

The Indiana Commission to Combat Drug Abuse



Behavioral Health Division

2025-26

Comprehensive Community Plan

County: OHIO COUNTY

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Vision Statement

What is your Local Coordinating Council's vision statement?

To ensure all residents of Ohio County have access to optimal resources they can use to be successful in their lives.

Mission Statement

What is your Local Coordinating Council's mission statement?

Engage and support Ohio County residents with quality substance abuse awareness, education, training, treatment, and resources to enable residents to lead a productive life.

Membership List					
#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Angst, Jane	Ohio County Community Foundation	W	F	Public Service
2	Beckett, Amy	Ohio County Prosecutor's Office	W	F	Judicial
3	Baxter, Tom	Ohio County Sheriff	W	M	Law Enforcement
4	Brightwell, Debbie	Ohio County Citizen	W	F	Citizen
5	Brightwell, Lawrence	Ohio County Citizen	B	M	Citizen
6	Brinson, Kelsey	SIEOC	W	F	Social Services
7	Chipman, Shannon	Ohio County Purdue Extension	W	F	Education
8	Cole, Deb	River Valley Resources	W	F	Social Services
9	Collins, Sammie	Choices	W	F	Treatment
10	Cole, Deb	River Valley Resources	W	F	Support Services
11	Crouch, Regina	Ohio County Health Dept	W	F	Health
12	Doty, Amanda	CHOICES	W	F	Prevention/Treatment
13	Dundes, Amy	SIEOC	W	F	Education/ Social Work
14	Graves, Aimee	Ohio County Health Dept.	W	F	Health

15	Gregory, Jillian	Ohio County Grant Project Coordinator	W	F	Prevention
16	Hartman, Stephanie	Choices, CCS	W	F	Treatment
17	Hayes, Kayla	Choices/CERT	W	F	Treatment
18	Herbert, Abby	Safe Passage	W	F	Public Service
19	Jackson, Annie	OC Sheriff's Office	W	F	Law Enforcement
20	Jackson, Kenny	OC Sheriff's Office	W	M	Law Enforcement
21	Jossart, Trena	Purdue Extension	W	F	Education
22	Kelly, Dawn	Choices	W	F	Treatment
23	King, Amy	OC Public Library	W	F	Education
24	Kettman, Cari	Safe Passage	W	F	Public Service
25	Martini, Jessica	Purdue Extension	W	F	Education/Health
26	Miller, Kendall	OC Tourism	W	F	Communication
27	Mosley, Skyler	LCC Coordinator	W	F	Prevention
28	Noel, Chelsie	Safe Passage	W	F	Public Service
29	Parks, Adam	Youth Minister RSCC	W	M	Religious
30	Roeder, Branden	RS School Superintendent	W	M	Education
31	Sink, Marilyn	IYI	W	F	Public Service
32	Thomason, Deborah	Education Center of RS	W	F	Education
33	Warner, Emily	OCEMS Counselor	W	F	Education
34	Wilker, Susan	SIEOC	W	F	Education/Public Services
35	Dundes, Amy	SIEOC – Family Service Worker	W	F	Education/Social Services

LCC Meeting Schedule:

Please provide the months the LCC meets throughout the year:

Our meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m.

Meetings are in person and also virtual. This has worked well. We also plan on having at least one evening meeting to allow others to attend.

Youth meetings with Middle School & High School – meet monthly during the school year.

II. Community Needs Assessment

The first step in developing an effective substance use and misuse reduction plan is to assess your community. A community assessment tells you about your community's readiness to implement prevention, treatment, and justice-related programs to address substance use and misuse. An assessment also provides an overview of the risk and protective factors present in the community, helping your coalition plan more effectively.

Community Profile

County Name
Ohio County
County Population
6,004
Schools in the community
Rising Sun Ohio County School Corporation (This consists of a Preschool (3 yrs and 4yrs), Grade School/Middle School and High School) Grade School enrollment – 416 Elementary students; Middle School 184 students and High School 229 students. 20224-2025
Headstart Program- SIEOC (20 youth enrolled)
Medical care providers in the community (hospitals, health care centers, medical centers/clinics, etc.)
Ohio County Health Department St. Elizabeth Hospital in Dearborn County (services Ohio County) St Elizabeth Medical Center (Rising Sun) InCompass in Switzerland County serving Ohio County residents
Mental health care providers in the community (hospitals with psychiatric/behavioral health units, mental health clinics, private/public providers, etc.)
Ohio County Health Department - Stewart B. Ball LMFT, LCSN INcompass Healthcare (formerly CMHC) (located in Dearborn County but serves Ohio County)
Service agencies/organizations

Region 9 Workforce Board
 River Valley Resources
 JCAP Program in jail
 IRAC Program in jail
 Safe Passage
 SIEOC
 One Community One Family
 Purdue Extension
 Education Center of Rising Sun
 Heart House
 Rural Works
 Indiana Youth Institute
 Oxford House – Recovery Housing (Aurora)
 Walters House
 YES Youth Home
 Dearborn County Advocacy Center
 Care Resource Connection- one stop resource center

Local media outlets that reach the community

Facebook, Drug Free Ohio County website: <https://drugfreeohioco.com/>, Register Publications, The Beacon, WSCH 99.3 Radio, Ohio County School electronic billboard

What are the substances that are most problematic in your community?

Alcohol, vaping, tobacco, marijuana, prescription drugs and meth, over the counter drinks and candies which are laced with THC and other harmful chemicals.

List all substance use/misuse services/activities/programs presently taking place in the community

Drug Free Ohio County Substance Free Events for Youth
 Drug Free Youth Ambassadors at Middle and High School
 Red Ribbon week through the school system
 Choices CERT is available telephonically 24/7
 There are currently no treatment or recovery groups in Ohio County but within 15 miles, One Voice has recovery groups which our County participates in.
 Ohio County citizens can participate in Dearborn County's One Voice program
 Sober living available within 20 mins.

Community Risk and Protective Factors

Use the list of risk and protective factors to identify those present in your community. Identify the resources/assets and limitations/gaps that exist in your community related to each. The lists are not all-inclusive and others may apply.

Risk Factors Examples: trauma and toxic stressors; depression and anxiety; boredom, poverty, violence; neighborhood characteristics; low neighborhood attachment; community disorganization; community norms and laws favorable toward drug use, firearms, and crime; availability of alcohol and other drugs; weak family relationships; family substance use; peer substance use; mental health problems; families moving frequently from home to home; limited prevention and recovery resources.

Protective Factors Examples: strong family relationships; neighborhood economic viability; low childhood stress; although limited and in neighboring communities, access to health care; access to mental health care; community-based interventions; restricted access to alcohol and other drugs including restrictive laws and excise taxes; safe, supportive, meaningful youth engagement opportunities that include substance free alternative events; local policies and practices that support healthy norms and child-youth programs; positive connection to adults.

Risk Factors	Resources/Assets	Limitations/Gaps
1. Social acceptance of substance use.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law Enforcement • State Funded At Risk Youth Program (DWD) • Local Purdue Extension primary and middle school programs • Positive relationship with judicial system • Federal opioid funded program helping individuals affected by the opioid crisis. • After school care for grade school children. • The Education Center of Rising Sun – free tutoring and programming to those who qualify. • RS Youth Hang Out for Middle School – twice a month • Ohio Co Health Dept • School Health Fair • Drug Free Council • Youth Focus Groups in both Middle and High School • Red Ribbon Week 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of cohesive public awareness campaigns around prevention. • Transportation barriers • Shared judicial system with neighboring county; often numbers are under reported and funding flows there instead of Ohio County. • Geographically, close proximity to known drug trafficking triangle (Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Louisville). • Lack of free substance free events/programs or outings for youth & families. • Generational poverty cycles • Social Stigma • Advertising targeting youth. • Availability to substances
2. Mental Health and Addiction services access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choices • INcompass Health Care (formerly CMHC) • St Elizabeth Hospital (Dearborn Co) • Rising Sun Medical Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No local long term treatment facilities • Transportation barriers • Waitlist or no availability for appointment.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ohio County Health Dept. ● One Voice – Clinical & social support – youth (available in Dearborn Co) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Absence of support groups within Ohio county. ● Lack of family funding for treatment ● Lack of insurance and high premiums. ● Lack of local detox and inpatient services.
3. Limited community adult/youth engagement activities and resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Education Center of Rising Sun ● Extracurricular activities; 4-H, Lego Robotics, Girls On The Run, STEM Camp ● Out of school camps ● Church Youth Groups ● Drug Free Sponsored Free Substance Free Events – Middle School & High School. ● Youth Focus Groups in both Middle and High School ● Ohio County Sheriff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Limited Funds ● Limited affordable programs available ● Limited participation ● Lack of transportation ● Parent and caregiver participation
Protective Factors	Resources/Assets	Limitations/Gaps
1. Meaningful youth engagement activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Education Center of Rising Sun ● Extracurricular activities; 4-H, Lego Robotics, Girls On The Run, STEM Camp ● Out of school camps ● Church Youth Groups ● Drug Free Sponsored Free Substance Free Events – Middle School & High School. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lack of transportation for students to participate ● Parent/caregiver participation or vision ● Lack of funding for programs which cost.
2. Available programs in neighboring counties for treatment/recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choices CERT Program ● Oxford Houses in Dearborn County ● Region 9 Opioid Grant Resources ● Jail JCAP & IRAC Programs ● DMHA Prevention Grant ● One Voice – Support Groups youth & adult ● 2024 New One Voice Recovery Housing in Lawrenceburg 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No recovery support groups in Ohio County ● Community perception of healthy norms ● Funds are often allocated to larger, neighboring counties for resources due to numbers being reported under their judicial and hospital system. ● No hospital system in this county.

3. Small rural community that sustains and supports local events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School sponsored events • Education Center and Extension Office (4-H) • DMHA • Law Enforcement • Drug Free Sponsored Substance Free events • County and City Government 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited number of volunteers to plan and carry out events. • Local coordinating council has a lack of funding and resources to provide more family events. • Rural area limits Ohio County access to programming.
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III. Making A Community Action Plan

Now that you have completed a community assessment and have identified the risk and protective factors that exist, you can develop a plan of action. The Comprehensive Community Plan (CCP) is a systematic and community-driven gathering, analysis, and reporting of community-level indicators for the purpose of identifying and addressing local substance use problems.

Step 1: Create problem statements and ensure problems statements are in line with statutory requirements

Step 2: Ensure your problem statements are evidence-informed, then prioritize

Step 3: Brainstorm what can be done about each

Step 4: Prioritize your list, and develop SMART goal statements for each

Step 5: List the steps to achieve each goal

Step 1: Create + Categorize Problem Statements

Create problem statements as they relate to each of the identified risk factors.

Risk Factors	Problem Statement(s)
1. Social acceptance of substance use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth of Ohio County continue to use/misuse alcohol, vaping products and marijuana. • Lack of activities – boredom – leads to drinking and using illegal substances. • Lack of training/programs for public awareness around prevention. • Targeted education and treatment services are needed to intervene on substance use.

<p>2. Mental Health and addiction services access</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is an increased need for mental health services for adults and youth in our county. • Lack of available treatment options means traveling out of county for treatment. • There is no local transportation service that is easily accessible. Transportation is a barrier to successful treatment. • Social stigma hinders recovery efforts.
<p>3. Limited community adult/youth engagement activities and resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth and adults have limited access to and awareness of resources for prevention, treatment and law enforcement. • There are limited media outlets and limited funds that would be needed to disseminate public awareness. • Lack of activities – boredom – leads to drinking and using illegal substances.

Step 2: Evidence-Informed Problem Statements

Identify your top three problem statements using local or state data. Ensure that there is a problem statement for each co-equal funding category (e.g., prevention/education; intervention/treatment; and criminal justice services and activities).

Problem Statements	Data That Establishes Problem	Data Source
1. Prevention /Education Lack of activities, programs ect. – boredom – leads to drinking and using illegal substances.	In 2022, Indiana Youth Survey (IYS) indicated that 48.1% of 10 th grade students had used alcohol.	2024 Indiana Youth Survey
	Vape use among 12 th grade students was 19.1% but this was coming off of COVID> However, in speaking with our High School and Middle School Administrators vaping is getting out of hand.	2024 Indiana Youth Survey
	Youth Focus Groups from both Middle School and High School have reported the need for more fun, free activities in our community	Rising Sun High School & Middle School Youth Focus Groups
	In a community survey, 87% of the participants stated that they believe there is a major issue with youth substance abuse in our community	Ohio County Community Survey

<p>2. Intervention/Treatment</p> <p>Lack of treatment and mental health services in Ohio County.</p>	<p>An average of 38.9% of 10th graders, 28.6% of 11th graders and 26.3% of 12th graders reported that they felt sad or hopeless for 2+ weeks in a row over the last 12 months.</p> <p>13% of 10th graders and 11.9% of 11th graders report that they seriously consider attempting suicide. 7.5% of 10th graders, 9.5% of 11 graders and 2.6% of 12th graders reported they made a plan about attempting suicide.</p> <p>KFF/CNN survey – half of parents (47%) said the pandemic had a negative impact on their child’s mental health.</p>	<p>2024 Indiana Youth Survey</p> <p>2022 Indiana Youth Survey</p>
<p>3. Law Enforcement/Justice</p> <p>Insufficient training, education and materials involving substance abuse/mental health for our law enforcement.</p>	<p>In 2024, a total of 27 Misdemeanor alcohol arrests and 4 Felony Alcohol arrests. Drug related arrests in 2024 were 15 Felony and 1 misdemeanor.</p> <p>There were 3 that were both alcohol and drug arrests.</p> <p>There has been an increase in crimes such as stealing, domestic violence and bodily injury which have been connected to Drug and Alcohol arrests.</p>	<p>Ohio County Sheriff</p> <p>Ohio County Sheriff</p>

Step 3: Brainstorm

Consider the resources/assets and limitations/gaps that were identified for each risk factor, and list what actions can be taken for each identified problem statement.

Problem Statements	What can be done (action)?
<p>1. Lack of education and substance free events for youth and families</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support programs and activities for youth and families. Partner with the schools and other not for profit entities to provide free activities and programs.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide information to the community and interested parties who work with at-risk youth about the risks of substance abuse. ● Seek funding opportunities to ensure longevity of programs.
2. Lack of treatment and mental health services in Ohio County.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Seek additional services for our county either in person or virtual. ● Support/partner counseling/treatment through Choices or other providers. ● Support and create support groups - such as AA (Al-anon), Kinship Connections (Grandparents raising children and loved ones)
3. Insufficient training, education and materials involving substance abuse/mental health for our law enforcement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide appropriate equipment, training, and materials to aid law enforcement agencies. ● Provide training and materials to aid the local resource officers at the school. ● Participate in efforts to identify high-risk areas and provide resources to reduce incidents. ● Make Narcan/Naloxone available to the public, including teens, to reduce deaths.

Step 4: Develop SMART Goal Statements

For each problem statement, prioritize your list of what can be done. Choose your top two actions for each. Then, develop goal statements that demonstrate what change you hope to achieve and by when you hope to achieve it.

Problem Statement #1 Lack of Education and substance free events for youth and families.
<p>Goal 1 Provide grant opportunities to support educational programming through schools, service providers, and others to educate youth and adults about facts of substance use and misuse, reducing youth prevalence rates below state rates by 2025</p>
<p>Goal 2 Expand our substance free alternative events/programs and substance abuse education for youth and families in 2025.</p>
Problem Statement #2 Lack of treatment and mental health services in Ohio County
<p>Goal 1 Create and establish at least 1 inclusive and empowering support group to strengthen community connections and well-being in 2025.</p>
<p>Goal 2 Increase community mental health treatment/counseling services for Ohio County residents</p>

Problem Statement #3 Insufficient training, education and materials involving substance abuse/mental health for our law enforcement
<p>Goal 1</p> <p>Equip law enforcement officers (and school resource officers) in Ohio County with training, education (both substance abuse and mental health) and materials to better serve our community.</p>
<p>Goal 2</p> <p>Decrease substance misuse arrests by 1% in 2025</p>

Step 5: Plans to Achieve Goals

For each goal, list the steps required to achieve each

Problem Statement #1	Steps
<p>Goal 1</p> <p>Provide grant opportunities to support educational programming through schools, service providers, and others to educate youth and adults about facts of substance use and misuse, reducing youth prevalence rates below state rates by 2025</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recruit youth to participate in LCC activities and collaborate with existing youth groups. ● Partner with individuals and organizations to provide public events on substance use disorders. ● Provide grant opportunities to assist with expenses of providing educational sessions.
<p>Goal 2</p> <p>Expand our substance free alternative events/programs and substance abuse education for youth and families in 2025 by 20%.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Partner with Red Ribbon week on substance abuse awareness. ● Provide funding for substance free alternative events for families of Ohio County. ● Support afterschool programs and mentoring programs which emphasize good choices. ● Increase parental/guardian participation in substance free alternative events.
Problem Statement #2	Steps
<p>Goal 1</p> <p>Create and establish at least 1 inclusive and empowering support group to strengthen community connections and well-being in 2025.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Partner with neighboring organizations to bring support programs to Ohio county ● Provide free resources at local festivals and events. ● Promote recovery programs and support groups to encourage long-term recovery.
<p>Goal 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide grant opportunities for community, parent and student prevention programs.

Increase community mental health treatment/counseling services for Ohio County residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide grant opportunities for programming for our community that will focus on youth mental health and risk factors. ● Provide grant opportunities and training for school youth for peer support and prevention awareness.
Problem Statement #3	Steps
<p>Goal 1</p> <p>Equip law enforcement officers (and school resource officers) in Ohio County with training, education (both substance abuse and mental health) and materials to better serve our community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide grant opportunities for training opportunities in both substance abuse and mental health. ● Provide grant opportunities for needed equipment and educational information. ● Support services to assist law enforcement to reduce criminal behaviors
<p>Goal 2</p> <p>Decrease substance misuse arrests by 1% in 2025 by creating and developing a list of resources for our community of existing and new prevention treatment and recovery programs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide resource information to the Sheriff's department to pass along to families. ● Increase media of prevention, treatment and recovery resources through website, Facebook and local festivals. ● Support services to assist law enforcement to reduce criminal behaviors. ● Increase training on safe handling of drugs and paraphernalia and use of Narcan/Naloxone.

IV. Fund Document

The fund document allows the LCC to provide finances available to the coalition at the beginning of the year. The fund document gauges an LCC's fiscal wellness to empower their implementation of growth within their community. The fund document also ensures LCCs meet the statutory requirement of funding programs within the three categories of (1) Prevention/Education, (2) Treatment/Intervention, and (3) Criminal Justice Services and Activities (IC 5-2-11-5).

Funding Profile		
1	Amount deposited into the County DFC Fund from fees collected last year:	\$5225.11
2	Amount of unused funds from last year that will roll over into this year:	\$9,510.58
3	Total funds available for programs and administrative costs for this year (Line 1 + Line 2):	\$14,735.69
4	Amount of funds granted last year:	\$8,271.80
Additional Funding Sources (if no money is received, please enter \$0.00)		
A	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):	\$0.00
B	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):	\$0.00
C	Bureau of Justice Administration (BJA):	\$0.00
D	Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP):	\$0.00
E	Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH):	\$0.00
F	Indiana Department of Education (DOE):	\$0.00
G	Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA):	\$0.00
H	Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA):	\$0.00
I	Local entities:	\$0.00
J	Other:	\$0.00
Categorical Funding Allocations		
Prevention/Education: \$3,683.93	Intervention/Treatment: \$3,683.92	Justice Services: \$3,683.92
Funding allotted to Administrative costs:		
Itemized list of what is being funded		Amount (\$100.00)
Amount Allocated to Satisfy Statutory Compliance		\$3,683.92
Prevention Program Supplies		\$1,683.92
Printing		\$500.00
Website		\$500.00
Office Supplies		\$1000.00
Funding Allocations by Goal per Problem Statement:		
Problem Statement #1	Problem Statement #2	Problem Statement #3
Goal 1: \$2,000.00	Goal 1: \$2,000.00	Goal 1: \$2,000.00
Goal 2: \$1,683.93	Goal 2: \$1,683.92	Goal 2: \$1,683.92

* LCC approved \$2,500 per Category