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# RCYSUC NEWSLETTER



## Richland County Youth Substance Use Coalition

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Hi everyone,

Thank you for reading the September issue of the Richland County Youth Substance Use Coalition (RCYSUC) Prevention Newsletter! In this newsletter you'll find the latest news, resources, webinars and more. As a reminder, the next RCYSUC meeting will be held on **September 26th, 2022 @ 3pm**. It will be in person at Richland Public Health, with a Zoom option as well. The next Committee meetings will be:

Alcohol - Sept 14th @ 12pm

Data & Evaluation - Sept 19th @ 12:45pm

Prescription Drugs - Sept 19th @ 3pm

Thanks for your dedication + support!

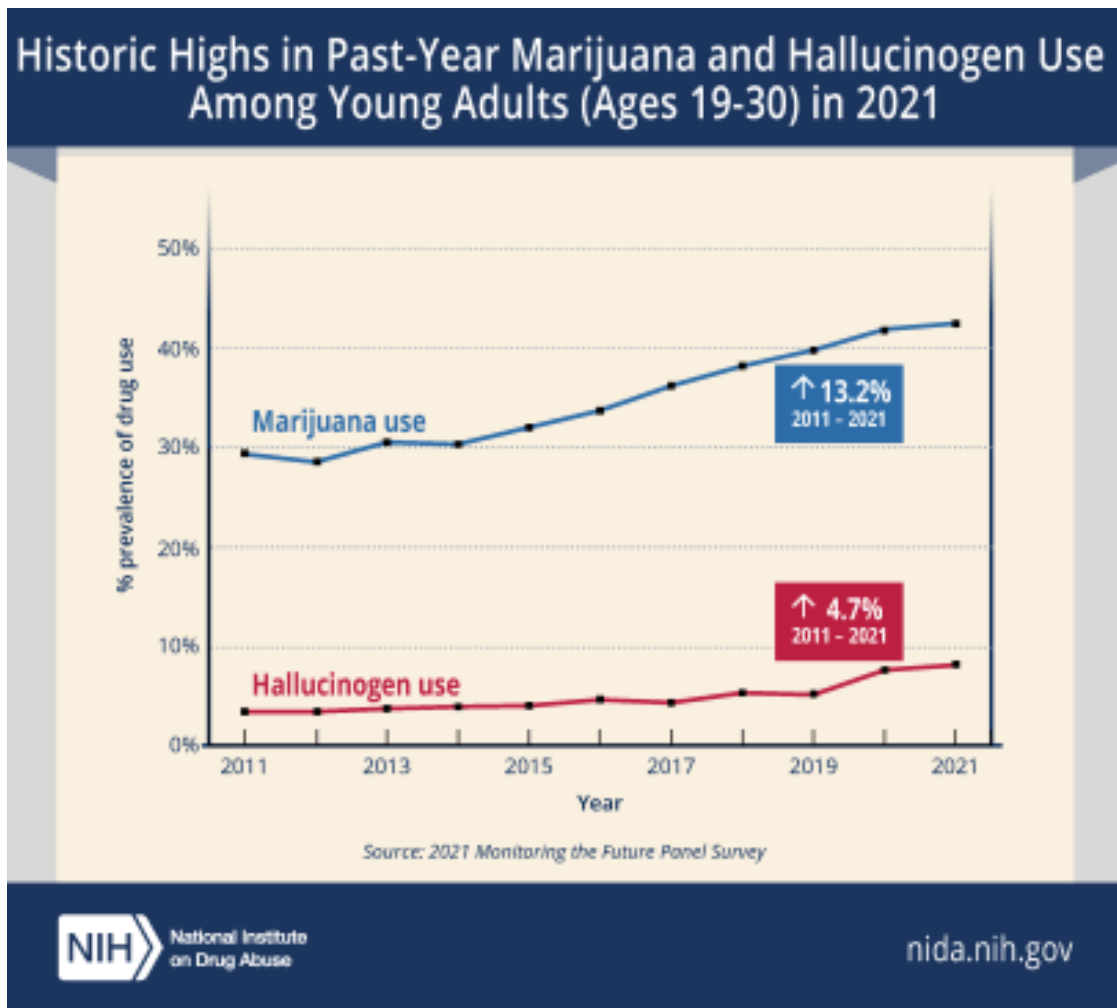


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## 2021 MONITORING THE FUTURE SURVEY RESULTS



The 2021 [Monitoring the Future](#) survey data for young adults (ages 19-30) was collected from April 2021–October 2021. Findings indicate that both hallucinogen use and marijuana use have reached historic highs. Nicotine vaping has also started increasing again after a brief pandemic drop. Read the summary [HERE](#) and the full report (which includes many more data tables) [HERE](#).

## NEWS + RESOURCES

### [Cannabis Smoking Increases The Risk of Suicide Ideation And Suicide Attempt In Young Individuals Of 11-21 Years](#)

Smoking marijuana increased the risk of suicide attempt, suicidal ideation, and suicide planning in young individuals ages 11-21 compared to those who did not smoke. This is according to a meta-analysis of studies conducted up through July 2021. Youth brains are still developing and these individuals are at a higher risk for negative outcomes than adults. Regardless of what people may say, marijuana IS harmful for youth. View the results and conclusions of the meta-analysis [HERE](#).

## UPCOMING TRAININGS AND WEBINARS

### **Lessons From The Field - Transforming Youth Together - Part 2: Implementing Evidence-Based Prevention Programs**

Wednesday, September 7th, 2022 from 3-4:30PM

[Register Now](#)

### **Developing A Youth Coalition & Engaging With The Youth Sector**

Friday, September 9th, 2022 from 11:30AM-12:30PM

[Register Now](#)

### **Effecting Change Through Alcohol Control Policies**

Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 from 11AM-12:30PM

[Register Now](#)

### **Underage Drinking: What's The Big Deal And What Do We Do About It?**

Tuesday, September 27th, 2022 from 11AM-12:30PM

[Register Now](#)

### **Fentanyl Communications: Overcoming Overdose Misconceptions No One Is Talking About**

Wednesday, September 28th, 2022 from 1:30-2:30PM

[Register Now](#)

## FINAL OHIO OVERDOSE DEATH NUMBERS FOR 2021



Dennis Cauchon, President of Harm Reduction Ohio, put together a group of charts that highlights drug overdoses in Ohio over the years. It is important to note how fentanyl has taken over the drug supply, and sadly, led to many more overdose deaths. He tells an interesting story and provides good context surrounding the overdose epidemic. Check out his very informative piece on overdose deaths in Ohio [HERE](#).

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**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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