

# Dearborn County CASA

## *Community Advocating for Substance-Abuse Awareness*

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**Mission:** To develop and support a comprehensive community plan focused on the prevention and reduction of substance use/misuse/addiction among youth and adults in Dearborn County by driving impactful advocacy efforts.

**Vision:** Dearborn County will be a community free of substance abuse and addiction.

**History:** Community anti-drug coalitions were approved by the Governor's Commission for a Drug-Free Indiana and established by the general assembly in 1989. The goal was to develop local coalitions in each of the 92 Indiana counties to assess and address local substance abuse issues. Coalitions comprised of individuals and community leaders representing different sectors in a community were encouraged to work together to reduce the negative impacts of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs on its residents.

Our organization uses funds received by the county from court fees associated with drug and alcohol fines. These funds are distributed to three different sectors in our community: prevention programs, intervention/treatment resources, and law enforcement through yearly grants. Our operating funds come from the generosity and commitment to prevention from the City of Lawrenceburg. Our Youth Ambassador program receives operating funds from the City of Greendale. CASA is the only local coordinating council that gets this type of funding from city governments. We are also supported each year by the kindness of individual donors, in-kind volunteer hours, and media sponsorships from Eagle 99.3 and Friendship bank.

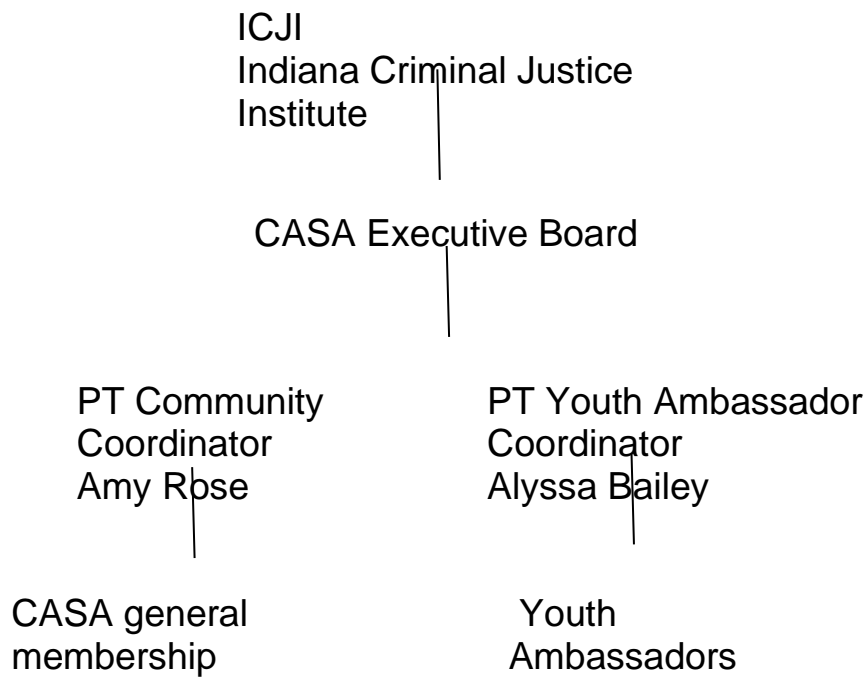
To effectively and efficiently provide our community with the best possible resources to fit their needs, we collaborate with our membership and community partners to create problem

statements, identify initiatives, and facilitate action plans. This information is used to create a comprehensive community plan. The CCP provides our organization with a framework to combat the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.

To view our approved Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Comprehensive Community plan please [click here \(this plan was approved by ICJI on 5/26/2022\)](#)

**For more information about our drug-free grants program, please visit <https://dearborncountycasa.com/grants>.**

**Organizational Chart:** *Break down of roles/responsibilities can be found in our By-Laws*



**2022 Executive Board Members** *Meeting each month on the third Wed 9 am-10 am.*

**President** Andrea Spaeth, Lawrenceburg Community Schools

**Vice President** Kendra Whitham St. Elizabeth Dearborn

**Treasurer** Stacey Perleberg, Civista Bank

**Secretary** Kelley McDaniel, VIMDOS/Perfect North Slopes

**At Large** Miranda Boyles, Eagle County 99.3

**At Large** Tisha Linzy, Dearborn County JCAP

**At Large** Garrett Bascom, Deputy Prosecutor Dearborn & Ohio counties

**Advisory** (*nonvoting position*) Guinevere Banschbach City of Lawrenceburg

**Advisory** (*nonvoting position*) Alan Weiss City of Greendale

**Current Membership/Volunteer list** *Meeting once per month on the third Wednesday 10 am-11 am. DCYA meet 2 times per month 6:30 pm-8 pm for a complete list of coalition members please see our CCP*

More information on roles and organizational responsibilities can be found by [clicking here](#) to view our By-Laws. *These were updated over the course of 2021 to address some policy shortfalls and needed procedures around finances.*

**Staffing:**

During the pandemic, we reassessed the best way to support the community through the goals identified within our comprehensive community plan. The full-time Executive Director position was eliminated and replaced with a part-time community coordinator. This change allowed us the additional funding to implement the PATHS programming (Think Smart Stay safe and Kids on the Block) back into **ALL** Dearborn County Elementary schools but with double-up sessions for Lawrenceburg Community schools. The double sessions ensure that all grades get caught up in training from pandemic years. For more info on these prevention programs please [click here](#)

- Community Coordinator: Part-time hourly position with monthly deliverables chart to complete, this chart can be found by [clicking here](#). The budget amount for this position is \$18,000 per year. This position is responsible for ICJI requirements, Board, and general membership support.
- DCYA Coordinator: Part-time hourly position with a monthly deliverable chart to complete, this chart can be found by [clicking here](#). The budget amount for this position is \$17,000 per year. This position provides direct support for our Youth Ambassador program.

**Prevention Initiatives we are using funding for:**

- PATHS- think smart stay safe, kids on the block
- Drug disposal info on all Kroger Pharmacy bags
- Drug Take back kits – lock up your meds program
- YOUTH VAPING community/school door wrap program
- On-air and print ads for Drinking responsibly, Prescription pill awareness, Modeling responsible behaviors
- Parent toolkits – listen they hear you
- After prom – school supported sober events
- Scholarships for youth based specifically around substance abuse
- Marijuana legislation information for professionals
- YES home- Moral recognition therapy (Marijuana)
- Purdue Extension Strengthening families

**2022 Budget and narrative:**

<b>Income</b>		<b>Budgeted Expense</b>	<b>Narrative</b>
City of Lawrenceburg		\$110,000.00	Prevention agency support
City of Greendale		\$3,000.00	Designated for the Youth Ambassador program
Donations - youth		\$5,000	United Way support for Youth Summit equipment
Dearborn County DFF		\$18,523.48	Administration portion of drug-free funds
rollover		\$25,000.00	From DCYA
<b>total</b>		<b>\$161,524.83</b>	
<b>Staff</b>			
Coalition Coordinator		\$18,000.00	Part-time up to 60 hours per month
Youth Coordinator		\$17,000.00	Part-time up to 60 hours per month
Employee Taxes		\$5,000.00	
<b>Operations</b>			
Office rent		\$2,350.00	Paid to LCC for two desks, One desktop computer and use of copy machine, shared closet/office space
Storage unit rental		\$830.00	Houses DCYA supplies for the Youth summit, pedal cart program, and SPARKS supplies.
Insurance		\$850.00	Covers youth events and Board insurance
Dues & Subscriptions		\$500.00	Survey monkey for data collection, web hosting, etc
Accounting		\$7,000.00	RBSK to provide financial oversight and process payroll
Legal Fees		\$10,000.00	
General Office Supplies & Equipment		\$500.00	Paper, toner, folders
<b>Programming</b>			
Scholarships - essay		\$4,000.00	Substance abuse-related essay scholarship for one graduating senior at each of the three high schools

Scholarship - Ambassadors		\$5,000.00	Earned incentive for four years of volunteerism, to be given at the completion of Senior year (divided out for the entire group)
After Prom		\$2,250.00	Divided out among the three high schools -funding is to support sober activities after-prom
Media		\$4,500.00	For the promotion of prevention - IE: Alcohol awareness month, Drug take back, conversations with kids about ATOD
PATHS		\$20,000.00	Think Smart Stay Safe, Kids on the Block in-school programs
Miscellaneous		\$1,243.48	
<b>CCP work plan</b>			To provide support or sponsorship to activities or events related to each portion of the Comprehensive Community Plan based around PREVENTION efforts
Prevention/Education		\$8,500.00	CCP approved 5/26/2022 – work begins 7/1/2022
Criminal Justice		\$8,500.00	CCP approved 5/26/2022 – work begins 7/1/2022
Treatment/Intervention		\$8,500.00	CCP approved 5/26/2022 – work begins 7/1/2022
<b>DCYA - Youth Ambassadors</b>			
DCYA programs		\$17001.35	SPARKS, VOICE, Teens in the driver's seat, Red Ribbon week
Youth Summit		\$20,000.00	Annual prevention summit for all county eight-grade students
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$161,524.83</b>	

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Our financial policies/procedures can be found by [clicking here](#)

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