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San Juan Safe Communities Connection eNewsletter

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DIRECTORS CORNER

Hello Safe Communities members and friends,

Well, our [Spring Conference](#) is just around the corner, this weekend in fact, Friday, April 30th and Saturday, May 1st. We would like to have a great attendance count from the general public, so if you could make it a special point to pass along our schedule of events to your co-workers and friends, it would be greatly appreciated. This is our opportunity to share with the public at large what everyone affiliated with Safe Communities has been working on this past year.



The conference will be held in the all purpose room at the Farmington Public Library, and I would like to take a minute and thank Karen McPheeters, Flo Trujillo, David Florez and all the rest of the wonderful Library staff for providing the venue and helping us present this conference to you. Booths open at 3pm on Friday afternoon, with presentations on the hour on the center stage, both Friday and Saturday. The venue closes Friday evening at 9pm, and opens again Saturday morning at 8am, running through noon. There will really be a lot of information to share, so I would encourage everyone to invite someone to the event.

On Friday evening, beginning at 6pm, we will be celebrating the accomplishments of three very worthy persons as our "2010 Community Change Agents of the year". I hope all of our members and particularly our board can show up to thank these persons for all they have done this past year to help in our community

Our conference is but a part of the Youth and Community Summit, and is wrapped around several other community events that I would like to highlight, beginning with the El Dia de los Nino's tailgate party in the Library parking lot from 3pm to 5pm, Friday evening. An alcohol-free dance will be held at the Henderson Fine Arts building at San Juan College, sponsored by Enlace, between 7pm and 10pm that evening as well. The weekend will culminate in a very special New Mexico Youth Summit to be held at the Boy's and Girl's Club in Farmington, starting Saturday morning at 8am and ending with a youth-led round table discussion about what messages kids respond to. The Youth Summit will wrap up around 2pm. I want to thank everyone who has been a part of putting all these events on. We have all worked in lock step, and things seem to be coming together without much of a hitch.

Most of you know that we have all been celebrating **Alcohol Awareness** all this month, to raise awareness about its devastating effects on our youth. I would like to take a second to point out some of the connections between alcohol use and the abuse of other, harder illegal substances. First of all, alcohol is the premier "gateway" drug, which leads to other drug use. Alcohol is involved in more than 80 percent of all substance abuse in the country. Many people are under the influence of alcohol at the time they decide to use an illicit drug and many addicts who relapse back to street drugs do so after having consumed alcohol, although exact statistics have not been calculated. The reason for this behavior is that alcohol not only lowers inhibitions but also greatly reduces the ability to think rationally. So it stands to reason that if we can keep our young people from becoming involved with alcohol in the first place, we stand a much better chance of curbing illicit drug use in the long run.

Many of the articles in this month edition of our newsletter put a spotlight on alcohol awareness. We are also highlighting a couple of the drug use trends we see increasing, specifically the over-the-counter and prescription drug abuse.

We are previewing a couple of the important events we have coming up in May as well. May 6th is **Children's Mental Health Awareness Day**, and the week of May 9th through the 15th is National Police Week. We will be sending out separate emails to all our members as celebration events are scheduled.

As far as Safe Communities work goes, we have been very busy putting the Youth and Community Summit together, and much of our time has been consumed with further refining our strategies and putting some real definition to our Bridges plans. Please see the "Drill Down" section, later in this newsletter for more on those efforts, if you would, please. We continue to look for operational funding as well as funding for various projects, like the skate park at Sycamore Park.

One piece of not so good news that I would like to share is that we were not selected to receive Kelloggs's Everyday Democracy funding, so I am in the process of looking for other ways to fund that early childhood development project. This may entail a proposal for the pooling of local resources to go ahead and move forward with our plans.

I think this fairly well sums up what we have been doing, but if you have questions or comments about anything, please call our office at 505-599-1492 or by sending an email to info@sjsci.org.

Until next month, take care.

Dan D.

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Safe Communities Spotlight

New Mexico Youth and Community Summit

The conference will be held on Friday, April 30, 2010 beginning with El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day) Tailgate Party at the Farmington Public Library from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. During this time, San Juan Safe Communities Initiative will host booths for the community and the New Mexico Forum for Youth in Community will present a community dialog in the multi-purpose room for interested attendees during the Tailgate Party.

Events continue at 6 p.m. with a dinner snack and San Juan Safe Communities Initiative will be celebrating the accomplishments of three very worthy persons as our "2010 Community Change Agents of the year". Blended Zine will release the new issue at 7 p.m. at this event. The event concludes at 9 p.m. when youth are invited to attend the Rescue Cinco de Mayo from the alcohol industry campaign/dance hosted by ENLACE & San Juan College Associated Students from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. and to attend a swim/movie at the Aquatic Center from 10 p.m. until midnight!

On Saturday, May 1, 2010 the conference begins with registration and breakfast at the Boys & Girls Club of Farmington at 8 a.m. Breakout sessions begin at 9 a.m. designed for middle and high school students; public, private, and special focus, youth from state-wide organizations, and community members who are currently working and partnering with youth or who are interested in starting a project together. Participants will be admitted FREE but must register by

Capacity Building Training & Events

Every Monday

6-8pm
ECHO Financial Education
Sycamore Park Community Center,
1051 Sycamore Street, Farmington,
NM

Every Tuesday

9-10am
Grandparent Support Group
Sycamore Park Community Center,
1051 Sycamore St., Farmington, NM
For more information call
505-565-2480, 564-4460

Every Wednesday

5:30-7pm
Parent and Grandparent Support
Group
First Presbyterian Church, 865 N.
Dustin Farmington, NM
564-4460

Every other Thursday

May 6, 20, 2010
Professional Support Group
12-1pm.
March 18th - 6-7pm
2800 Hutton Avenue, Farmington NM
87402

Every Friday

RU Reformers Unamious
7pm - 9pm
Bible Baptist Church

Every Saturday

2-3pm
Parent/Caregiver Support Group
Farmington Civic Center, 200 W.
Arrington, Farmington NM 87401
505-860-5038

April 30-May 1, 2010

New Mexico Youth and Community
Summit
Farmington Public Library
Farmington Boys and Girls Club

May 1, 2010

Farmington Boys and Girls Club Annual
Award Ceremony and Banquet

April 15, 2010 [here](#). A youth panel discussion with a lunch will conclude the event by 2 p.m. Space will be limited to 300.

Everyone is responsible for their own transportation and accommodations.

UmattR Trading Card Program

There are still sponsorship opportunities available for the 2009-2010 uMattR Trading Card Program. Please email info@sjsoci.org

The teens will be present at the NM Youth and Community Summit April 30th and May 1.

We are also gearing up for [Kidfest](#) June 5th! Make sure to bring your UmattR cards for the teens to sign and to be entered for some great prizes!

Also, if you want the UmattR teens to come to your place of work or school, please email umattr@hotmail.com to schedule a date and time!

Pepsi Refresh Grant: ["Skate Into the Future"](#)

San Juan Safe Communities is supporting the construction of a skate park at Sycamore Park Community Center. This park is key to the Center's "Skate In To The Future" program and this idea is in the running for a Pepsi Refresh Grant. The "Skate In To The Future" program seamlessly combines nutrition education with exercise instruction and physical activity. In addition to building healthy habits, participants will learn about skateboarding and practice techniques in a closely supervised venue. The children, ages 10 to 18, also will have opportunities for character development. Overall, the program will

TBA

May 5, 2010

7-9pm

"Sin by Silence"

Totah Theater, Farmington

May 6, 2010

Children's Mental Health Awareness Day

May 11, 2010

3:30-4:30pm

Keep It Clean

Sycamore Park Community Center,
1051 Sycamore St., Farmington, NM

May 12, 2010

5-7pm

PUBLIC HEARING: COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 20010
ANNUAL ACTION

Farmington Civic Center

May 13, 2010

7-8pm

Drug Free San Juan County Meeting

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The Well, 309 W. Animas St.

Farmington, NM

May 15, 2010

8am-5pm

Volunteer Advocate Training

812 W. Maple, Farmington, NM

May 15, 2010

8-5pm

Homebuyer Education Class

Farmington Civic Center, Civic Center

Board Room

To register call 505-325-7466

The class is free

May 20th, 2010

9am-12pm

Dine' Ba Hozho Coalition / Drug Free

Communities Meeting

Contact Raymond Keeswood at

raykeeswood@yahoo.com

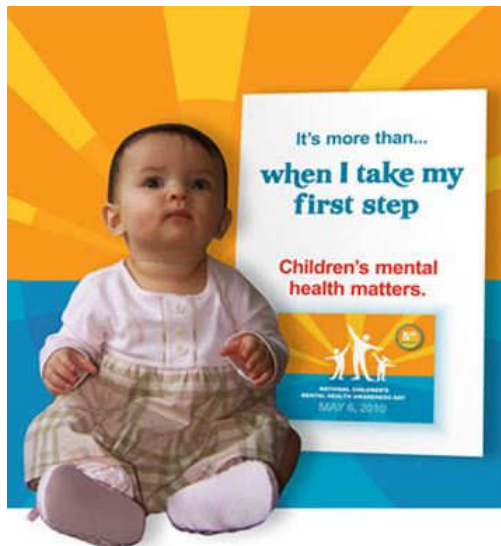
May 20, 2010

3:30-5pm

CHIC Meeting

support children in a safe, drug free environment. The Center could get \$25,000 to construct the park if our idea gets enough votes. The idea with the most votes every month get funding. The voting started April 1st, vote for up to 10 of your favorite ideas every day. So, vote often and help construct a skate park for children on Farmington's south side.

[Click Here to Vote!](#)



May 6th is Children's Mental Health Awareness Day. Research has found that core brain development, 85 percent of which occurs in the first three years of life, shows differences in brain structures and function based on the child's experiences in relationships with others and with their social context. *Shonkoff, J. & Phillips, D. A. (Eds.). (2000).

Local "Drill Down" Efforts

To look at our updated Community Engagement Framework model [click here](#).

Community Center Programming

Rehabilitation Hospital 525 South Schwartz Avenue Farmington, NM

May 22, 2010

8am-5pm
Volunteer Advocate Training
812 W. Maple, Farmington, NM

June 1-July 29, 2010

Boys and Girls Club Summer Program

June 5, 2010

8-5pm
Homebuyer Education Class
Farmington Civic Center, Civic Center Board Room
To register call 505-325-7466
The class is free

July 10, 2010

8-5pm
Homebuyer Education Class
Farmington Civic Center, Civic Center Board Room
To register call 505-325-7466
The class is free

PREVENTION

Prevention Committee activities

We are looking for anyone who might want to volunteer to sit on one of our various sub-committees to drill down and focus on specific issues in the following areas: Community Center Programming, Bridges Community Programming, Business Partnership Development, Data Utilization or the Epi Workgroup, Violence Prevention, Gang Prevention or Alcohol Program Development.

If you are interested in working on any of these areas, please email us at info@sjsci.org or call our office at 505-599-1492, or contact the Prevention Committee Chair, Pamela Drake at drakep@sjcpartnership.org.

Bridges Out of Poverty / Getting

Natalie and her staff continue to support the activities requested by the residents surrounding the center at Sycamore Park, and to see some of the things that are happening at the center, click on our [Newsletter Archive](#) and select the edition you would like to see.

Right now, our big push is to get a skate park built just to the south of the center. We have put in for several grants and should know if we received any funding fairly soon. The kids are putting together a fund drive at the center and we are in the running to receive a \$25,000 award from the Pepsi Company, if we can get enough people to vote for our project. To vote, and [click here](#). We need all the help we can get.

Building A Bridges Community

The **Bridges Subcommittee** continues to meet to discuss how the Bridges program will be implemented in our county. The group is currently attempting to build the community mentoring structure, a process which could take many months to actually develop. The Community Mentoring project is a part of our **Neighborhood Resource Development** effort, and is an attempt to develop adult mentors from every walk of life who would volunteer to provide tips and information that could help our **R-Rules and Getting Ahead** graduates find the resources they are lacking. They will also help provide access to experiences that will help the graduates grow and prosper in their "new" world.

We have 18 people who have gone through the **R-Rules Instructor training**, and our efforts are ongoing to develop a community awareness presentation, a one day workshop presentation, and a 12 week intervention course. We are hoping to have the first two presentations completed by our April meeting.

Ahead training schedule:

Local Instructor Training - TBA

Phil DeVol - Community Resource Development, Summer, 2010

Christians 'Just Pray No'

If you are struggling with an addiction and felt particularly uplifted last weekend, it could be because Christians worldwide were praying for your recovery.

The [Christian Post](#) reported April 10 that the 20th annual **"Just Pray NO!"** campaign urged believers to "put on the full armor of God and fervently pray in spirit and in truth" for the "release of those bound by substance abuse" as well as those addicted to pornography and gambling.

"Not only is substance abuse America's number one health problem, the devastation of alcoholism and other drug addiction has impacted families and communities worldwide," the organizers noted. "Substance abuse has been directly linked to violence and sexual immorality and is a major source of income for organized crime and terrorist activities."

Interesting comments on this article from JT Direct

Posted by Bill Godshall on 16 Apr 10 12:48 PM EDT

Does JT truly believe that praying can/will reduce excessive drug usage or any other public health problem? I'm not aware of any scientific or other objective evidence that praying accomplishes anything more than reinforce fears and delusions of the ignorant, and reinforce their submission to organized religion. While

Thirty one volunteers were recently trained as **Getting Ahead Instructors**, and this group continues to meet to develop a recruitment plan, an instructor training schedule and to finalize our community implementation method. We are breaking down the training into modules and over the next two months will be working with all those who will be instructing the classes to become comfortable enough with the material to be able to facilitate them.

Our **Business Partnership Development subcommittee**, also part of the **Neighborhood Resource Development** effort, is in the organizational process. Members of this group represent our veterans, the human resource field, Job Corps, the New Mexico One Stop and Workforce Solutions, as well as Help New Mexico and Goodwill. Their charge as a group is to work with local businesses to understand what obtaining a Bridges certificate means in terms of providing good candidates to fill their employment vacancies. They are also exploring how to connect those who are going through the R-Rules and Getting Ahead training with access to educational opportunities in areas the students found themselves to be lacking. A list of adult education topics already identified as important are: parenting, life skills, reading literacy, basic writing skills, financial literacy, GED, English as a second language, citizenship, soft employability skills, employment sector training, and access to San Juan College vocational and academic courses.

Our good friends Ros, Herman, and Ryan, at Echo, continue to help prepare people for home ownership by providing financial literacy training, home buyer education and help establishing IDA accounts. Housing is a major part of our **Neighborhood Resource Development** program, and

Marx's economic theories were absurd, he was spot on when saying "Religion is the opiate of the masses".

Posted by Tony on 18 Apr 10
01:46 PM EDT

I've recovered from the Drink Problem and other addictions because of God's grace and Prayer. I also must attend 12 step groups and continue to receive personal counseling. Please try prayer and 12 step affiliation and see what happens!

Posted by James on 19 Apr 10
11:19 AM EDT

It shur don't hurt nothin'! I think it's great a group of folks recognize the problem of substance abuse and its relationship with so many other problems in our society. We'll pray for you, too, Bill.

Posted by RC on 19 Apr 10
11:26 AM EDT

Ah, the scientific evidence card. Bill, do you have any evidence that prayer doesn't work? I'll pray for you to gain enlightenment. That is, if you don't mind it coming from one of the fearful and ignorant?

Resource To Help Decisionmakers Choose Cost-Effective Substance Abuse Prevention Programs

Communities can use cost-benefit analysis to help guide their decisions and develop better comprehensive prevention strategies based on their unique needs and characteristics.

Substance Abuse Prevention Dollars and Cents: A Cost-Benefit Analysis is a report designed to help policymakers and other stakeholders use the results of cost-benefit analysis as an information tool for decisionmaking

we will be working closely with those involved in the housing effort into the future.

Gang Intervention System

If you are interested in getting involved with our street gang efforts, please let me know and I will put you to work on our subcommittee. It has been a long time coming, and I have high hopes and expectations that we will be able to address the street gang problem.

The Meth Project News

SPRING 2010 METH PROJECT NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS

BARRON'S MAGAZINE RANKS METH PROJECT FIFTH AMONG TOP FOUNDATIONS WORLDWIDE

Barron's magazine recently ranked the Meth Project 5th among the most effective foundations worldwide for its innovative approach and broad impact.

BATMAN BEGINS, DARK KNIGHT CINEMATOGRAPHER DIRECTS WAVE 5 MEDIA CAMPAIGN

Wally Pfister, the three-time Academy Award-nominated cinematographer renowned for his work on The Dark Knight-the third-largest-grossing film in U.S. history-directed the television spots for the latest Meth Project media campaign.

GEORGIA EIGHTH STATE TO ADOPT METH PROJECT

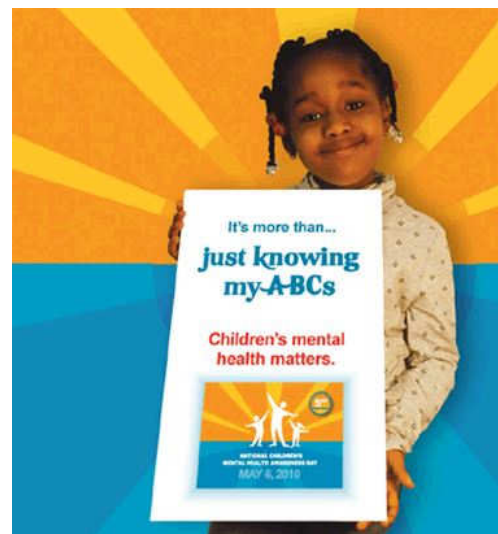
On March 8th, state leaders launched the Georgia Meth Project. Meth has rapidly become one of Georgia's most critical public health and law enforcement challenges and is estimated to cost the state \$1.3 billion.

IDAHO GOVERNOR LAUNCHES WAVE 3 MEDIA CAMPAIGN AT STATE CAPITOL

and for selecting the substance abuse prevention programs that address their needs, given available resources. For a free copy, click [Download Now](#) (904 KB)

Evidence Integration Initiative

OJP is continuing its systematic, agency-wide Evidence Integration Initiative, also known as E2I. E2I will help practitioners in the field better understand what practices and approaches have been shown to work, based on scientific principles. OJP also has outlined several additional objectives for E2I, including establishing common definitions of credible evidence across OJP programs; determining how to generate more useful evidence from the programs it funds; expanding efforts to launch randomized field experiments; synthesizing evidence on specific justice topics to develop principles for the field; and launching an evidence-based Web site and resource center to provide support to jurisdictions.



May 6th is Children's Mental Health Awareness Day. "Social and behavioral competence in young children predicts their academic

Idaho Meth Project volunteer Malori Peters joined Idaho Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter and First Lady Lori Otter at the newly renovated Idaho State Capitol building to premiere the latest Idaho Meth Project media campaign in January.

"NOT EVEN ONCE" WEEKS HELD ACROSS COLORADO

In an innovative partnership with the Colorado Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, the Colorado Meth Project has been leading workshops across the state to help children and teens understand the dangers of methamphetamine use.

PARADE BRINGS HAWAII THE GIFT OF AWARENESS

Hawaii Meth Project volunteers including adults and young people participated in the Kailua-Kona Christmas parade in December 2009-the largest annual parade on the Big Island.

WYOMING HOSTS ANNUAL METH CONFERENCE

Clinicians, members of law enforcement, educators, health care providers, and other professionals convened in Casper for the 7th Annual Wyoming Methamphetamine Substance Abuse Conference, co-organized by the Wyoming Meth Project.

ARIZONA ATTORNEY GENERAL AND STUDENTS LAUNCH 2010 CAMPAIGN

Winners of the 2010 Meth Not Even Once student poster contest joined Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard to launch the Arizona Meth Project's 2010 media campaign at a special assembly at Capitol School in Phoenix.

Idaho Meth Project Launches Paint the State Contest

performance in the first grade over and above their cognitive skills and family backgrounds." *Raver, C.C. & Knitzer J. (2002).

NEWS & PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Senate Judiciary Committee Approves Drug Free Communities Enhancement Act of 2010

On April 15, the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee approved the Drug Free Communities Enhancement Act of 2010 (S. 3031). The legislation authorizes the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to make grants of up to \$75,000 for projects lasting up to four years that implement community-wide strategies to address emerging local drug issues or crises. To qualify, an entity must utilize local data to demonstrate that the rates of use and abuse for the targeted drug or drugs are higher in the community than the national average. The bill now goes before the full U.S. Senate

Deputy Director of ONDCP to Resign

On April 16, the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) announced that Deputy Director A. Thomas McLellan will resign in July. Officials say he did not have substantive policy disagreements with the Obama Administration, and Dr. McLellan said that he is simply "ill-suited to government work." Dr. McLellan will remain with the ONDCP through July to assist in the implementation of the forthcoming National Drug Control Strategy

State Leaders Kick Off Public Art Contest and Highlight Recent Progress in the Fight Against Meth

MERIDIAN, ID-April 19, 2010

Lieutenant Governor Brad Little joined community leaders, elected officials, the Idaho Meth Project, and hundreds of high school students in Meridian to launch Paint the State-a statewide public art contest that will leverage the creativity and passion of Idaho's young people to communicate the risks of methamphetamine use. Also at the event, Idaho Meth Project Executive Director Megan Ronk highlighted data from the 2009 Idaho Youth Risk Behavior Survey, collected by the Idaho State Department of Education, which shows that Meth use among teens dropped by 52% in the two years since the Idaho Meth Project launched.

[Read More](#)



Why, Why, Why???

Why is 'abbreviated' such a long word???

Why is it that doctors call what they do 'practice'???

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker???

Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour???

Intervention/Treatment

We are looking for anyone who might want to volunteer to sit on one of our various sub-committees to drill down and focus on specific issues in the following Intervention/Treatment areas: Intervention Program Development, Treatment Program Development, Supportive Housing Initiative, or Street Gang Intervention

Clinton Accepts U.S. Blame for Mexican Drug Crisis, Says Strategy Failing

American demand for illicit drugs is partly to blame for drug-related violence in Mexico, according to U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, who called for changes in antidrug strategy, the [Washington Post](#) reported March 26.

"Clearly what we've been doing has not worked," Clinton said at the start of this week's visit to Mexico. "Our insatiable demand for illegal drugs fuels the drug trade. Our inability to prevent weapons from being illegally smuggled across the border to arm these criminals causes the deaths of police, of soldiers and civilians."

Government officials in South and Central America have long demanded that the U.S. accept responsibility for the role that demand plays in fostering drug production, trafficking, and related violence. The Obama administration has taken several [highly visible steps](#) in recent weeks to bolster Mexico in its bloody fight against drug cartels, including adding new enforcement personnel at the border and pledging to fund helicopters to aid Mexico's police.

Clinton's remarks seemed to contradict recent reports of success in drug interdiction, including higher street prices for cocaine, decreased purity, and reported of more drug seizures. "Neither interdiction [of drugs] nor reducing demand have been successful," she said.

Prison Drug Treatment Programs Falling to Budget Axe

Budget crises are leading prisons nationwide to eliminate addiction treatment programs, according to the

System Development.

If you are interested in working in any of these areas, please email us at info@sjsci.org or call our office at 505-599-1492, or contact the Intervention Committee Chair, Rob Mitchell at rmitchell@sjcounty.net.

Myth: Substance abuse affects only a small number of people in the United States.

Fact: Substance abuse affects all Americans. An estimated 22 million people in the United States struggle with a drug or alcohol problem, and more than 125 million know someone with a substance abuse problem. If untreated, the disease can destroy individuals and families, damaging the fabric of entire communities. And every one of us bears the economic costs. In 2002, drug abuse resulted in \$16 billion in healthcare costs, \$108 billion in crime-related costs, and nearly \$130 billion in lost productivity.

The City of Gardena, California joins Sheriff Baca's 'Safe Drug Drop Off' Project



The City of Gardena's Mayor Paul Tanaka, Mayor Pro-Tem Dan Medina and Police Chief Ed Modrano along with El Segundo's Mayor and Council member Margaret Estrada from Lomita, unveiled their new mail-box to drop off

Association of State Correctional Administrators (ASCA) and other experts.

The [Associated Press](#) reported April 15 that Texas, Kansas, Iowa and Pennsylvania are among the states where prison treatment programs have been gutted or lawmakers are proposing to do so. A major budget crisis in California also has resulted in big cutbacks in prison treatment there. Prison experts called the cuts shortsighted and likely to lead to increases in crime and recidivism. "When inmates are busy, they're not getting into bad things," said Bob May, associated director of ASCA. "Programming is good and helps build responsibility and accountability." In Texas, treatment supporters are using the case of a repeat drunk driver -- who killed a woman in a car crash after being released from prison without getting addiction counseling -- to argue against a plan to cut \$23 million from the prison treatment budget. "People say, 'How can you afford to (fund) this?'" said Texas Sen. John Whitmire, chair of the state Senate's criminal justice committee. "My comeback is, 'How can you afford not to?'"

Even before the latest cuts, only about 11 percent of inmates who needed addiction treatment received services, studies have shown.

Most dangerous states: Crime rankings for 2010

The results of CQ Press's annual State Crime Rankings are in and, for some states, the results aren't pretty. For nearly two decades, these rankings have shown how the 50 states compare against the national average for six crimes: murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary and motor vehicle theft.

drugs, which will be destroyed by the Sheriff's Dept.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dan Medina, Police Chief Modrano and his officers worked diligently to put this project together to help their community safely dispose of toxic prescription and illegal drugs. People are getting rid of unused drugs by flushing them down toilets or down the sink and these chemicals end up in the water system. This project will contribute to safe California waterways free from contaminants reaching the public through the water system and out of the hands of unsuspecting youth who may think these prescription drugs are a safe way to get "high". Mayor Tanaka asked the public to make sure when dropping off their prescription drugs that they are in the original container with the original label. When dropping off illegal drugs, please have the package marked with the name of the drug. Needles cannot be dropped off at the City of Gardena location.

Read complete article [here](#).

Community Pharmacists Launch Initiative to Help Dispose of Unused Meds

Nearly 800 community pharmacies in 40 states are making it easier than ever for consumers to safely dispose of unused patient medications at their local pharmacy through a new initiative spearheaded by the National Community Pharmacists Association and Sharps Compliance, Inc.

Read complete article [here](#).

Community Coalition News

Sexual Assault Services of North West New Mexico is **RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS** to be Advocates for Sexual Assault Victims

According to CQ Press, the six categories are compared to the national reported crime rates and then indexed (with each of the crimes carrying equal weight) to create a summary score and ranking. Larceny-theft, which accounts for 59% of all reported crimes in America, is not included as part of this report because the FBI and other criminologists concluded in 2004 that this was no longer a true indicator of crime.

Crime Rate Rankings (out of 50 states - 1 = Worst, 50 = Best)

No. 2: NEW MEXICO
 Assault: 5
 Burglary: 3
 Murder: 6
 Motor Vehicle Theft: 7
 Rape: 2
 Robery: 23

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SUCCESS STORIES

Success Stories - Life after Meth From [drugfree.org](#)



Mike Matt
 Moorsville, IN
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The Email That Saved my Life

I once spent hours searching through the hard drive of my computer and all of my paperwork for an email

Learn how to help Survivors find the path to healing, by providing support before, during and after the SANE exam. (Sexual Assault Nurse Examination)

FREE 4 Day Training ~ (Lunch Provided)

2 Consecutive Weekends Required:
May 15,16 & 22,23 (Sat & Sun)
8:00 am to 5:00 pm

TO REGISTER CALL: LEAH
505-325-2805

Training covers the psychosocial, emotional, medical and legal aspects of sexual assault, the dynamics of violence against women and related issues. The 40-hour training course prepares volunteers to provide crisis intervention and advocacy services to survivors of sexual assault and their significant others.

Some things stay consistent...

Laura McClenny, San Juan County Partnership

Fashions come and go, yo-yo's come in and out of vogue, along with bell bottoms, peasant tops and skinny ties. However, some things are meant to last, and to be consistent. A&W has been in Aztec since the 1950's, and although the location has changed, the frosty root beer floats have not. According to the owner, Thomas Knepp, root beer floats and Papa Burgers still hold the top slots for sales. As summer rolls in, it is also important to remember that A&W is a great place to see friends. Spending most of his life in Aztec, Mr. Knepp couldn't help but acknowledge that he and other friends, despite the challenges of a small town, believe the positive atmosphere in Aztec is great for raising kids.

from my mom. The email that saved my life. It was a short, polite note asking me to not call, stop by, or involve her or my family in my life anymore.

She died on June 16, 2005. It was - and has been - the worst experience of my life; but not the hardest. My name is Mike and my sobriety date is February 26, 2000. I have worked and continue to work the Twelve Steps.

I checked myself into rehab on my 30th birthday, thinking it would be a chance to clean up my act. I thought I would try this "sober" thing and ONLY get high on vacations or holidays. You know, special occasions.

At the time, I was using crystal meth daily - a \$1000 a week habit. What had started as a fun escape, ended up altering my life forever. I had broken all the nevers:

*I'll never buy it and only do it if someone offers it to me.
I'll never use it two nights in a row.
I'll never use it on a weekday.
I'll never use it at work.
I'll never be a dealer.*

In just three months, I had gone from doing a bump on the weekend to being a daily user. I had quit my job and graduate school.

That's when my mom sent me the email. It was so significant because, until I received it, there hadn't been any consequences to my drug use - none that actually had an impact. Her email made me realize that I had nothing of any value left. So I figured I'd go to rehab.

Read my complete story [here](#).

Humor

Most Of Us ®, a drug and alcohol prevention program, sponsored by San Juan County Partnership, also hears about the challenges of small town living. Young people often feel like there is not enough to do, and the glimmer of a larger city seems tempting, probably more so in summer. There are many ways to shine in the summer, but youth with extra time and less structure need the community more than ever. In addition to sponsoring sports teams and rodeos, A&W has filled a special place at the county fair each year. Their annual donation is especially earmarked for kids with livestock that do not make it to a final sale. So, when efforts don't pay off in winning a top slot, sponsors ensure that young people may still feel supported. True leaders in the community find a way to recognize the youth that may fly a bit under the radar, but still need our kindness and encouragement.

Youth in Aztec make good decisions most of the time, and management at A&W believe they have seen manners and general behavior improve over the last few years. Employing from eight to ten kids every year, A&W supports the Aztec community in many ways: a great gathering spot, a contributor to sports teams, rodeo and the county fair and one more - Project Graduation. On May 21st Parents of graduating seniors, in collaboration with Williams Field Service and Drug Free San Juan will offer a safe and fun "big night" for seniors. If this year turns out as others, 250 to 300 teens and parents will celebrate together at the Boys and Girls Club in Aztec. To join A&W and many others in tax-deductible contributions contact:

Park Ave. Elementary att: Becky Long,
507 S. Park Ave, Aztec NM 87410.

Congratulations to all graduating seniors, at both Aztec High and Vista Nueva.



FAMILY WELLNESS, PARENTING, AND MENTORING

Celebration Season: Preventing Substance Abuse During Prom and Graduation Season

High school prom and graduation are important milestones in a young person's life, and the season is often marked with parties, outings, and other celebrations. During this time, teens may feel more pressure to celebrate by partying with illicit drugs, alcohol, or even prescription (Rx) drugs.

In fact, from 2008 to 2009, the percent of teens who say their "friends usually get high at parties" increased from 69 percent to 75 percent.[1] Further, studies show that 56 percent of teens believe Rx drugs are easier to get than illegal drugs,[2] and more than half (55.9%) of people who use Rx drugs nonmedically say they got the drugs from a friend or relative for free.[3]

It's up to parents, teachers, and the local community to help teens celebrate these occasions in a fun and safe manner.

Research and Resources

BJS Launches Redesigned Website

The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) website has been redesigned and is now available at:

<http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov>. Many new features and tools have been added, and the site's content has been completely reorganized to allow users to quickly find the information they're seeking. New features include enhanced search capabilities, prominent placement of new products and announcements on the homepage, RSS feeds, and more. Tutorials are available to help users become familiar with the new site and its features.

New Club Drug Endangers Lives

Mephedrone sought to be banned in the UK and the United States should follow suit

Underground drug cultures worldwide have continued to find, develop and market new designer drugs to clubgoers and the latest drug, mephedrone, has recently been linked to hospitalizations and even death in some countries.

Mephedrone is commonly known as "bubble", "drone", "meow meow" or "legal high". It is imported mainly from China and sold as a plant fertilizer online, according to British police. The drug is reportedly already illegal in some nations, and British authorities are seeking to have it banned in the UK, where it has become increasingly prevalent in recent months. Use of the drug can result in severe nose bleeds, nose burns, hallucinations, blood circulation problems, rashes, anxiety and paranoia, fits and delusions.

It is a synthetic stimulant and has psychoactive properties similar to

To help prevent teens from turning to prescription drugs and over-the-counter medications as part of their celebrations, the Campaign is offering a new "Teen Prescription Drug Abuse Video Discussion Guide" to accompany the "Teens in Treatment" video. The guide serves as an aid for communities to host discussions with teens and share tips with parents. Both of these resources are available online [here](#).

Tips for Parents

By following a few simple tips, parents in your community can help keep their teens safe during prom and graduation celebrations:
Set clear rules about no drug and alcohol use, establish consequences, and reinforce expectations.
Provide safe and fun alternatives such as chaperoned alcohol and drug-free after prom and graduation parties.
Be aware and ask questions; know who they will be with, where they will be, and at what times.

Be a good role model.

At this time of year, parents need to be aware of what their teens are doing and talk to them about the dangers of drugs and alcohol, the consequences of using, and the risks to their future. Bad choices, like using drugs or alcohol, could change their lives forever.

Go check out the "Parent Toolkit" from www.drugfree.org

What You'll Find Inside we know you are going to find helpful

Your Child: Advice By Age

ecstasy (MDMA). Mephedrone can come in the form of capsules, tablets or white powder that users may swallow, snort or inject. In 2009 it became the fourth most popular street drug in the UK behind marijuana, cocaine and ecstasy...

Reformulated, 'Abuse Resistant' OxyContin Approved by FDA

A new slow-release version of the powerful opiate painkiller OxyContin has been approved by the [U.S. Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](#).

The new formulation is designed to prevent the time-released pills from being cut, broken, crushed or dissolved by users looking to get high on the drug. FDA officials described the change to the drug formula as incremental and acknowledged that it will not be foolproof.

"The new formulation may be an improvement that may result in less risk of overdose due to tampering, and will likely result in less abuse by snorting or injection; but it still can be abused or misused by simply ingesting larger doses than are recommended," the agency noted.

The FDA will require OxyContin maker [Purdue Pharma](#) to conduct a followup study to determine whether the new formula is effective in reducing misuse of the drug.

National Prescription Drug Threat Assessment 2009

This resource from the National Drug Intelligence Center analyzes current nonmedical use of prescription-type psychotherapeutic drugs (opioid pain relievers,

Help guide your child toward a healthy life - at every age. Whether your child is toddling through the preschool years, is facing the challenges of middle school, or is moving into his first post-high school apartment or dorm, we have tips from experts to help you help him be safe & happy! [Read More](#)

Understanding Teens

Parenting a teen serves up an amazing range of challenges and rewards. Step inside to learn why teens do what they do - and how you can help them navigate these often confusing years. [Read More](#)

Connecting With Your Kids

Once your child hits the teen years, it's time to re-invent your relationship. Find out how you can create or maintain a strong bond with your teen. [Read More](#)

Protecting Your Kids

No matter your child's age, she needs you to be her biggest protector (even when she fights against it). Get the inside scoop on top tools - from monitoring to setting rules - you can use to keep your kid safe. [Read More](#)

How To Spot Drug & Alcohol Use

Put your eyes, ears, and voice to work to keep your child safe and free of drugs and alcohol. Find out the warning signs of use and why you shouldn't feel guilty about snooping. [Read More](#)

How To Help If They're Using

If your child is using drugs or alcohol, take action today and read expert advice here will help you get started. [Read More](#)

For more information, please visit our

tranquilizers, sedatives, or stimulants) and discusses their distribution, the societal impact of controlled prescription drugs diversion and abuse, and Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs) that have been established legislatively in many states to stem CPD diversion and abuse. Download the [PDF](#) or read the [Drug Threat Assessment](#) online.

New Research Finds Link Between Drug Abuse and Obesity

Some of the same brain mechanisms that fuel drug addiction in humans accompany the emergence of compulsive eating behaviors and the development of obesity in animals, according to research funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, a component of the National Institutes of Health.

[Read more](#)

NDIC NDTA Estimates Drug Abuse Costs U.S. \$215 Billion Annually

The U.S. Department of Justice's (DOJ) National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC) released the 2010 National Drug Threat Assessment (NDTA), highlighting trends in production, transportation, distribution, and abuse of drugs. In addition, the NDTA estimates the economic cost of drug abuse at \$215 billion annually.

YOUTH ISSUES

Youth's Needs and Services: Findings from the Survey of Youth in Residential Placement

OJJDP Survey of Youth in Residential Placement Series, Bulletin, 12 page(s)

partners at: www.drugfree.org

Resource Offers Tools To Strengthen Families

["Strengthening Families and Communities: 2010 Resource Guide"](#) is a helpful resource for providers who serve families. The guide is published by the Department of Health and Human Services; it includes information about protective factors that reduce the risk of child maltreatment and strategies that enhance community support for families through evidence-based practices. (OJJDP)

Underage Drinking Computer Game

A new computer game provides conversation starters for parents and children.

[Click here to play.](#)

Humor

The math teacher saw that little Johnny wasn't paying attention in class. She called on him and said, "Johnny! What are 2 and 4 and 28 and 44?"

Little Johnny quickly replied, "NBC, FOX, ESPN and the Cartoon Network!"



GRANT WRITING

Presents findings from the Survey of Youth in Residential Placement (SYRP) on how facilities have addressed youth's needs, what services youth receive, and where these services could be improved. SYRP is the first comprehensive national survey to gather information about youth in custody by surveying the detained offenders. Findings show that youth have substantive needs in the four areas examined-mental health, substance abuse, health care, and education.

[Read More](#)

Suicide Is the Third Leading Cause of Death Among 15- to 24-Year-Olds

SAMHSA, along with the Ad Council and the Inspire USA Foundation, today launched a new Teen Suicide Prevention national public service campaign, the first teen suicide prevention effort from SAMHSA to utilize a national mass media strategy, as well as a robust digital outreach program.

The public service announcement (PSA) campaign-We Can Help Us-was developed out of the acquired insight that, although many teens encounter the same tough times, many also develop positive solutions to help overcome them. The campaign empowers teens by reminding them that there are ways to get through whatever problems they face and directs them to visit reachout.com to hear stories from others who successfully conquered their tough times.

We hope your organization can help extend the campaign's reach to youth who may be at risk and amplify these potentially lifesaving messages.

For full list of grant resources, go to:

[San Juan Safe Communities Grant Funding](#)

[San Juan Safe Communities Grant Writing](#)

[SAMHSA Funding Opportunities](#)

A New Tool for Grant Applicants: Grants 101

[OJP Grants 101](#), a step-by-step tutorial on the grant process, is now available. Designed to help prospective grantees prepare more effective applications, [OJP Grants 101](#) provides vital information for professionals in the field.

The result of feedback from applicants from across the criminal and juvenile justice fields, OJP Grants 101 clearly and concisely explains every step in the grant application process. An overview of the OJP grant process for both competitive and noncompetitive programs is included in this new resource. A description of the application review process is also provided. Expert tips will help applicants find new funding opportunities and write strong proposals.

Click [here](#) to use this new tool.

Funding Opportunities

OJP's Web site, www.ojp.gov, includes a complete listing of all open solicitations. Just click on [Funding](#) at the top of the site to review all funding opportunities. Don't forget to check the Web site regularly for updates.

To view the PSAs, the press release, and more details about how your organization can help support the campaign, please view the National Suicide Prevention Campaign for Teens [Multimedia News Release](#). You can also visit [SAMHSA's Web site](#) or the [Ad Council Web site](#) to learn more.

[How You Can Support the Campaign](#)

Researchers Warn About Dangers of Synthetic Marijuana

Imagine spraying dry herbs with unknown chemicals and then smoking them? That's what some youth are doing to get high from what is known on the streets as "spice" or "K2," a synthetic marijuana product sold at convenience stores and smoke shops. However, instead of the typical marijuana-like effects, many youth are turning up in Emergency Rooms with rapid heart rates, elevated blood pressure, severe agitation, anxiety and vomiting.

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City Teens Following Path to Heroin, Death

Albuquerque Journal (NM) - Tuesday, April 20, 2010

For those who think heroin is the drug only of society's biggest losers - aimless, jobless, nasty, skinny people in long-sleeve shirts who would even break into the homes of relatives to get money to feed this expensive habit - don't feel so smug.

Its users may include the well-groomed, nice-looking teen you see cruising home from school in your upper-middle-class neighborhood. In

Assistance Available for Tribal Communities

Application deadline: May 18, 2010
The [Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Training and Technical Assistance Program](#) provides funding and technical assistance to federally recognized tribal governments to plan, implement, or enhance tribal justice strategies to address crime issues related to alcohol and substance abuse. (BJA)

Encouraging Innovation in the Criminal Justice System

Application deadline: May 18, 2010
The [Encouraging Innovation: Field-Initiated Programs](#) grant seeks to identify, define, and address emerging or chronic systemic issues within the criminal justice system. BJA is seeking proposals that demonstrate innovation in justice, address a demonstrated gap in areas within the justice system or in the knowledge base of justice system practitioners and/or policymakers, and allow for replication nationwide. (BJA)

Funding Available for Tribal Mentoring

Application deadline: May 17, 2010
The [Tribal Youth National Mentoring Program](#) supports the development, maturation, and expansion of community programs that provide mentoring services to populations of underserved tribal youth who live on reservations of federally recognized tribes. (OJJDP)

Grant Provides Training to Law Enforcement

Application deadline: May 18, 2010
The goal of the [Project Safe Neighborhoods National Training and Technical Assistance Program](#) is to provide assistance to

The Sunday Journal, reporters Jeff Proctor and Hailey Heinz told the startling story of the growing abuse of heroin among Albuquerque teens. It's an all-over-town problem.

Marijuana is often said to be a gateway drug that leads to heroin, and it may be in many cases. But in descriptions of the paths that led to the sad deaths of two local youths, it was a different source: prescription drugs.

<Break here>

"They get hooked on the pills, which are opioids like heroin, and those are very expensive," said Edward Knoth of the local Drug Enforcement Administration office. "So a lot of kids go on to heroin, which is a lot cheaper and very much available."

True, a teen's addiction starts with that youngster's decision to get high. True, sometimes a parent doesn't learn the true nature of their kid's friends until it's too late. True, there are warning signs a kid is abusing drugs. But it's not the parents' or anyone else's fault when a child makes an irreversible mistake.

That doesn't make the loss less painful.

Parents take notice. How well do you keep track of your prescriptions? Are they easily accessible? How's your kid really doing?

Heroin Stalks City Teens

Increase in Overdoses Spotted at Affluent Schools
Sunday, April 18, 2010 / Story by Jeff Proctor Of the Journal

Steve Paternoster watched his 16-year-old daughter, Haley, fight for her last few breaths in a hospital emergency room. In the end, the heroin won.

state and local law enforcement and communities to improve the level of knowledge, communication, collaboration, and tactics involved in addressing violent crime and violent offenders that impact communities throughout the nation. (BJA)

Suppression

We are looking for members who might want to volunteer to sit on one of our various sub-committees to drill down and focus on specific issues in the following suppression areas: Street Gang Intervention System Development (there is a Suppression component in it), and taking a look at new policing strategies in context of the "drill down" approach.

If you are interested in working on any of these areas, please email us at info@sjsci.org or call our office at 505-599-1492, or contact the Suppression Committee Chair, Sheriff, Mark McCloskey at mccloskeym@sjcounty.net.

Police Week

During National Police Week, May 9-15, 2010, our nation will honor law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty. For more information, please visit www.nleomf.org.

Death Toll from Mexican Drug War Exceeds Prior Reports

Recent reports based on confidential government data indicate that deaths resulting from the Mexican government's three-year attack against drug cartels far exceed previously cited estimates. The death toll from the soaring violence exceeds

Craig Weatherfield got a knock on his door and stood quietly as a police chaplain and three other officers told him what he had known the moment he saw their faces and uniforms: that his 20-year-old son, Nathan, had lost his battle with heroin.

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Teens on Heroin 'Troubling Trend' - Evidence shows opiate use among youths increasing across state

Albuquerque Journal (NM) - Tuesday, April 27, 2010

By Jeff Proctor Journal Staff Writer

An Albuquerque emergency room doctor says he has watched the number of young people overdosing on heroin steadily climb during the past several years.

And the state Department of Health has become increasingly aware of what the department's drug epidemiologist Nina Shah calls a "troubling trend": young people getting hooked on prescription opiates and moving on to heroin.

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Street Gangs

Fact Sheet Provides Data From 2008 National Youth Gang Survey

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) has released ["Highlights of the 2008 National Youth Gang Survey."](#) The fact sheet draws on findings from OJJDP's annual National Youth Gang Survey to provide data on gangs, gang members, and gang-related crime and violence. In 2008, approximately 774,000 gang members and 27,900

22,000, well more than the figure of approximately 18,000 often used by Mexican media, the [Los Angeles Times](#) reported April 14.

The Mexican newspaper Reforma published the higher number of deaths and said it was based on a confidential file that Mexican security officials had shared with federal senators at a hearing. The nation's Interior Ministry has indicated plans to release the updated statistics formally to the public.

While Mexican President Felipe Calderon's crackdown on drug cartels since he took office in late 2006 has taken down some major drug figures, it has not stemmed violence in many parts of the country, including the ravaged Chihuahua region. 2009 marked the deadliest year in Calderon's drug-fighting campaign, with nearly 9,000 deaths. Nearly one-third of that number have died so far this year.

The president's effort has deployed more than 48,000 soldiers and several thousand federal police to fight drug activity along the U.S. border and in other areas. Most of the violence that has been reported involves fighting between rival drug trafficking organizations.

Violent Drug Trafficker Arrested in Mexico

The Mexican government announced in January it had captured Eduardo Teodoro "El Teo" Garcia Simental, one of the world's most violent and brutal drug traffickers. Simental is under indictment in Mexico on five counts, including drug trafficking, racketeering, and homicide. He also could face other charges in the United States.

gangs were active in some 3,300 jurisdictions across the United States, estimates that remain virtually unchanged from [2007](#).

Resources: "Highlights of the 2008 National Youth Gang Survey" (NCJ 229249) is available [here](#). Print copies may be ordered online [here](#).

To access additional gang-related information and resources, visit the National Gang Center's Web site at www.nationalgangcenter.gov/.

Mexico, a "Failed State?"

April 6, 2010

By George Friedman (Editor of Stratfor Intelligence)

STRATFOR argued March 13, 2008, that Mexico was [nearing the status of a failed state](#). A failed state is one in which the central government has lost control over significant areas of the country and the state is unable to function. In revisiting this issue, it seems to us that the Mexican government has [lost control of the northern tier of Mexico to drug-smuggling organizations](#), which have significantly greater power in that region than government forces. Moreover, the ability of the central government to assert its will against these organizations has weakened to the point that decisions made by the state against the cartels are not being implemented or are being implemented in a way that would guarantee failure.

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<http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov> : Bureau of Justice Statistics:

Related Resources

<http://www.samhsa.gov/treatment/> - Samhsa Website to "Find Treatment"

www.rxotcawarenessmonth.com - Prescription Drug Awareness website

<http://www.samhsa.gov/treatment/> - Samhsa Website to "Find Treatment"

www.rxotcawarenessmonth.com - Prescription Drug Awareness website

www.sjcbbridges.org - St. Joseph's Bridges Out of Poverty

<http://www.samhsa.gov/treatment/> - SAMSA Website to "Find Treatment"

www.rxotcawarenessmonth.com - Prescription Drug Awareness Site

[Expand Your Universe - Mentor a Child](#)

[MENTOR, The National Mentoring Partnership](#)

[National Mentoring Center](#)

[Stalking Resource Center](#)

[Working Together to End the Violence: Stalking](#)

<http://www.datehookup.com/content-violence-in-dating.htm>

www.checkyourself.com (A place for teens to check out where they are with drugs and alcohol.)

www.drugfree.org/meth360

www.drugfree.org/parents360

www.drugfree.org/wrecked

[ONDCP National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign](#)

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) announces the availability of ["OJJDP News @ a Glance," May/June 2009](#)

<http://www.recoverymonth.gov> - Recovery Month Events (from CADCA)

<http://teacherpathfinder.org/Parent/drparent.html> - Parenting Resources

<http://www.crystalrecovery.com/>

[National Criminal Justice Reference Service \(US DOJ\)](#)

www.narconon.org

[Harvard Mentoring Project](#)

[Teachers Magazine](#)

[Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration](#)

[Parents The Anti-Drug](#)

[Drug Free America Foundation, Inc.](#)

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[The Meth Project](#)

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[The Office of National Drug Control Policy](#)

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