Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition Monthly Coalition Meeting Wednesday, October 15, 12:00 p.m. Metropolis City Hall MINUTES

1. Welcome

- a. In-person- Robbin McDaniel (Exec Committee), Logan Holbrook (YAC), Matthew H. (Community member), Harry Masse (Law Enforcement Sector Rep), Toni Miller (Exec Committee), Terra Temple (Media Sector Rep), Dan Haun (ATR Ministries), Charles Tate (Exec Committee), Teresa Dain (DCFS), Marci Malnar (DCFS), Jasmine West (Prevention Coordinator), Jordan Strong (Recovery Coordinator), Lasha Vincent (Recovery Navigator)
- Zoom- Mike Deno (House of Care), Laken Gallo (Guardian Family Services), Amber Mulkins (Arrowleaf), Steve Miller (Civic Sector Rep), Kerie Rumsey (Government Sector Rep)
- 2. Approve Old Minutes- There were no changes made to the old minutes. Harry Masse made a motion to approve the minutes, and Toni Miller seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
- 3. Executive Committee Met on October 7th. All will be covered throughout the meeting.
- 4. Fundraising/Sustainability- No upcoming fundraisers.
 - a. Donations- We want to thank the following organizations for their recent donations: Powers United Methodist Church, Gemma Power donated for Red Ribbon Week, and had previously donated for Too Good For Drugs, Super City Cleaners donated half spent on Laundry Days back to MCDAC, Bridge Church donated 500 for food and drinks for the Recovery Walk, and Big Johns donated ice and buns for Recovery Walk.

5. Prevention - Jasmine

- a. Youth Advisory Council
 - i. MCHS- The Students have begun planning their RRW events. They have gotten dress up and hand out days approved by Mr. Windhorst. They are passing out bracelets, ribbons, and pencils on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of Red Ribbon Week. We will be starting a Policy group on November 5th. This group is of students that are interested in policy and advocacy. We will be doing education on local and state laws on substances. Congratulations to YAC member Chloe Higgins for being selected for CGTI Teen Ambassador.
 - ii. Joppa- The students like doing more hands-on prevention and

planning is harder. Last month they did suicide prevention post-it notes on lockers. This month they are making posters for Red Ribbon Week and basic prevention posters to hang year around.

- b. Red Ribbon Week This Year's Theme is "Life is a Puzzle. Solve it Drug-Free." Thank you to the ones who helped with packing the RRW Kits. We will be delivering those to all the elementary schools next week.
- c. Upcoming Events
 - i. Metropolis Police Dept. Drug Takeback October 25 10 am-12 pm
 - ii. Metropolis Police Dept. Trunk or Treat October 25 4 pm- 8 pm
 - iii. Brookport Bazaar November 15 1 pm 5 pm

6. Recovery - Jordan

- a. Recovery Council Meetings held twice a month starting in September (2nd and 4th Thursday of each month). The outing scheduled October 24th to go hiking Camp Ondessonk will take the place of the 2nd October meeting. A council member had brought up the possibility of having roles/offices within the council for members, similar to Oxford Houses having a rotation for the roles within each house. The council voted in favor of this and we had a sign up sheet for those interested. This will give members a chance to exercise more ownership and responsibility with the council.
- b. Community Survey- The survey is out and available both online and in paper form. We will have these surveys at our events from now until the end of the year since the raw data is due 12/30. This survey is the same as last year's and will be used by MCDAC and DBHR to track the responses from year to year.
- c. Recovery Walk recap- The event went well, we had around 65 people in attendance. A few new organizations were present this year- Rural Health Inc, Massac Memorial Hospital, and Dixon Adult and Teen Challenge. We had two men share their recovery story-displaying two different pathways to recovery. We have previously had a difficult time finding men interested in sharing their recovery stories at events so this was progress.

d. Project update

- i. Overdose Response- Out of the 50 bags assembled initially to get this program started, there have been ten dispersed directly to individuals so far. We will be keeping track of the amount given out by each participating agency, as well as tracking the number of emergency department visits for overdoses.
- ii. Employment Assistance- We are planning to have the job fair by the end of April 2026 and so far have 4 employers interested in participating. Our goal is ten employers present in some capacity, whether they are physically present or we have their information for individuals attending to apply. We will continue over the next few months working to get local employers on board with the job fair.

- 7. Resource Center Lasha
 - a. Center Updates -The Resource Center has had 6 new participants in the last month.
 - b. SMART Recovery Meetings Wednesdays at 4:30 & Fridays 1:00
- 8. Public Comment/Other none.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:40 p.m. Wednesday, October 15th.

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 19, 2025, 12:00 p.m., Metropolis City Hall