

**Lake County Drug Free Alliance
Comprehensive Community Plan
2007-2010**

Problem Statement #1: There is an increase in the number of adolescents requiring substance abuse treatment in Lake County.

PS#1 Objectives:

- 1) Support access for juveniles to treatment, and aftercare services for substance abuse addictions.
- 2) Support effective outcome based programs that are culturally sensitive.
- 3) Support effective intervention strategies that refer juveniles to certified treatment providers.
- 4) Improve collaboration among treatment providers through the Lake County Drug Free Alliance Treatment Committee.
- 5) Educate the public about treatment options and assist in removing the stigma of treatment.
- 6) Support and promote recovery month activities.
- 7) Support faith-based community intervention and treatment services.
- 8) Support follow-up care or outpatient care for juveniles who complete inpatient treatment programs.
- 9) Work to form a consensus on appropriate level of care and treatment for individuals in need who pass through the juvenile justice system.

PS#1 Goals:

- **There will be a 5% decrease in juveniles needing access to treatment, intervention and aftercare services over the next three years.**
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Problem Statement #2: There is a proliferation of illicit and prescription drugs use and trafficking in Lake County.

PS#2 Objectives:

- 1) Support and fund interdiction training for officers throughout Lake County.
- 2) Support comprehensive treatment and intervention programs for adults and juveniles re-entering the community from the Department of Corrections.
- 3) Support effective intervention strategies that refer persons to certified treatment providers.
- 4) Support collaboration among the 28 different law enforcement entities located in Lake County to combat the further growth of the drug trade.
- 5) Support law enforcement efforts to dismantle and disrupt the gangs that are the main source of drug distribution in Lake County.
- 6) Support follow-up care for individuals who complete inpatient treatment programs.
- 7) Work to form a concensus on the appropriate level of care and treatment for individuals in need who pass thorough the criminal justice system.

PS#2 Goals:

- **Through the interdiction training provided by the Alliance, police jurisdictions in Lake County will increase seizures of illicit drugs by 5% over the next three years.**
 - **There will be an increase of 5% in the amount of people seeking treatment for substance abuse over the next three years.**
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Problem Statement #3: There is an increasing number of drunken driving offenses in Lake County.

PS#3 Objectives:

- 1) Continue to support the enforcement efforts of the Lake County DUI Task Force.
- 2) Support law enforcement efforts to upgrade equipment which aids in the enforcement of drunk driving laws.
- 3) Support coordinated training for law enforcement officers throughout Lake County.
- 4) Support Drug Courts as an alternative to incarceration.

PS#3 Goals:

- **Enforcement of drunken driving laws will increase by 5% over next three years.**
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Problem Statement #4: Continued education and awareness of methamphetamine is needed in Lake County.

PS#4 Objectives:

- 1) Support education and awareness of Methamphetamine in Lake County.
- 2) Educate local Law Enforcement on how to identify Methamphetamine Labs.
- 3) Support education and training for treatment providers.

PS#4 Goals:

- **Increase the number of 12-17 year olds reporting never having used Methamphetamine by 5% over the next three years.**
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Problem Statement #5: The frequency of use of tobacco among 12-17 year olds in Lake County is higher than state and or national figures.

PS#5 Objectives:

- 1) Support a county-wide anti-tobacco media campaign.
- 2) Support education and prevention programs targeting 10-13 year olds.
- 3) Support programs and strategies which empower youth.
- 4) Support youth summer camps that decrease unsupervised time for 12-17 year olds.
- 5) Support opportunities for youth involvement in the Alliance thorough the further development of the Youth Sub-committee.
- 6) Continue to partner with the ITPC organization in Lake County to provide ongoing prevention and education activities.
- 7) Financially support adolescent cessation programs.

PS#5 Goals:

- **Reduce the reported frequency of tobacco use among 12 to 17 year olds by 5% over the next three years.**
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Problem Statement #6: The frequency use of marijuana and illicit drugs is higher among 12-17 year olds in Lake County than state and national figures.

PS#6 Objectives:

- 1) Support drug education and prevention programs for 12 to 17 year olds.
- 2) Support summer camps which reduce the amount of unsupervised time for 12-17 year olds.
- 3) Support Teen Courts as alternatives to incarceration for juvenile drug offenders.
- 4) Support programs which empower youth.
- 5) Financially support adolescent treatment programs.

PS#6 Goals:

- **The frequency of use of marijuana reported by Lake County 12-17 year olds will be reduce by 5% over next three years.**
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Problem Statement #7: The percentage of lifetime use of alcohol among 12-17 year olds in Lake County is higher than state and national rates.

PS#7 Objectives:

- 1) Support Drug education and prevention programs for 12-17 year olds.
- 2) Support summer camps which reduce the amount of unsupervised time among 12 - 17 years olds.
- 3) Support Teen Courts as an alternative to incarceration for juvenile offenders.
- 4) Support opportunities for youth involvement in the Alliance through the further development Youth sub-sommittee.
- 5) Continue to form partnerships within the community to provide alternative activities for 12-17 year olds.
- 6) Support programs which empower youth.
- 7) Financially support adolescent treatment programs.

PS#7 Goals:

- **Reduce the number of 12-17 year olds reporting lifetime use of Alcohol by 5% over the next three years.**