



~ FACTS ABOUT ALCOHOL ~

Youth who start drinking before age 15 are 4x more likely to develop alcohol dependence or abuse later in life than those who begin drinking at or after age 21. (CDC.gov)

Teens who drink heavily are 3x more likely to try and hurt themselves (self-harm, attempted suicide, etc.) than those who don't. (dosomething.org)

The 3 leading causes of death for 15–24-year-olds are car crashes, homicides and suicides – alcohol is a leading factor in all 3. (dosomething.org)

60% of all teen deaths from car accidents involve alcohol. (drive-safely.net)

One person is killed every 53 minutes in a drunk driving crash in the US. (FARS data 2018)

9 of 10 American teens report that drinking is not worth the consequences it can cause (dosomething.org)

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Alliance Programs

What is the Municipal Alliance?

The Hawthorne Municipal Alliance is a proactive coalition of community volunteers that include parents, educators, local government, police, and students. We focus our efforts on the prevention of drug and alcohol use and its consequences not only among the underage, but our community as a whole.

VISION: Aspiring to achieve a healthy community by providing education, awareness and training on drug and alcohol use.

MISSION: Hawthorne Municipal Alliance working in collaboration with law enforcement, schools, the faith community and local businesses to provide resources, guidance and education on the dangers of alcohol and drug use. We engage the residents, primarily our youth, by providing seminars and interactive programs with the intent to promote wellness and safety among all age groups.

and activities that are fully or partially funded by the Municipal Alliance:

ROAR Respect, Opportunity & Responsibility

Grade K-5 specific program administered by officers of the Hawthorne Police Department. The goal of the program is to cultivate positive relationships between the police and youth of the community through various classroom lessons which address topics such as peer pressure, self-esteem, making positive choices and the harmful effects of illegal substance and alcohol use.

Junior Police Academy

This program will familiarize 7th and 8th grade students with modern-day police work. The students will engage in activities such as physical training, defensive tactics, motor vehicle stops, and firearms safety. The program is run by the police department, and is intended to improve communication between the officers and the students.

Project Graduation

The Alliance will co-sponsor Project Graduation for all graduates to reduce risk taking and celebrations with alcohol. Year long preparations will reinforce the no use message.

Those Who Host, Lose the Most, Don't be a Party to Teenage Drinking

is a public awareness campaign run during prom and graduation season. The objective is to educate parents about the health, safety and liability risks of serving alcohol at teen parties and to increase awareness of underage drinking laws.

Leadership Camp

Our 6th Grade Leadership Camp module has been a model for other communities in NJ. Led by our police officers and middle school teachers, students will engage in a variety of prevention programs/lectures focusing on ATOD issues, taught to work together as a team, and develop leadership skills while becoming familiar with the Lincoln Middle School environment. We also focus on respect for authority, respect for our armed forces and patriotism. Each year teachers at Lincoln Middle School report a marked improvement in the attitude and confidence of the incoming students who have attended Leadership Camp.

Peer Leadership Program

High school and middle school groups engage in a series of educational programs to learn the harmful effects of drugs among other relevant topics so that they may in turn educate their peers and younger elementary school students.

Alliance Programs Cont.

Smart Moves: Skills, Mastery & Resistance Training

As part of the programs at the Hawthorne Boys & Girls Club, Smart Moves provides youths with the knowledge, skills, and support necessary to help avoid the drugs, especially marijuana; as while it is now legal it remains the "gateway drug." Participant will gain leadership and decision-making skills that will strengthen their resistance to the pressures associated with participating in drug and alcohol use.

Project Medicine Drop

Dispose of your unused and expired household medications, safely and securely. At any time 24/7/365. Our Drop Box is located at Police Headquarters inside Borough Hall.



Where Can You Turn for Help?

USEFUL WEBSITES

- Hero Campaign www.herocampaign.org
- National Council on Alcoholism & Drug Dependence www.ncadd.us
- Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration www.SAMHSA.gov
- Parent Helpline & Support Groups www.nationalparenthelpline.org
- Partnership to End Addiction www.drugfree.org/treatment
- National Institute on Drug Abuse <http://nida.nih.gov>
- Alcoholics Anonymous www.aa.org
- Parents Anonymous of New Jersey www.paofnj.org
- For Teenagers...What's Your Anti-Drug? www.centerforprevention.org

ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY SERVICES DIAL 2-1-1

Dialing 211 helps direct callers to services for, among others, the elderly, the disabled, those who do not speak English, those with a personal crisis, those with limited reading skills, and those who are new to their communities.