

Sustainability Plan



working together coalition

Vision: We envision a safe and healthy community free of the impact of substance abuse and its negative effects.

Mission: Our mission is Working Together to prevent substance use by our youth through community collaboration, resulting in an improved quality of life.

Case Statement: Building and maintaining working relationships within the community.

Background: The Working Together Coalition provides an opportunity to get a diverse group of our community members (youth, parents, law enforcement, schools, local, state and tribal government, faith communities, health care, media, civic/volunteer groups, business community and any others interested in keeping youth free of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs) together to provide our youth a safe and healthy place to live. Our group is the only group that gathers to prevent the use of alcohol tobacco and other drugs among our youth. We implement data-driven prevention strategies, practices, and policies throughout the community designed to reduce substance abuse problems over time.

Key Areas to be Sustained / Estimated Costs:

1. DFC Coordinator and DFC Project Director's Salary	\$90,000
2. Training/Travel expenses (including travel and lodging)	\$6,000
3. Contractual Expenses	\$14,500
4. Office Supplies	\$1,500
5. Evaluation	\$13,000

Existing Resources / Termination Dates:

1. DFC: Expires 9/30/2014; renewed on annual basis	\$125,000
2. Community Partners/Coalition Members time and resources	\$125,000 (in-kind)

Sources and Strategies:

1. Sustainability as a major focus of the SATF Steering Committee; Sustainability training for all SATF members
2. Steering Committee members and SATF staff work to "grow" existing partnerships and recruit new members to increase in-kind contributions from SATF members and community
3. Development and fundraising for the SATF Scholarship fund for youth members
4. Continued fundraising in support of the Youth Leadership Summit and other youth-driven events.
5. Continued partnership with community members to host/support/sponsor Medicine Take Back Projects

Action Plan to Implement Strategies

1. The Leadership Team will address sustainability at their monthly meetings, starting in October 2010. There will be formal training for all Leadership Team and interested Coalition members by February 2011.

2. Coalition members will seek possible local resources for funding. Once organizations have been identified, Coalition members will do presentations and request support. Possible local resources are the following:
 - Lions Clubs (Walker, Hackensack, Akeley, Pine River, Backus, Northland Community)
 - Rotary (Walker, Lakes Area Rotary)
 - Legions (Pine River, Backus, Hackensack, Walker, Akeley)
 - Walker Area Foundation
 - Blandin Foundation
 - Initiative Foundation
 - Lake Country Power
 - Minnesota Power
 - Crow Wing Power
 - Anderson Brothers
3. Coalition leaders and staff will meet with existing community partners to see what we can do to sustain the efforts that we currently are working on. Things to consider is having those partners take on projects, if deemed appropriate. These conversations will continue with all in-kind contributions.
4. Staff and Fiscal Agent will continue to see other Local, State and Federal Grant Opportunities in regards to prevention of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs on an on-going basis.
5. Coalition members will present to City and County Boards to request that Liquor License Ordinances be charged an extra \$100.00 that will be given directly to the Working Together Coalition.

Action Plan to Implement Strategies/Timeline for Action:

Who?	Will do what?	By when?	Resources Needed	Who should know?
Leadership Team	Address Sustainability at monthly meetings	Monthly	Strategic and Action Plan, current information of Coalition activities	General Coalition Membership, Community Partners
Coalition Members	Identify possible local resources and do presentations/request for funds	As needed	List of local organizations/agencies that provide money to non-profit organizations	Coalition Members, Community Partners
Coalition Leaders and Staff	Visit with Local Community Partners and visit about future plans to implement prevention strategies.	June 2011	List of community partners.	Coalition Leaders and Staff
Staff and Fiscal Agent	Identify and Apply for local, state and federal grants.	On-going	Review known lists for grant opportunities.	Staff and Fiscal Agent, General Coalition Membership
Coalition Members, Staff	Present to the City and County Governments to seek a policy change to include a \$100 fee to alcohol liquor licensese to go directly to WTC.	March 2011	Research each City and County liquor license ordinance and their fees.	General Coalition Membership, Staff and Fiscal Agent

The Leadership Team will develop and review a sustainability plan each year and revise as needed.

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