

Behavioral Health Awareness Campaign

COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS



What is a community coalition?

* A group of stakeholders who represent diverse organizations, constituencies, and community members who agree to work together to achieve a common goal

* Connects multiple sectors of the community in a comprehensive approach

* A coalition should have member representation from its targeted community and include members from each of the following:

- Youth (an individual 18 or under)
- Parents/Youth Caregivers
- Business community
- Media
- School
- Youth-serving Organization
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Religious or Fraternal Organizations
- Civic and Volunteer organizations
- Healthcare Professionals
- Local or Tribal Governmental Agencies
- Local prevention provider(s) in the community
- Makes efficient use of limited community resources
- Can achieve measurable outcomes in substance abuse and problem gambling behavior.

What does being a coalition member mean?

* A representative of the community who:

- Participates regularly in scheduled coalition meetings, and
- Actively participates and contributes to coalition activities, event, and strategic planning

* A sponsor or supporter is not the same as an active coalition member.

For more information, contact our office at (516) 227-7007

ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY COALITIONS

Community Coalition of Baldwin
Council of East Meadow Community Organizations
Wake Up to Awareness – East Meadow
Coalition for Youth in East Rockaway
East Williston/Roslyn Community Coalition For Drug-Free Youth
Communities Against Substance Abuse – Floral Park
Freeport Cares
Freeport Community Coalition
Garden City Community Coalition
SAFE Agency’s – Interagency Council and SAFE’s Pride Project Coalition – Glen Cove
Hands Across Hempstead
H.E.V.N. (Helping End Violence Now) Coalition– Hempstead
Hempstead-Bedell Community Coalition
Herricks School District Youth Council
Substance Abuse Advisory Coalition – Island Trees
Jericho Wellness Coalition
Lawrence Drug Free Task Force
Levittown Council Health and Safety Task Force
Locust Valley School District Health and Wellness Council
Long Beach Coalition to Prevent Underage Drinking
Lynbrook Community Coalition
Malverne Tri-Community Partnership
Coalition Against Substance Abuse (CASA)- Manhasset
Massapequa Takes Action Community Task Force
Drug Free Massapequa
Merrick-Bellmore Community Coalition
New Cassel-Westbury Community Wide Partnership
Coalition For a Drug Free North Shore
Oceanside District Drug Awareness Council
Port Washington Safety and Substance Abuse Task Force
Rockville Centre District Drug and Alcohol Task Force and Youth and Families Committee
Roosevelt Inter-Agency Council
Valley Stream Wellness Committee
SAFE Wantagh



NCOMHCDDDS Announces a New Partnership with the New York National Guard's Counterdrug Task Force to provide technical assistance to community coalitions

The Nassau County Office of Mental Health, Chemical Dependency and Developmental Disabilities Services provides representation and assistance to local community coalitions. As a stakeholder in a coalition, we provide a county perspective on the issues facing a community. We can also provide resources that may otherwise be unavailable to community coalitions. These resources may help strengthen your coalition, as well as, offer services that could lead to optimal functioning.

With that in mind, we are pleased to inform you that through our relationship with NYS OASAS we have entered into a partnership with the New York National Guard Counterdrug Task Force. We believe that through this partnership, we can further assist your coalition toward our shared goal of improving the health and well-being of Nassau County communities. The National Guard will be able to offer services that will increase your community's capacity to identify and address needs, improve communication and data sharing with law enforcement and enhance our ability to implement substance abuse prevention strategies.

Services offered by the National Guard Task Force consist of:

- ❖ Providing technical assistance with coalition development using both the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) and the Military Decision Making Process (MDMP) with staff trained in both models
- ❖ Providing community assessment data/resources from law enforcement that may not be readily available to a coalition
- ❖ Providing technical assistance through the implementation of logic models-problem analysis, root cause, local causes
- ❖ Administering a self- assessment/Kaizen (survey questionnaire that each member of the coalition participates in using a hand held device that provides an immediate aggregate total)
- ❖ Grant writing assistance
- ❖ Facilitating training workshops
- ❖ Providing youth focused drug prevention presentations (Stay on Track)
- ❖ Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping that can capture, analyze, manage and provide various types of community geographical data

If you believe your coalition could benefit from any of these services provided by the Guard, please contact our office at (516) 227-7057 which will be the point of contact. We will process your request with the National Guard and contact you to coordinate these efforts.

We look forward to working with you in this endeavor as we all strive to promote healthy attitudes and behaviors within our communities.