media.***
- 3. Visit and invest community leaders in the cause.***
- 4. Review existing efforts in the community (curriculum, programs, activities, etc.) to determine who the target populations are and***
- 5. consider the degree of success of the efforts.***
- 6. Conduct local focus groups to discuss issues and develop strategies.***
- 7. Increase media exposure through radio and television public service announcements.***

Congratulations, Ms. Dee, for being five years breast cancer-free!

Planning an in-person Annual holiday dinner at DHS