

# MOHAVE SUBSTANCE, EDUCATION, TREATMENT & PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP

## MSTEPP NEWSLETTER



### WELCOME!

Our newsletter strives to provide information on coalition activities and future events as well as provide information and resources to members.

### 2024 Community Survey



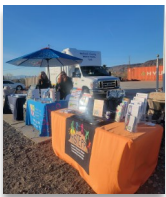
### Happy New Year!

MSTEPP provided Fentanyl and Naloxone training to the staff of the Jerry Ambrose Veterans Council staff on January 17th. Thirteen staff members were trained and provided with 24 Naloxone kits

### Overdose Fatality Review

The Mohave County Overdose Review team held their last meeting regarding 2022 deaths on February 6th. The final report will be completed by May of 2024 and the review of the 2023 deaths will begin shortly thereafter.

### January Street Team-Yucca



MSTEPP was one of 17 organizations that attended the Street Team Outreach in Yucca on January 18th. Eleven people stopped by our booth during the event.

### CADCA National Forum

Staff from MSTEPP attended the CADCA National Forum in



Washington DC the week of January 29th to February 1st. The forum provides a variety of trainings related to substance use and strengthening coalitions. The annual event also provides valuable networking to learn from organizations across the nation.

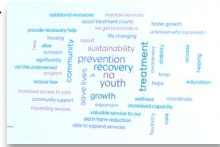
### SACLAZ Happenings



The Substance Awareness Coalition Leaders of Arizona (SACLAZ) spent the months of December and January reviewing and updating all of our training sessions and handout materials. MSTEPP staff served on several committees to ensure our materials are updated and current for our events and trainings. All toolkit materials are available and free for public use at <https://saclaz.org/toolkit/>.

### Community Resource Meeting Regarding Opioid Settlement Funds

MSTEPP was one of many Mohave County organizations that were invited to participate in a review and planning session on February 6th. The meeting was hosted by the Mohave County Department of Public Health and allowed for input on proceeding with



allocation of future program funding with opioid settlement funds.

### 2024 Community Survey

Two very important surveys were distributed the beginning of February. The first survey is one conducted by SACLAZ to gauge needs statewide. The second survey is part of the Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the Mohave County Health Department and Kingman Regional Medical Center. The survey provides an in depth review of current services offered and highlights gaps and needs. MSTEPP plays a significant role in addressing the substance use issues identified in the survey.



### Stronger Together Training

Staff attended the 2024 Stronger Together training held on February 15th at the Arizona HIDTA training center in Chandler. The training provides updated data and materials for coalitions throughout the



# OTHER COALITION ACTIVITY & COLABORATION

(U//LES) Fentanyl Pills Seized Per Fiscal Year

	Texas	New Mexico	California	Arizona	Southwest Border Region
2018	2,054	129	48,245	154,629	295,007
2019	22,836	4,757	202,442	709,505	939,640
2020	24,369	15,262	893,078	2,428,094	3,360,803
2021	36,103	90,087	1,539,064	4,712,821	6,378,075
2022	249,288	2,810,936	18,963,798	35,886,262	61,409,784

Source: IOP, NIS as of February 28, 2023

state. The most alarming update

was the announcement of over 100 million fentanyl pills seized by law enforcement over 2023 in just the State of Arizona.

## February Street Team—Wikieup

MSTEPP was one of 15 community organizations that participated in the February Street Team event in Wikieup on February 20th. While only nineteen people stopped by the booth, we considered the event a success based upon the small population in the community. In addition to printed material we were able to provide 5 locking medication bags, 5 locking pill bottles and 16 Deterra bags to the group.



## Fresh Start—Resource Fair

**Fresh Start Hiring & Resource Event**  
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ALL THESE GREAT RESOURCES TO FIND A JOB TODAY!

Wednesday April 3, 2024  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Gary Keith Civic Center Park  
2364 Highway 95 Bullhead City, AZ 86442  
For More Information (928) 753-0723

ARIZONA WORK

MSTEPP participated in 2 planning session meetings with organizations from across the county over the month of February. The large scale event will be held on April 3rd in Bullhead City and will focus on providing services to homeless individuals and others that may experience health care disparities.

## Walk Away from Drugs

The initial planning meeting for the 18th Annual Walk Away from Drugs was held on February 19th.

MSTEPP is an active partner in the event which is viewed by the state officials as the longest running and largest prevention event in the State of Arizona.



## Reaching Rural Initiatives

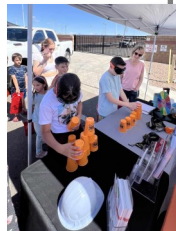
In 2023 MSTEPP hosted two separate groups of individuals from across the country that were interested in the programming we have implemented in the region. They were brought to Kingman by the Department of Justice—Reaching Rural Initiatives. Kingman received high reviews from the participants and as a result, the initiative has asked to bring another group of Reaching Rural grant recipients to Kingman. Plans are underway for the approximately 25 participants to see and learn about the various programs that have been successful in our county.

## 6th Annual Kiwanis Kids Day

MSTEPP was one of 87 different organizations that participated in the event on March 23rd in Bullhead City. The event was a huge success with official head count of 2,124 youth and adults that participated over the 4-hour event. We distributed numerous flyers on fentanyl, methamphetamine, marijuana, vaping and alcohol along with 27 locking pill bottles, 18 Deterra bags and 14 Naloxone kits.



Numerous youth got to experience how drug and alcohol use can effect their visual and motor skills through the use of our impairment goggles.



WHAT'S REALLY INSIDE OF THAT VAPE?

MANY OF THESE INGREDIENTS FOUND IN E-CIGARETTES ARE ALSO FOUND IN HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS THAT I AM SURE YOU DO NOT WANT TO PUT INTO YOUR MOUTH OR BODY.

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## Street Team Outreach—KMS



MSTEPP was one of 19 organizations that attended the Kingman Unified School District Middle

School on March 28th for a Health Resource Fair held in conjunction with their scholastic book sale. We reached a total of 69 adults, young adults and youth during the event and distributed flyers on fentanyl, methamphetamine, vaping, marijuana and alcohol along with 1 locking pill bottle.



**MSTEPP has now distributed over 1,900 Naloxone kits through out the region!**

ARE YOU PREPARED TO REVERSE AN OVERDOSE?

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