

Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition
Monthly Coalition Meeting
Wednesday, January 15, 2025, 8:00 a.m.
Metropolis City Hall/Zoom
MINUTES

1. Welcome
 - a. In-person: Beverly Holland (ROSC), Robbin McDaniel (Executive Committee), Laken Gallo (Guardian Family Services), Harry Masse (Law Enforcement Sector Rep), Holly Windhorst (Director), Jasmine West (Prevention Coordinator), Jordan Strong (Recovery Coordinator), Lasha Vincent (Youth Engagement Specialist- TAT), Amanda Davis (Recovery Navigator)
 - b. Zoom: Tor Neal (ArrowLeaf), Jade Chew (NG Counterdrug), Amber (Arrowleaf), Debra Beckmann (ROSC Statewide) Mike Deno (Community Member), Dave Park (Kiwanis), Serena Smith (Rural Health)
2. Approve Old Minutes- No Changes were made to the old minutes. Harry Masse made a motion to approve the minutes, and Amanda Davis seconded the motion. All were in favor, and none were opposed. The motion was carried.
3. Executive Committee- Met on January 14. All items will be covered throughout the meeting.
4. Fundraising/Sustainability—The golf date has been set for May 30th, and the 5K is June 12th. Morgan Holt is working on getting a sponsor form together with options for both fundraisers so that those who want to sponsor can pick which one they would like to sponsor or sponsor both.
5. Prevention - Jasmine
 - a. Youth Advisory Council- We are so excited for this weekend trip of CGTI, Cebrin Goodman Teen Institute Mid-Year. Holly and Jasmine are taking 10 youth to Bloomington, IL for a weekend training. They are getting excited about this trip. We have another Trip coming up for the Springfield Advocacy with the Illinois Prevention Network, this

trip is March 4-5. We have about 8 youth willing to go with 4 girls and 4 boys. We are unsure about the advocacy topics at this point.

MCHS YAC is currently working on different committees for the rest of the school year. March has National Drug and Alcohol facts week, April has alcohol awareness, vaping awareness, DEC awareness and more. May is mental health awareness and has national prevention week. They have formed committees and have begun working on what they want to do during those months.

Joppa YAC is currently excited about April when they will do their Alcohol Awareness Assembly. They are even meeting without Jasmine to plan and it is great to see them taking the initiative.

Overall YAC is going so good and continuing to build every day.

- b. Drug-Endangered Children (DEC) Alliance- We are working on setting the next DEC meeting but waiting until some things are off the ground. Holly and Jasmine met with Mr. Hayes the Massac Superintendent and Mr. Walker the IT and homeless liaison about the DEC and Handle with Care. They want to do Handle with care through an email but this may have to be talked through with the police to if they are able to do that. We were invited to the first responders meeting tomorrow to talk about Handle with Care to hopefully decide how it will work. We are also getting items together for the Backpacks. We have received calls about some that need items and we have started buying stuff. The Backpacks will be stored at DCFS. We are now looking at what to do with the DEC alliance. The Isaiah House was previously a goal and we found out from DCFS that they have acquired a large building in Marion that can help house children in the process of switching guardians that will have bedrooms and a place to bathe, so the Isaiah House isn't an immediate need.
- c. Truth & Consequences- Jasmine reached out to places in Kentucky where Truth & Consequences initiated to gain more scenarios for Truth and Consequences. We received roughly 80 new scenarios, with these we also found out that if using the name Truth and Consequences we cannot add or change the given scenarios for our area. With this, we have decided to look for new names for the program. If anyone has ideas please reach out. We are also looking at presenters for the other stations. The MCHS YAC said they would

be willing to do a presentation for the students. This we think will be very successful coming from those that the 8th graders will look up to when they go into high school.

- d. CADCA Conference- February 2-6 Holly, Jasmine and Jordan will be going to Washington DC for the national CADCA Forum. They hope to learn new coalition strategies to bring back to our community.
- e. Be on the lookout for the Prevent Child Abuse Event in April we are working on that at the end of this month.

6. Recovery - Jordan

- a. Recovery Council Update- The second outing/event is scheduled for 01/16 (tomorrow), we will be hosting a painting class in place of the meeting. Betty Diles-Fitchett will be teaching the class. We have had 13 people sign-up so far. Sign-ups were very slow at first but after talking to people one on one and explaining what we were doing we started seeing more sign-ups. Will report next meeting on the overall turnout for the event
- b. Recovery Survey- We have been getting submissions for the survey online as well as paper copies. This data will continue to be collected through most of February
- c. Narcan Distribution-This is going well, we've distributed over 3,000 doses of NARCAN since being registered as a D.O.P.P. This fiscal year the distribution boxes are being filled more often, the laundry mat continues to be the most utilized location.
- d. Christmas Care Package Recap- We put together and delivered 35 bags to the jail last month for the Christmas Care Package Program
- e. Laundry Event - Friday, Jan. 24, 11-3 The laundry events continue to be a very well attended outreach event and serve as a great opportunity to connect with individuals in the community. We may still need volunteers for these as our staffing situation adjusts/transitions. We will reach out asking for volunteers if needed.
- f. Bowling Event - Saturday, Mar. 1, 5-8 This will be our 3rd annual bowling event. It is open to the community, they will have the bar and slot machines closed and we will have the arcade cards for the kids for when there are no lanes again.

7. Resource Center Update - Lasha

- a. Warming Center- Thank you to everyone that worked so hard to make the warming center.

8. Other/Public Comment

- a. February 20- Pope and Hardin County are having a Faith Leaders meeting for pastors to be trained in recovery.
- b. January 31- 11-1- The hospital is doing a lunch at the Elks to raise money. Donations only.
- c. Serena advised that the United Recovery Community Coalition in Union County was on break and is starting back this spring and hopes to be even better. Rural Health also got an RCORP IMPACT Grant and will start having meetings on the 28th.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Amanda Davis, Harry Masse seconded the motion, All were in favor, none opposed, meeting adjourned at 8:49 am.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 8:00 a.m., Metropolis City Hall