

Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition
Monthly Coalition Meeting
Wednesday, June 18, 2025, 8:00 a.m.
Metropolis City Hall
MINUTES

1. Welcome
 - a. In-person- Rick Neighbors (Community Member), Robbin McDaniel (Exec Committee), Morgan Holt (Exec Committee), Harry Masse (Law Enforcement Sector Rep), Holly Windhorst (Director), Jasmine West (Prevention Coordinator), Jordan Strong (Recovery Coordinator), Lasha Vincent (Prevention and Recovery Assistant)
 - b. Zoom- Steve Miller (Civic Sector Rep), Dave Park (Kiwanis), Mike Deno (House of Care), Jessica Palazzolo (Lincoln Prairie), Toni Miller (Exec Committee), Mary Smith (Exec Committee)
2. Approve Old Minutes- No changes were made to the minutes. Robbin McDaniel made a motion to approve them, and Harry Masse seconded it. All were in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.
3. Executive Committee Report - The Executive Committee has an opening to fill in August for a 3-year term. Let us know if you are interested or have a suggestion. You will be expected to come to the Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday once a month at 2 pm.

We are also looking at changing the coalition time meeting. We have analyzed the coalition attendance, and we have seen a decrease in attendance. The coalition used to be at 9:30 am until March of 2020, when it changed to 8 am. Due to the pandemic, we were never fully able to analyze the attendance at the new time. We are now looking at moving the meeting to noon on the third Wednesday. We want to bring YAC members to the Coalition meetings, but that is hard at 8 am because the students are not at school when it starts. Suggestions were having the meeting at a restaurant location, Massac Unit 1 office, or keeping it at City Hall.

We are also sending out calendar invites for the meeting on Thursday after each meeting starting this month to try to help remind people of when the meeting is. It will also have the unapproved meeting minutes attached.
4. Fundraising/Sustainability
 - a. Golf Tournament Recap—The Tournament went well. We had 15 teams and enough golf carts for all those who needed them. We will have the amount raised at the next meeting.
 - b. Super 5K Recap- We had 186 sign-ups this year, up from the 134 we had last year. We were shocked at the number of people we had and ran out of shirts. We had a good response from most local people. We did get many complaints about

the awards, not having it separated by gender, and only doing 1st for each age group. Next year will be better as we will do more awards, have vests for everyone, and know what the cones situation will look like.

- c. Grant Updates - We are still waiting on the ROSC Grant to know if we have it for FY 26. We should hear any time. The federal grant may be affected with the new budget revisions, but the worst case scenario would probably be a reduction in the amount of the award.

5. Prevention - Jasmine

- a. Recap of events - Jordan, Jasmine, and Lasha attended the Massac Memorial Hospital's Senior Fair on May 28th, and we were able to pass out Narcan, drug disposal bags, and our information to everyone that came out. Lasha and Jasmine went to the Hope Unlimited Black Party on June 12th. While it was hot, we could make connections, hand out parent handbooks, and play trivia with the kids there.
- b. CGTI - July 13-17—Jasmine and Holly are taking 10 youth to Eastern Illinois University. We are super excited about this trip. One of our boys had to back out from the trip, so we are looking for another High school boy to go. We have one possibly interested, but we are unsure if he can go. Let Holly know if you know of a high school age boy who might be interested.
- c. Possible Snowball event in August—This event would be the first week of August, before school starts. The goal would be to review the data and hear from community members to review the Strategic Prevention Framework to plan the year ahead. This would be a fun event where the YAC students could come together and work towards their plan for 2025-2026.
- d. Drug-Endangered Children Alliance—Books for DCFS, Mental Health, Guardian Family Services, and all the elementary schools have been purchased. These books are Timbi Talks About Addiction, Lambi Learns About Addiction, and Understanding Addiction and Recovery Through a Child's Eyes. We also received bags from Circle of Care to give to law enforcement for the children who may be present during a police call. These bags have books, coloring books, and a Mumble Ball.

Holly attended a meeting where Megan Musselman spoke about starting a Group Foster Home. Holly was able to talk to them about the DEC Alliance and how we can help. Hopefully, we can get her to speak at the August Meeting about their needs and how the DEC can help them in their goals.

6. Recovery - Jordan

- a. Recovery Council- Meetings are going well, with June's having 9 people in attendance. There have been new attendees recently that we initially connected with at the Laundry Event. We will spend the next couple of meetings working on finalizing plans for the upcoming events happening. We are also looking to connect with Sheree Gilbert, who does a lot of work with the local animal

shelters, to see how our Recovery Council can help out with these programs as a future project.

- b. Recap of Superman Celebration- All staff covered two shifts with a few volunteers filling in. We had some local people stop by and take information about our Recovery Initiatives who were interested in getting involved.
 - c. Overdose Awareness - August 28- We are working on getting the speakers for this event. We have reached out to the Recovery Council to see if anyone was interested in sharing their personal recovery story. Chief Masse was asked if he would be available to speak on behalf of the MPD. He is out of town, so we will continue to look for another community leader to speak on the issue and another speaker to do the proclamation. Our local Recovery Walk will take place on September 20th at Fort Massac State Park. We will have all local organizations, agencies there with tables set up to include a resource fair, so information about services can be found. A regional Recovery Walk will be held on September 13th by SIRM in Chester, IL, and we will reach out to see if anyone is interested in riding along with us to attend this event. We will have flyers for all events at the July meeting.
 - d. ROSC Impact Report - This is the last deliverable due for FY25 on the ROSC. We created the document to include all the events, Narcan distribution numbers, outreach connections through laundry days, and conveyed the impact or change these things have created for our community. All in attendance viewed the Impact report and no comments or suggestions of change were made.
 - e. Laundry Days- We had our first Laundry Event with the new owners last month and it went great. We had a nice turnout and everything went smoothly. They are matching us 50 for every 100 we spend. This match will help to sustain these successful outreach events as we were struggling to have consistent sponsorships previously.
7. Recovery Resource Center - Lasha
- a. SMART Meetings - Wednesday 4:30, Friday 1:00 - Attendance has dwindled for these meetings and are working on brainstorming ideas to reach people and/or advertise these.
 - b. Needs- We have went through all of the non-perishable food items we keep at the office for any participants who may be hungry when they come in for support. Any donations of ramen, ravioli, peanut butter crackers , granola bars or any other quick non-perishable items to have on hand for when people are in need would be great.
8. Public Comment/Other - No Comment

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 18, 2025
Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 16, 2025, 8:00 a.m., Metropolis City Hall