



Annapolis Substance Abuse Prevention

A Drug Free Communities (DFC) Coalition

December 17, 2024 II Coalition Meeting

12pm @ Annapolis Police Department (APD)

- **Welcome & Introductions** - *Attendees: Angel Traynor, Director of Serenity Sistas & ASAP Co-Coordinator; Leslie Beers, ASAP & SoCo Bridges Coordinator; Dania Blair, AA Mental Health Agency; Jennifer Wheeler, Pathways Luminis Health & Recovery Anne Arundel; Justin Noel, AACDOH Teen Substance Misuse Prevention Coordinator; Loise Taliaferro, AACDOH Prevention Supervisor; Omolade Oludare, AACDOH Substance Misuse Prevention Specialist (former Coalitions Coordinator role); Bill Semenuk, Al-Anon; Nancy Beers, Parent & Retired AACPS Early Intervention/Special Education; Lt. Julia Apgar, Annapolis OEM; Patrick Kammer, Annapolis OEM; Ada & Michael Robinson, Breakthrough Community Development Corporation (BCDC); Cassandra White, AACDOH AA-Power; Patti Norris, APD. Total Attendance = 15*
 - **Potluck & Networking** - *Share your work with us! Thank you to everyone who helped make our holiday potluck abundant & successful, we had a wonderful last meeting of 2024!*
- **Capacity Building & Engagement = Sustainability** - *A few new faces attended our meeting thanks to coalition members sharing flyers! Helping raise coalition awareness by simply sharing a flyer on your social media, posting it somewhere with foot traffic, including it in an email with your network or colleagues DOES make a difference—please continue to share ASAP’s Monthly Meeting flyer, the Marijuana Prevention Subcommittee recruitment flyer, Naloxone Training flyer, Listening Session flyer (all can be found on ASAP’s Facebook).*
- **2024 Prevention Efforts**
 - TIPS Trained ~100 people from ~35 establishments
 - Provided ~130 Narcan Kits to community members
 - Successful monthly visits with H2O Clubhouse youth
 - Drug Free Communities Grant, National Coalition Academy & Marijuana Prevention Subcommittee
 - *Exciting update: The House of Representatives voted 399-to-1 to reauthorize the White House’s Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) programs which includes the DFC Support Program. Along with the reauthorization, it has been decided to add a third term of 5 years to DFC grantees, making it available for up to 15 years instead of 10 and the yearly funding amount was*

increased from \$125k to \$150k. ASAP is in Year-02 of DFC funding, so our coalition & our communities will be positively impacted by this change 😊

- **Looking Ahead to 2025** - As a team, we can create positive community change!
 - Take Action! Plan to share how you contributed to raising coalition awareness from month to month. - *Share! Share! Share! New ways to reach the community members & families at most risk; ideas on what information is important to share in terms of prevention education; outside-the-box coalition meeting format, let's shake things up & do something different.*
 - Prevention Coalitions 4th Annual End of Year Event Planning (June) - *Let Leslie or Angel know if you'd like to be part of this planning; all 4 Prevention Coalitions will collectively form an Event Planning Subcommittee for this collaborative event*
 - Youth Advisory Panel
 - *Idea to add an agenda line item specifically for SADD Students - Justin can share the meeting agenda with minutes to Annapolis-area SADD Chapters with the purpose of gaining youth perspective, feedback or ideas for a specific topic or activity to encourage youth engagement & overall engagement*
- **Upcoming Events**
 - 12/30 N.A.M. Resource Fair at American Legion (Forest Dr.) 1-4pm

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!

Next Meeting || January 21, 2024



ASAP provided the H2O Clubhouse with holiday gift bags, Grinch decorations, party supplies & a helium tank for their "Grinch-mas" theme party on 12/20 🎅🎄🧁



MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR



From Ms. Angel
& Ms. Leslie



LUCKY DUCK



Spread
positivity &
it will come
back to you!

You are STRONG
You are BRAVE
You are SMART
You are TOUGH
You are KIND
You are LOVED

