



Our coalition stands up against the negative
and promotes the positive.

Agenda 11-12-24

Welcome and Introductions (10 mins)

- Welcome from Stand UP Cass County.
- Each participant is invited to share their name and occupation, and one coalition memory or experience you have had so far. If you are new what are you looking forward to learning more about?

Review of Year 4 Progress

- The Year 4 Progress Report was accepted in August.
- Officially wrapped up Year 4 on September 30th.

Action Team Report Outs (25 mins)

- **Training and Public Engagement:** *Report by Jennifer Lombard*
- **Youth Empowerment:** *[Name of reporter pending]*
- **Youth Alcohol and Tobacco Prevention Workgroup:** *Report by Kacy Hopper*
- **Action Plan Team:** Nikki will discuss upcoming meetings to review the action plan and analyze results from the sector walk completed in August with Kim Linkel.

For those interested in joining a workgroup or action team, please reach out to Nikki.

Year 5 Kickoff! (25 mins)

- October 2024 marks the start of Year 5 for the Drug-Free Communities Grant. Refer to the press release for more details.
- Strategic and Action Plan for Year 5 will be discussed.

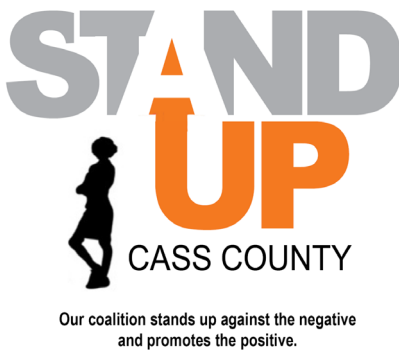
Key Initiatives for Year 5

- Increasing Community Collaborations
- Raising Public Awareness of Substance Misuse
- Continuing to Implement the 7 Strategies for Community Change
- Expanding Efforts of Teams and Workgroups

Community Share- 20-30 mins

Additional Resources & Guidance

- [Please refer to the Google Drive for all Stand UP Cass County related information and documents.](#) Thank You for coming and let's continue to work together towards achieving our goals and making a meaningful impact in our community!



Meeting Notes Summary 11-12-24

(also see team updates provided)

The meeting began with introductions there were two new attendees:

DORA Update

Christie McGregor from ASPIN: She shared flyers for upcoming events, which are now available in the drive. ASPIN will be in Howard County on November 19 and 20 to assist with enrollment in services like Medicaid. Additionally, they will be in Tipton on November 26.

Jonas Bonneval from the Adult Learning Center: Jonas runs a Haitian Assimilation Program in Cass County. He announced the return of their 2-hour Parent Program, which will incorporate Botvin Life Skills and English learning. Occasionally, guest speakers will participate. Last year, 40-50 parents attended with positive outcomes, as reported by Veronica from last year's surveys. Meetings are held at Crosswinds.

Red Ribbon Activities

The Red Ribbon mural contest has concluded, and the Youth Alcohol and Tobacco Prevention Workgroup is finalizing the details. Options for displaying the mural include a banner with a frame or a more permanent metal wrap. There was a suggestion to involve the Career Center's shop class for frame construction.

Debbie and her grandchildren contributed by decorating downtown with Red Ribbons for Red Ribbon Week. Community schools participated with dress-up days and hallway/classroom decorations, and activities throughout the week/month. Notably, Lewis Cass Elementary engaged in fundraising and donated to the Youth Services Alliance (YSA), raising \$717. This donation qualifies as a "match" for grant purposes. Rick and Nikki were present to receive the check.

Howard County recently implemented a DORA (Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area). When talking about Cass County's DORA, Andie noted that while it was used during a downtown Block Party in Logansport, it generally has minimal impact on the area.

General Updates

Handle with Care Initiative

The Youth Alcohol and Tobacco Workgroup (YATW) has been invited to draft a Safety Plan, which will be reviewed by the Planning Department and LPD before a collaborative discussion.

There was a discussion about translating window clings into Spanish and Creole to better serve public locations. Currently, there are 100 clings for outside doors and 50 for inside windows, each with different messages. More can be produced if needed, and translations are being considered.

The Health Department discussed their new DAPT trailer, designed similarly to Clinton County's "Hidden in Plain Sight" trailer. It's set up like a child's bedroom to educate adults on spotting substance use indicators and is available for events throughout Cass County.

Chris informed that Logansport Schools, LPD, Sheriff's Department, and nurses will implement the "Handle with Care" program in LCSC. This initiative allows law enforcement to notify schools to handle certain students with care following potentially traumatic events, without disclosing specific details.