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RCYSUC NEWSLETTER

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Richland County Youth Substance Use Coalition

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Dear Coalition Members,

Thank you for reading the January issue of the Richland County Youth Substance Use Coalition (RCYSUC) Prevention Newsletter! As a reminder, the next RCYSUC meeting will be held **January 25th, 2021** via Zoom. Be on the lookout for the invite. Committees are open to anyone interested in joining and committed to substance use prevention. We are looking for additional members on each committee. The next Committee meetings will be on Zoom: Data & Evaluation - Jan. 11th @12pm
Prescription Drugs - Jan. 11th @2:30pm
Alcohol - Jan. 13th @12pm
Thanks for your dedication + support!

MONITORING THE FUTURE 2020



The [Monitoring the Future \(MTF\) Survey](#) measures drug/alcohol use and attitudes in youth students across the country. The 2020 MTF survey results are out. Nicotine and marijuana vaping rates have held steady, decreasing rates in alcohol use are slowing down, and substance use among eighth graders is trending up. Click [HERE](#) for a great infographic summarizing the results.

NEWS + RESOURCES

[Non-fatal Drug Overdoses On The Rise In Children](#)

In a study of nearly 90 million ER visits between April 2016-September 2019, data showed a disturbing trend. In all three age groups (birth to 10 years old; 11-14 years old; and 15-24 years old) stimulant overdoses were on the rise. All-drug related overdoses increased for the first 2 age groups, while decreasing slightly for the 15-24 age group.

[Fatal Drug Overdoses Across U.S. Driven By Synthetic Opioids](#)

Fatal drug overdoses are sadly on the rise as well, with fentanyl being a prime suspect. The largest increase was from March 2020 to May 2020 when lockdowns first began. The 12 month period ending in May 2020 was the largest number of drug overdoses ever recorded in the U.S. CDC recently put out a health alert along with recommendations to help prevent further increases. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

UPCOMING TRAININGS AND WEBINARS

Youth Engagement In Tobacco Control - Jan. 11th, 2021 from 3-4:30PM

[Register Now](#)

The Impact Of Pandemic Life On Teens - Jan. 27th, 2021 from 2:30-3:30PM

[Register Now](#)

Addiction And Recovery 2021: The Latest Findings From Neuroscience Research - Jan. 27th, 2021 from 3-4:30PM

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COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



419 BARBERSHOP

Damien Beauford is the owner of [419 Barbershop](#) and a lifelong resident of Mansfield, OH. Damien says, "I've always had a strong passion for community and I've seen firsthand the growth one can experience when they are poured into." 419 aims to be a staple in the community. They have hosted clothing drives, drop off and pick up points for take home crafts from the Art Center, served community meals, donated haircuts, sponsored/provided equipment to local teams, and more. "I believe the biggest gift and blessing has been the conversations and friendships made inside the shop. Hair grows back, but relationships are everlasting!" he said.

COUNT ON ME RC



Check out the new [CountOnMeRC](#) collaborative effort to help CANCEL OUT COVID-19. Watch a quick video with various community members and partners and browse the website for more helpful information. Richland County, can we count on you?

RCYSUC Mission: To empower Richland County youth, families, and the community to reduce youth substance use through education, intervention, and participation.

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