

Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition
Monthly Coalition Meeting
Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 8:00 a.m.
Metropolis City Hall/Zoom
Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome
 - a. In-person- Robbin McDaniel (Executive Committee), Charles Tate (Brookport Church of God), Harry Masse (Law Enforcement Sector Rep), Toni Miller (Executive Committee), Josh Stratemeyer (Government Sector Rep), Rick Neighbors (Community Member), Morgan Holt (Executive Committee), Holly Windhorst (Director), Jasmine Robinson (Prevention Coordinator), Jordan Strong (Recovery Coordinator), Evon Croft (Recovery Corps Project Coordinator), Lasha Vincent (RecoveryCorps Recovery Navigator), Amanda Davis (RecoveryCorps Recovery Navigator)
 - b. Zoom- Nicole Farley (Hope Unlimited), Katie Unthank (ROSC Region 5 Mentor), Stephen Miller (Civic Sector Rep), Tor Neal (Arrowleaf ROSC), Sydney Shelton (Southern 7 Health Department), Aaron Seibert (CenterStone), Stacy Kirkham (Massac County mental health), Samantha Carver (Arrowleaf ROSC), Bev Holland (Region 5 ROSC TA), Trina M (Arrowleaf ROSC)
2. Approve Old Minutes- No Changes needed. Amanda Davis made a motion to approve the minutes, and Toni Miller seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
3. Executive Committee Report- They met on April 10th. All that was discussed will be covered throughout the meeting.
4. Fundraising/Sustainability
 - a. Grant Update- The DFC grant is for competitive renewal and we turned it in on April 13th. We will find out on August 30th if we will receive another 5 years of funding. The ROSC grant also had a change in status and will now be a continuation instead of a competitive application. However, we will receive less funding than the last fiscal year. IDHS is also asking for people to scale back on direct service so we will be shifting our efforts but also trying to find a way to fund our peer services, rides to recovery, etc.
 - b. Golf Tournament - May 31- The Executive Committee has been doing great getting hole sponsors and teams. If you know of anyone who would like to sponsor a hole or a team, please let us know. We will discuss volunteers next month.
 - c. Super Fun Run - June 6- We will be taking the 5K normally held by the United Way over as they are not doing it anymore. We are looking for

sponsorships and volunteers for this. The link should be approved soon and will send everything out!

5. Prevention - Jasmine

- a. Superheros Stand Up for Children - April 18- Weather permitting, this will be tomorrow in front of the Superman Statue. MCDAC will have the button maker and trivia, 4-H will have their drunk driving course, as well as many other vendors! There will be a proclamation reading from the Mayor and statistics read from others.
- b. Drug Takeback - April 27- This will be at Metropolis Police Department with Representative Windhorst and Senator Fowler from 10-2pm.
- c. Drug-Endangered Children Alliance - April 30- This will be at Central Hall, this will be a conversation with the community agencies about what can be done in our community to provide drug-endangered children with more resources and reduce trauma.
- d. Truth & Consequences - May 10 - We are beginning to look for 30 parent volunteers for Truth and Consequences at Massac County Junior High 8am-10:30am.
- e. Cebrin Goodman Teen Institute - July 14-18 - So far we have 2 kids signed up for CGTI at Eastern Illinois University. This is a Leadership camp for Youth that also talks specifically about Substance use and prevention tactics. We are hoping to expand and get more kids to go so we can build skills of the youth.
- f. Youth Advisory Council Updates- Things are wrapping up for the school year. MCHS is voting for the Leadership team and having their last meeting next week. During the last meeting, we will also be rewarding those who have received the most points throughout the year. In May, we will have a leadership meeting with the newly elected officers for next year. Joppa is going to have 1 more meeting to help build for next year and to create a plan to grow and expand with new kids entering high school or even expanding to the junior high.
- g. Too Good For Drugs- We want to thank Sydney Shelton and Avery Martin for teaching Too Good For Drugs this year. With the pre and post tests, we saw significant increases in knowledge and perceived risks of use. Unity 5th grade had almost a perfect post test average with a 2 point increase from the pre test. Brookport 5th and 6th grade also had a 2 point increase.

6. Recovery - Jordan

- a. Recovery Bowling Night - May 18 - Last year was the first time this event was held and was very successful with over 150 people in attendance. We will set up a table with information but there will not be any type of program. The event will be held at Metropolis Super Bowl from 5:00-8:00.

- b. Recovery Council Updates-Homeless outreach possibilities had been the main topic in previous months meetings. After discussing it at the coalition meeting as well, and getting Chief Masse's input from a law enforcement perspective, we settled on doing an in-the-moment type of initial contact and looking for these opportunities by getting out in the community and walking a loop of some of the more frequented areas/parks/roads by individuals in this population. We plan today to try this for the first time today-will report at the next council meeting how this goes. The next few months, the recovery council will be mainly planning for upcoming events (August-Overdose Awareness and September-Recovery Month) We are planning to combine a few events that we held for the first time last year into one bigger half day event to hopefully draw an even bigger crowd than last year, increase community support of recovery, and increase visibility of the ROSC and other SUD treatment services. Grant changes in ROSC may affect some of these plans, but we will be working with IDHS to see what can still be done while going through the budget process.
- c. Mailer with survey- Be on lookout for this in the next few weeks. We had originally had planned to use the mailer to raise awareness about local resources available for substance use treatment. Instead, we are using the first mailer to explain how MCDAC and the ROSC can help people find local recovery resources.
- d. Recovery Outloud Campaign- We are only using Facebook for our recovery stories at this time since we were having a hard time getting a solid list of sponsors for the ad. We were also having trouble keeping the ad uniform each time. We plan to build up a list of sponsors for FY 25 to have if we are going to try the recovery stories in the Metropolis Planet again. For now Facebook is going well - Jasmine stated the first post had a reach of over 5,000 people. The outline we give people interested in providing a story is defaulted to substance use recovery but can easily be changed for anyone interested in sharing their recovery story of anything else (mental health, trauma, etc). Anyone can call, email, or stop by to get more information or an outline.
- e. ROSC In-Person Meeting - May 21 This in-person meeting will be held at Governor's State University this year and we will be in attendance.
- f. Recovery Resource Center - Lasha - We've had several opportunities to increase collaboration with the county jail to work with individuals getting into treatment. Over the last few weeks, we have been able to get four people into treatment and had a successful completion of treatment by an individual who is staying in contact.

- g. SMART Recovery Meeting - Lasha - SMART Meetings are going well. We have had a couple new people show up. One individual had called the office after seeing our billboard asking about any meetings we offered and has been attending. Please share the word about this meeting being available.
- 7. Other - none.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 8:00 a.m., Metropolis City Hall