



SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
**DRUG FREE COMMUNITY
COALITION**

AUGUST 27, 2025

2:00 PM

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155 N. MORLEY AVE. NOGALES AZ 85621

MEETING ID: 843 0616 2192

Meeting called by: Executive Committee

Type of meeting: Monthly meeting

Facilitator: Tony Vartola

Note taker: Galilea Olvera

Attendees:

1. Jessica Gallego – Constructing Circles of Peace
2. Claudia Hernandez- Constructing Circles of Peace
3. Sandra Moraga Sanchez-South 32
4. Galilea Olvera- Child and Family Resource
5. Kayla Navarro- Health Department
6. Cassalyn David- Mariposa Community Health Center
7. Kierri Munoz- Santa Cruz County
8. Bianca Acosta- Circle of Peace
9. Stephanie Zepeda_ Mariposa Community Health Center
10. Aissa Acuna- SEAHEC
11. Tony Vartola
12. Renne Aguirre- Circle of Peace
13. Maileth Ortega

MISSION

To empower Santa Cruz County's communities to live a drug-free lifestyle by providing substance abuse prevention, education, establishing support to local government agencies, and empowering parents and youth for success!

VISION

To reduce drug abuse in the community, strengthen community partnerships, and maintain healthy and drug-free lifestyles by establishing community values.

PURPOSE

Coalition seeks to increase perception of harm related to substance abuse and underage drinking in Santa Cruz County.

Minutes

Agenda item: Overdose Fatality Review Annual Report Findings: Kayla Navarro

Discussion:

The presenter share the complete overdose fatality review annual report. The presenter explain the purpose of an OFR which it identify overdose trends, barriers, and gaps in service systems. Improve data collection and learn from a decedent interactions. Also, the purpose would be a collaboration with vital sectors working



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together to prevent fatal and non-fatal overdoses by making informed recommendations. Presenters explain that the case reviews for 2024 overdose cases. Health Department will continue providing Naloxone and Fentanyl test strips to community agencies upon request. knavarrodelacruz@santacruzcountyaz.gov (520)475-7735 if you have any questions

Agenda item: Coalition Update

Presenter: Claudia Hernandez

Discussion

Claudia Invited to the Movie Night that is happening today at Rio Rico Community Center. YADA will be participating too.

Kickball Tournament update will be September 26, 2025 looking for teams to play and looking to set a table.

The Mental Wellness Alliance: Claudia share an update for "Tomorrow Needs You" Mural at Desert Shadows

Youth on the Border Conference 2025 at Boys and Girls Club on September 10, 2025

Blanca talked about the budget

Agenda item: MEMBERS UPDATES

Presenter: SECRETARY-Galilea Olvera

Discussion:

- Kerri Provided updates on various programs and initiatives including the renewal of grants for the literacy bus and new drug prevention program for 7th graders. Upcoming Thrive Fest already set a date.
- South 32 reported on vendor readiness workshops
- Mariposa Community Health Center: shared information about the youth mental health first aid class

Next meeting:

- **October 29, 2025 @ 2:00 PM**
- **Hybrid**
 - **Constructing Circles of Peace, 155 N Morley Ave, Nogales AZ 85621**
 - **Zoom ID: 815 4109 7295**