

Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition  
Monthly Coalition Meeting  
Wednesday, March 19, 2025, 8:00 a.m.  
Metropolis City Hall/Zoom  
AGENDA

1. Welcome
  - a. InPerson- Toni Miller (Exec Committee), Robbin McDaniel (Exec Committee), Holly Windhorst (Director), Jasmine West (Prevention Coordinator), Jordan Strong (Recovery Coordinator), Lasha Vincent (TAT Youth Engagement Specialist)
  - b. Zoom- Stephen Miller (Civic Sector Rep), Morgan Nickles (Arrowleaf), Amber Mulkins (Arrowleaf), Beverly Holland (ROSC), Mary Smith (Exec Committee), Kayla Butler (Massac County Mental Health), Mike Tyson (Take Action Today), Micheal Deno (House of Care)
2. Approve Old Minutes- No changes were made to the old minutes. Robbin made a motion to approve the minutes, and Toni seconded the motion. All were in favor, and none were opposed. The motion passed.
3. Executive Committee- All items will be covered throughout the meeting.
4. Fundraising/Sustainability
  - a. Golf Tournament - May 30
  - b. Super 5K - June 12- We are doing joint sponsorships for the Golf Scramble and 5K. This will be posted today on our Facebook. Please reach out if you would like to sponsor. And of course, registration for the golf teams and runners for the 5K run are also available.
  - c. Grant Update- We have full access to our DFC funds even with the federal freeze, and we have successfully applied for the continuation for the next year. The ROSC Grant has been released as a NOFO for this year and will be a competitive grant.
  - d. Opioid Settlement Funding- We have not received the funds yet, but the city at this past meeting approved that we receive \$10,000 of the Opioid Settlement Funds.
5. Prevention - Jasmine
  - a. Youth Advisory Council

- i. Joppa is still working on their Alcohol Awareness Assembly on April 2nd during their 7th hour. They are working on Alcohol and the brain, liver, and how it correlates with sports. They are also going to have stations with drunk goggles and the 4H with U of I extension will have their drunk driving course.
    - ii. Massac County High School is currently working through National Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week, they are handing out pencils this Friday to celebrate this week. Alcohol Awareness Month is in April, we have a small group of youth working on ideas for this month. We also are looking at doing a sticker shock during the week of Spring break. Working to create more awareness about not giving youth alcohol. CGTI is on July 13-17 at Eastern Illinois University and we have roughly 11 students interested in going.
  - b. Child Abuse Prevention - April 24- 3:30-5- Superheros Stand of Children- We are looking for organizations that would like to set up a game for kids and information for parents.
  - c. Drug-Endangered Children Alliance- We are planning a meeting on April 9th at 12 at the Massac Unit 1 office. We are currently doing the backpacks and have delivered several to DCFS. We are trying to figure out how to create better access to several sizes of clothes when needed. We also have implemented the Handle with Care program and want to hear how it is going from law enforcement and schools at this meeting.
  - d. Future-Focused f/k/a Truth & Consequences - May 9- We are having M&P presentations again this year and they are speaking on self-motivation and acceptance. We are also working with the YAC on their presentation. Also, the YAC is creating a video about what the YAC is and will be shown during the Debrief that will be done by Jasmine. We are in need of some parent volunteers as well.
  - e. Drug Take-Back - April 26- We need to make contact with the police department to confirm the event. The police department now has a drug drop box in their lobby and so does the sheriff's department. We are hoping with these they will still want to do the special takeback days.
6. Recovery - Jordan

- a. Recovery Council- Meetings are going well, 3 new attendees at March meeting. Offered in person and on zoom.
  - b. Community Survey Results- Will present on the comparison from previous surveys at April's Coalition meeting, a lot of good feedback was received. Highlights include: positive "strongly agree" responses to MCDAC's questions "It is important for individuals in or seeking recovery to feel they are part of the community" and "The community views on individuals in or seeking recovery has an impact on their ability to achieve long-term recovery" as well as "People can and do recover from substance use disorder". Highlights from SUPR's questions include: The tie between "neutral" and "strongly agree" for the questions concerning the ability for one to access treatment for either mental health or substance use disorder regardless of any demographics.
  - c. Happy Hearts Presentation- Several submissions to the surveys open-ended questions included suggestions to training or awareness of information to senior citizens. We have scheduled a presentation at Happy Hearts to share information on what our agency is doing both in recovery and prevention.
  - d. Volunteer Program- We will be working on building a volunteer program to connect individuals who are involved with us to different volunteer opportunities throughout the community.
  - e. Bowling Event, Laundry Event Recaps- March 1st we hosted our 3rd Bowling Event. It was a huge success; over 160 people attended, many for the first time. The laundry event for February was the day before and may have increased attendance. Laundry Events continue to be great outreach opportunities for sharing local resources, ROSC initiatives, and connecting with community members.
  - f. Upcoming Recovery Events-In the coming months we will begin working on plans for both the Overdose Awareness Event and the Recovery Walk.
7. Recovery Resource Center - Lasha - Peer Support Services have been busy the last month. We have connected with both the court system and Massac Mental Health to work with individuals in different capacities. Several people have been connected to treatment in the recent weeks and transportation provided.

8. Other-Mike Deno has a new initiative “Bands of Hope” in which he is looking for community partners to display bracelets with positive messages for people to take. Information about his project will also be included to spread the word. Movie night in the park was also brought up and he will connect with MCDAC to talk about details for a partnered event.

Adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 16, 2025, 8:00 a.m., Metropolis City Hall