

#### ONDCP Recognition - DFC Case Study

#### What is a DFC Case Study?

- Choose Your Path was recently asked by CADCA to complete a Case Study.
- In this Case Study we documented all the work we have done in the Wauconda area through the 7 strategies of Community Change.

#### What were we recognized for?

#### Core Measures

- 1. Past 30 Day Use
- 2. Perception of
  Parental/Guardian/
  Caregiver
  Disapproval
- 3. Perception of Peer Disapproval
- 4. Perception of Risk

#### Our Outcomes!

- The Office of National Drug Control Policy(ONDCP) reached out to CADCA about our Outcomes achieved through the 7 strategies for Community Change.
- They noted that all of the four core measures were trending in the right direction!



What are the 7
Strategies
for Community
change?

- 1. Providing information
- 2. Enhancing skills
- 3. Providing Support
- 4. Enhancing Access/Reducing Barriers
- 5. Incentives/Disincentives
- 6. Physical design
- 7. Modifying/Changing policies

 Choose Your Path is going to be sharing out one pagers about each strategy and what we have accomplished within that strategy

 Continue the amazing we have been able to do in the Wauconda area!! What are the next steps?



#### **Providing Information**



 Raising awareness through education, workshops, seminars, media campaigns, public service announcements, brochures, information dissemination, billboards, town hall meetings, forums, web-based communication.

media coverage.

#### Summary of Choose Your Path Activities under this strategy

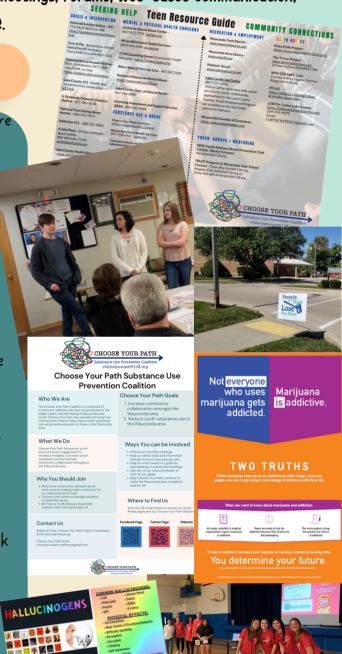
 Teen Resource Guide and all Social Norm Campaigns were created by our Youth Advisory Board.

All social norm campaigns are shared amongst
 Wauconda High School, Matthews Middle School, and
 Wauconda Middle School.

 Choose Your Path passed out information at the following events: National Night Out, Wauconda Latin Heritage Fest, Wauconda area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo, Wauconda Farmers Market, Drug Take Back Day and 8th grade Preview Night.

• We worked with the McHenry County Substance Abuse Coalition to obtain our 14 Prevention Fact Sheets.

- Our coalition website shares all the information we have provided.
- Our Twitter and Facebook accounts share out all of our Prevention messaging.
- Each year we submit ads to the Wauconda Park District for each of their Program Guides.
- Our Youth Advisory Board has given presentations to both 8th grade classes at Matthews Middle School and Wauconda Middle School.
- Our Youth Advisory Board has completed a Sticker Shock Campaign in Wauconda.
- Choose Your Path has given presentations to the Wauconda Lion's Club, Wauconda Island Lake Area Democrats and the United Partnership for a Better Community.
- Choose Your Path worked with District 118 to host a "High in Plain Sight" training.
- Choose Your Path worked with District 118 to create a postcard and send it to all households in the district.
- We prepare an Annual Report and share it at our Annual Meeting in December.
- During Red Ribbon Week Choose Your Path is active in sharing information and highlighting the importance of that week.
- Our Outreach Committee created a "Coalition Welcome Letter" and a "Recruitment Flyer".
- During Prom and Homecoming Choose Your Path works with the Wauconda area to promote the "Parents Who Host Lose the Most" & educate on Social Host Laws.





# **Enhancing Skills**



 Designing activities to increase skills of participants, coalition staff and community members (parents, youth, healthcare providers, law enforcement, clergy, teachers, etc.) through training, technical assistance, distance learning, strategic planning, curricula development, CME's for healthcare providers, parent training, peer refusal skills, etc.

- During coalition meetings we have provided the following trainings: Lake County Health Department presented on the harmful effects of Vaping and Marijuana, Nicasa presented a Narcan training and a training on Gambling Addiction, and the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) along with the continuum of care.
- During our Youth Advisory Board meetings the following trainings have been provided: the Illinois Human Performance Project provided "Chemical Health", Nicasa provided a Narcan training, the Lake County Health Department provided a presentation on the harmful effects of Vaping and Marijuana.
- Our Youth Advisory Board presented to the entire 8th grade class at Matthews Middle School about prevention topics, why prevention matters, what they can accomplish by joining the coalition, and any questions about high school.
- Our Youth Advisory Board presented to the entire 8th grade class at Wauconda Middle School during Red Ribbon Week. The presentation discussed Red Ribbon Week, prevention topics, why prevention matters, and what they can accomplish by joining the coalition.
- We have utilized CADCA's coalition support and have had them come to our Strategic and Action Planning committee to provide a training on Logic Models and what is needed to complete them.
- Choose Your Path has attended CADCA's Leadership Forum the last two years & plans to continue to attend.
- Choose Your Path collaborated with District 118 and SUSTAIN coalition to bring Jermaine Galloway aka "Tall Cop" to Lake County. Jermaine provided his "High in Plain Sight" training to 185 participants!



# **Providing Support**



 Creating opportunities to support people in activities and services through providing alternative activities, mentoring, referrals to treatment and other services, and recovery support groups.

- Choose Your Path volunteered with the "Summer Lunch Program". This program provided free lunches to those in need in the Wauconda area.
- Choose Your Path collaborated with the Wauconda Police Department for "National Night Out". This community event allows Wauconda area residents to engage with their local law enforcement and other organizations within the community.
- Choose Your Path collaborated with the Wauconda area Chamber of Commerce and have attended their Farmers Market. This community event allows Wauconda area residents to engage with the local merchants within their community and neighboring communities.
- Choose Your Path collaborated with the Wauconda area Chamber of Commerce for their Business Expo. This community event is held at Wauconda High School and is free for the community to attend.
- Choose Your Path collaborated with the Wauconda Police Department for their first "Wauconda Latin Heritage Fest". This community event showcased Latin Heritage through vendors, food, and music. There were organizations from the community present at the event as well.



# Enhancing Access/Reducing Barriers

Improving opportunities to utilize systems and services (e.g., access to treatment, recovery support and overdose reversal programs, healthcare, childcare, transportation, housing, education, special needs, cultural, and language sensitivity)

- At the "National Night Out" event we provided all of our materials in Spanish, along with English.
- At all the Farmers Market events we provided all of our materials in Spanish, along with English.
- Our Teen Resource Guide has been translated to Spanish.
- At the "Wauconda Latin Heritage Fest" we provided all of our materials in Spanish, along with English.
- Our "Two Truths" Social Norm Campaigns were translated into Spanish.
- Our "Coalition Welcome Letter" was translated into Spanish.
- During Red Ribbon Week we provided materials in both Spanish and English.
- In our monthly newsletter and on our social media platforms we shared materials from the DEA's "One Pill Can Kill" Campaign in Spanish.
- Our Recruitment Flyer was translated in Spanish and Polish.
- At the "8th Grade Preview Night" we provided our materials in Spanish, as well as English.
- At the Wauconda area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo our materials were translated in Spanish.
- On our social media accounts, monthly newsletter and coalition website we have provided SAMHSA's "Talk. They Hear You" Campaign in Spanish.



#### Incentives / Disincentives



Increasing or decreasing the probability of a specific behavior by changing the consequences (e.g., increasing
public recognition for deserved behavior, individual and business rewards, taxes, citations, fines, revocations,
and loss of privileges).

#### Summary of Choose Your Path Activities under this strategy

 At Wauconda High School, students can receive Choose Your Path Honor Cords based on their involvement with the coalition.

 When businesses pass compliance checks they receive a letter of support from the Mayor of Wauconda, Mayor Jeff Sode, congratulating them on this.

 During Red Ribbon Week, Mayor Jeff Sode signs a letter of support for Red Ribbon Week and it is shared among the Wauconda area residents.

 In March of 2022, our Executive Board decided to start a coalition member recognition program. At our Annual Meeting, we are going to be recognizing an adult coalition member and a youth coalition member for all their contributions the previous year.

 In our May coalition newsletter we started our "Senior Interviews". We asked all the seniors that were graduating to share what their plans after high school are while also highlighting the work they accomplished since being with the coalition.



# Physical Design



 Changing the physical design or structure of the environment to reduce access and availability through take back programs, use of lock boxes, drug deactivation and disposal systems, outlet density, lighting in parks, etc.

- In March of 2023, our Youth Advisory
  Board completed their first Sticker Shock
  Campaign in Wauconda. We had a total
  of 11 establishments participate.
- In April of 2022, we collaborated with the Wauconda Police Department and Wauconda Township for our first Drug Take Back Day. We collected 41.8 pounds of unused and unwanted medications. Everyone who turned in medications received a bag with information on the coalition, a postcard with all the drug disposal sites in Lake County and a Deterra Bag so they can safely de-activate their medications at home.
- In April of 2023, we collaborated with the Wauconda Police Department and Wauconda Township for our first Drug Take Back Day. We collected 119.3 pounds of unused and unwanted medications. Everyone who turned in medications received a bag with information on the coalition, a postcard with all the drug disposal sites in Lake County and a Deterra Bag so they can safely de-activate their medications at home.
- In March of 2023, our Youth Advisory
   Board started planning a "Vape Take Back
   Day" to take place in September 2023.



# Modifying / Changing Policies



Changing written procedures through ordinances, laws, and other public policy actions.



This is the only strategy Choose Your Path has not had an activity under.

More to come in the future!

