

2015 Needs Assessment for Coosa

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Accomplishments

1. SPF-SIG GRANT IN EFFORTS TO COMBAT UNDERAGE DRINKING
2. VENDOR CHECKS BY ALEA
3. 5 BREATHALYZERS PURCHASED FOR THE COOSA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
4. THE COOSA COALITION PRIDE YOUTH HELD A PRE-PROM POSTER CONTEST, "THINK BEFORE YOU TAKE A DRINK". THE WINNERS OF THE CONTEST WERE PUBLISHED IN THE COOSA NEWSPAPER.
5. PAT (PARENTS AS TEACHERS) SERVICES PROVIDED TO FAMILIES IN COOSA COUNTY
6. BB&H WELLNESS SERVICES REFERRED BY CHILD RELATED AGENCIES TO FAMILIES IN NEED OF SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE WITH HIGH RISK CHILDREN.
7. "FOCUS" ALABAMA STUDENTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE; CAMPAIGNING THE RESULTS FROM THE PRIDE SURVEY THAT "MOST STUDENTS DO NOT DRINK", THEREFORE IN HOPES TO LESSEN PEER PRESSURE FOR STUDENTS TO FEEL THEY MUST DRINK BECAUSE THEY THINK EVERYBODY ELSE IS DRINKING.

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First Priority

Need related to children of this county

*** Other

Need if 'other' was selected

UNDERAGE DRINKING

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
<p>COOSA PRIDE YOUTH COALITION - SPONSORED A PRE-PROM POSTER CONTEST, "THINK BEFORE YOU TAKE A DRINK", TO HELP MAKE STUDENTS AWARE OF THE DANGERS OF UNDERAGE DRINKING AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO MAKE WISE DECISIONS.</p> <p>"FOCUS" - ALABAMA STUDENTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE - SURVEY RESULTS, TAKEN BY STUDENTS, SHOW THAT MORE STUDENTS UNDERAGE, DO NOT DRINK RATHER THAN DO DRINK. THIS WILL LESSEN THE PEER PRESSURE FOR STUDENTS KNOWING THAT NOT EVERYONE, UNDERAGE IS DRINKING.</p> <p>COURT REFERRAL PROGRAM - ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS, TO THE COURT, BY THE COURT REFERRAL OFFICER.</p> <p>LEGAL ACTION AND CONSEQUENCES THROUGH THE JUVENILE COURT.</p> <p>SPF SIG GRANT FUNDING PROMOTING/PROVIDING ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS, "POSITIVE ACTION" CURRICULUM TAUGHT IN THE SCHOOLS.</p> <p>VENDORS CHECKED BY ALEA, ON SALES OF TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL TO UNDERAGED PERSONS.</p>	<p>LOCAL NA/AA MEETINGS</p> <p>BROCHURES/LITERATURE/VIDEOS AVAILABLE TO SCHOOLS AND IN CHILD AGENCY OFFICES.</p>

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

CHANGE OTHERS PERSPECTION THAT "NOT ALL TEENS DRINK"

CONTINUE STUDENTS COMPLETING THE SURVEY, PERIODICALLY

PROMOTE PARENT NETWORK THAT PARENTS SIGN AN AGREEMENT TO NOT SERVE ALCOHOL IN THEIR HOME.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB ACTIVITIES

NEED FOR COMMUNITY RECREATION AND PARKS

NEED FOR BUSINESSES/EMPLOYMENT FOR THE YOUTH (15 YR OLDS CAN OBTAIN A WORKERS PERMIT)

Low Cost/No Cost Idea:

THE ABOVE ARE APPLICABLE TO THE NO COST/LOW COST IDEAS

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Second Priority

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Substance Abuse

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
THE SPF SIG GRANT PROVIDING FUNDING TO PREVENT THE ONSET AND REDUCT THE PROGRESSION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND REDUCE SUBSTANCE ABUSE-RELATED PROBLEMS IN COMMUNITIES, AS WELL, AS IN SCHOOLS. COURT REFERRAL PROGRAM MAKING ASSESSMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS DRUG TESTING NA/AA MEETINGS IN TALLADEGA COUNTY, WITH CHEAHA MENTAL HEALTH PAT (PARENTS AS TEACHERS) AIDING WITH FAMILIES WHEN THERE IS A FAMILY MEMBER, ADULT OR CHILD WITH A SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROBLEM. LEGAL ACTION AND CONSEQUENCES THROUGH THE JUVENILE COURT	LOCAL NA/AA MEETINGS BROCHURES/LITERATURE/VIDEOS AVAILABE TO SCHOOLS AND IN CHILD RELATED AGENCY OFFICES. BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB ACTIVITIES BUSINESSES/EMPLOYMENT FOR THE YOUTH (15 YRS OLD CAN OBTAIN A WORKERS PERMIT) RECREATION AND PARKS COMMUNITY SPORTS/CITY TEAMS PLAYING AGAINST ONE ANOTHER

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

RANDOM DRUG TESTING

PAT (PARNETS AS TEACHERS) EDUCATING PARENTS TO LOCK UP AND PUT OUT OF SIGHT AND REACH FROM CHILDREN ANY AND ALL PRESCRIPTON MEDICINES

NA/AA MEETINGS

"FOCUS" ALABAMA STUDENTS, IN THE SCHOOLS, DEMONSTRATING ANTI-DRUGS WITH POSTERS AND CAMPAIGNS, TO SAY "NO TO DRUGS" AND STAY DRUG FREE.

Low Cost/No Cost Idea:

THE ABOVE ARE APPLICABLE TO THE ABOVE NO COST/LOW COST IDEAS

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Third Priority

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*** Other

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PARENTING

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
<p>PAT (PARENTS AS TEACHERS) - SAFE (SYLACAUGA ALLIANCE FOR FAMILY ENHANCEMENT, INC) IS THE GRANTEE FOR COOSA COUNTY;. A TRUSTED RESOURCE PROVIDING A SUPPORTIVE AND REFERRAL SOURCE FOR FAMILIES AND A PROVEN HOME VISITING MODEL FOR PARENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES. PAT IS SUPPORTED BY COOSA COUNTY CPC AS A LOCAL RESOURCE</p> <p>BB&H WELLNESS SERVICES - HELPING FAMILIES MANAGE EMOTIONAL WELLNESS, SUPPORTED BY THE JUVENILE COURT, TO IDENTIFY AND SUPPORT THE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITIES. SERVICES ARE OPEN TO YOUTH 4-19 YRS OF AGE. FAMILY SUPPORT/EDUCATION AND COUNSELING SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO FAMILIES WITH YOUTH TO ASSIST THEM IN MANAGING THEIR BEHAVIORS, SERVICES OFFERED INCLUDE INDIVIDUAL, FAMILY, GROUP COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING. MORE EXTENSIVE EVALUATIONS WILL INCLUDE DEVELOPMENT OF A TREATMENT PLAN.</p>	<p>MENTOR PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN (EX. A BIG BROTHER PROGRAM)</p> <p>LOCAL SUPPORT GROUPS FOR SINGLE PARENTS</p> <p>LOCAL SUMMER PROGRAMS IN THE COMMUNITIES</p>

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

CHEAHA MENTAL HEALTH

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

CETA SUMMER JOB PROGRAM (SCHOOL AGE KIDS WORK FOR THE CITY, FOR THE SUMMER, WHILE OUT OF SCHOOL)

FAITH BASED PROGRAMS THROUGH CHURCHES

Low Cost/No Cost Idea:

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