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SPF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK

Description: SPF is a 5-year federal grant that focuses on reducing underage drinking and substance abuse. We implement the All-Stars curriculum with middle school students, which is an evidence-based curriculum that is designed to change qualities that research shows accounts for why adolescents engage in risky behaviors. The various All Stars programs address the following qualities: normative beliefs, personal commitment to not use, positive relationships attentiveness, beliefs about consequences, idealism, positive character, goal with peers and important adults, parent/adult setting skills, decision making skills and resistance skills.

(Prevention in Motion) – 300,000.00/yr Joana Wells / Tiffany Shirley / Esther Hernandez / Hannah Ornelas

Coalition team had been planned and preparing for the new All Stars Plus semester. We will be returning to Alta Vista and P.R. Leyva to work with all 8th grade Health classes. This year will will getting to add the new health teacher at P.R. Leyva Diana Duran to our team. We looking forward to starting the new year and meeting all the new students.



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OSAH – OFFICE OF SCHOOL AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH

Description: OSAH is a 4-year mental health grant. We will be implementing evidence-based suicide prevention programming with high school students, as well as early detection training for educators. Our staff will be trained in QPR (Question, Persuade and Refer) and Youth Mental Health First Aid, as well as creating marketing and awareness campaigns for our community.

\$60,000.00/yr Joana Wells / Julie Fuentes Tiffany Shirley / Hannah Ornelas

planning We and are preparing for the upcoming school year and excited to start Sources of Strength. This month we have been planing training and recruitment for Adult Leaders and youth leaders. The team has also be developing a plan for creating monthly media campaigns to highlighting the different section of the Wellness Wheel.





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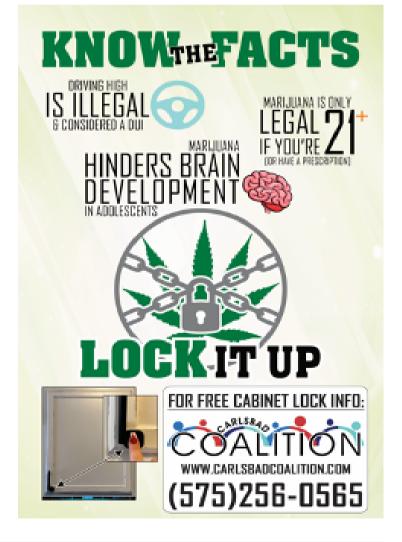
OSAP OFFICE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

Description: OSAP preventionists are committed to the implementation of evidence-based prevention programs and infrastructure development activities. OSAP delivers effective prevention services aimed at reducing alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse, which includes reducing underage drinking, binge drinking and DWI, reducing prescription painkiller misuse and abuse, reducing adult binge drinking and DWI and reducing prescription painkiller opioid improving these goals by partnering with local law enforcement, school overdose related deaths. We work towards I administration, pharmacies, medical providers, parent trainings and many other community organizations.

\$124,149.50.00/yr

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Coalition team has been researching campaign and media ideas to prepare for the upcoming year. Look for our new media add at La Cueva Allen Theater which highlights the dangers of high potency marijuana usage in youth and encourages adults to lock up all substances. The team scheduled to attend the OSAP Recipient meeting Albuquerque. They are looking forward to hearing from the guest speakers and bringing back new information.



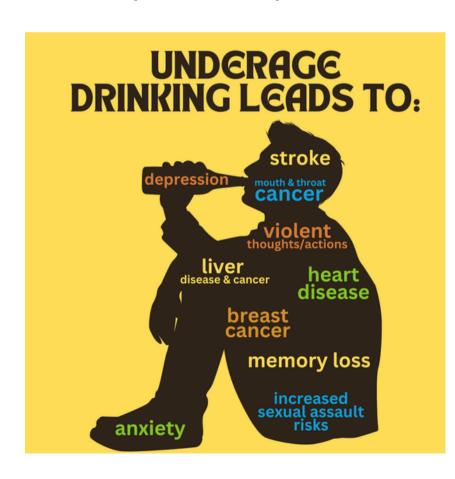


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STOP SOBER TRUTH ON PREVENTING UNDERAGE DRINKING

Description: The Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking (STOP) program's goal is to expand evidence – based prevention initiatives to prevent and reduce alcohol use among youth ages 12-20. A youth council will lead community education and media messages for their peers as well as parents and other adults in the community. We use an evidence-based curriculum, All Star Core, with sixth grade students to establish positive norms and personal commitments to avoid risky behaviors (including substance use), promote boding to the school and peer group, and build positive parent/adult connections.

\$48,509.00/yr Joana Wells / Julie Fuentes / Hannah Ornelas



We are looking forward to starting the new year. Several changes were made with how we are planning to do direct services. We have changed to facilitate All Stars Plus at P.R. Leyva with the 8th grade youth. We are looking forward to learning the new curriculum and meeting all new students. We will be working with established youth groups within both middle schools to plan and host events for the upcoming school year.



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TOP TEEN OUTREACH PROGRAM

\$50,150.00/yr Julie Fuentes Hannah Ornelas **Description:** Curriculum that promotes the positive development of adolescents through Wyman's Teen Outreach Program® (TOP®) is a youth curriculum-guided, interactive group discussions; positive adult guidance and support; and community service-learning projects. This program is funded through the New Mexico Department of Health/Family Planning Program. TOP is designed to meet the developmental needs of middle and high school teens and is focused on key topics related to adolescent health and development, including building social, emotional, and life skills; developing a positive sense of self; and connecting with others. The TOP Club meets for 9 months throughout the school year and requires 80% attendance and 25 service-learning hours in order to receive a graduation stipend of \$200.

TOP facilitators attended the Annual TOP Facilitator Conference. We are all excited and ready to start TOP Club. TOP is scheduled to start the week of August 12th at Loving High School. We look forward to meeting new students.



Helping Teens Thrive, Not Just Survive



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TEEN COURT

\$38,400.00/yr Esther Hernandez Hannah Ornelas **Description:** Teen Court is an alternative approach to juvenile sentencing. We receive misdemeanor cases from around Carlsbad, including Municipal Court, JPO, and Magistrate Court. Juveniles either plead guilty or no contest and are referred to Teen Court for their sentencing hearing. Sentencing is determined through a jury of their peers, which includes previous Teen Court defendants. The juvenile defendants are assigned volunteer youth attorneys as a defense team and are also prosecuted during a trial by another team of volunteer youth attorneys. Local attorneys and judges from Carlsbad volunteer their time, sitting in as Judge, for Teen Court trials every Tuesday. Teen Court is hosted by the City of Carlsbad's Municipal Court House and is funded in part by the United Way of Carlsbad and the City of Carlsbad.

Teen Court had a total of 9 cases this month. Teen Court team has been working on setting a schedule and recruiting youth attorneys for the upcoming year. There has been an increase in Spanish speaking cases. Plans are being made to accommodate these cases by updating forms and finding a volunteer to help translate during court hearings. We will continue to hold bi-monthly training for youth attorneys.





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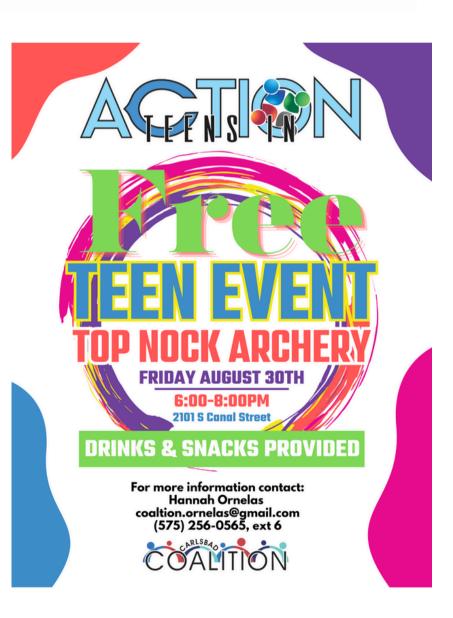
TEENS IN ACTION



Hannah Ornelas

Teens in Action held a meeting on July 19th. Youth scheduled meeting dates and events for the year and planned the Youth August event. attended the Moving in the Park night on the library lawn. They handed out fans with "Safe. Sober.Fun." messaging . They also had stickers with with a movie related quote. Congratulations to Bristal Pomroy! She received favorite her drink from SIPS the night of the movie, The Keylime Pie, for bringing the friends most to the movie.

The August event will be held at TOP Nock Archery on Friday 30th at 6 p.m. to 8p.m.



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