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## CALLING PREVENTION PROVIDERS

### SFY 2016 Substance Abuse Block Grant Funding Opportunity is Now Available

The Idaho Office of Drug Policy (ODP) is pleased to announce that the State Fiscal Year 2016 Substance Abuse Block Grant Application is now available at: <https://app.wizehive.com/appform/login/iodpSFY2016>

Proposals will be accepted through ODP's online grant application system from: **February 2, 2015 through March 13, 2015.**

To assist eligible entities in preparing proposals, ODP will host a series of Pre-Application Tele-Conferences on the following dates:

February 12, 2015 1:00 PM (MST)

February 13, 2015 3:00 PM (MST)

Note: Space is limited. Please register by 5:00 PM (MST) on Friday, February 6, 2015 at:

[Marianne.king@odp.idaho.gov](mailto:Marianne.king@odp.idaho.gov)

## CADCA ACADEMY WEEK II

Fifteen local Idaho community coalitions gathered for Week II of the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) National Coalition Academy (NCA) from January 12-16.

The Academy is part of a three week training course that all Strategic Prevention

Framework (SPF) grant sub-recipients and other local Idaho community coalitions are participating in to help them better assess, plan, implement, evaluate and sustain environmental strategies for substance abuse prevention at the community level.

The focus areas for the Week II training were:

- Designing and Selecting Interventions
- Strategic & Action Planning
- Evaluation

The Academy will meet again in March to complete the training. Successful coalitions will graduate from the Academy and be honored at a ceremony in Washington D.C. next spring.



*Senator Marv Hagedorn guided Academy participants on a Capitol tour.  
Thank you, Senator!*



*A sample of the content coalitions learned in Week II.*

## NURTURING PARENTS TRAINING

**Who:** Current and newly recruited Nurturing Parenting Program Facilitators

**What:** 3-Day Training conducted by Dr. Stephen J. Bavolek, Ph.D. (program author) including practical, interactive "how to" sessions with Idaho trainer Heather Kemp (National Trainer/Consultant)

**Where:** Spring Hill Suites, Boise, Idaho

**Cost:** No cost for Block Grant sub-recipients

**When:** April 21,22,23, 2015

**Why:** A wonderful opportunity to: understand the philosophy of Nurturing Parenting and how to implement and facilitate the Nurturing Parenting Programs; update skills and materials; and network with other Idaho Nurturing Parenting providers from across the state.

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## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

### Basin School District

"Basin 72 is a rural school district located in the mountains 40 miles northeast of Boise. Drawing primarily from six isolated communities spread over 200 square miles, the district currently has 368 students in preschool through twelfth grade.



*Basin School District Participants*

In February of 1999, the district started an after-school prevention program at the elementary called Prime Time for Kids. Best practice-based mentoring, tutoring, character development and community service learning are incorporated with a variety of activities. The Prime Time for Kids program provides a safe, drug free environment twice a week for children ages six to twelve years old. Approximately thirty five students attend either the two hour Monday or Wednesday after-school sessions. Students are also given a nutritious treat and beverage.

In the 2005 school year, the district integrated the evidence-based program Positive Action into Prime Time for Kids. Students are put into three, twenty minute rotating groups and each participant is given a Positive Action lesson. Lessons include drug and alcohol prevention, character development, and lessons on appropriate behavior to promote positive mental health in the students.

The underlying philosophy of the program is that students feel good about themselves when they are positive members of the larger community. Positive

Action teaches the importance of interconnectedness and supports development in the physical, intellectual, social and emotional areas. While one group is working on Positive Action, another will be working on their homework with an adult tutor, while the third will be involved in an alternative activity, including: community service projects, computer/technology skills, arts and crafts, board games, and lifetime sports. Attendance is very high as the students really enjoy the after school program."

Thanks to Basin School District for the great prevention work they do!

## DRUG TRENDS: EDM CONCERTS



Electronic dance music (EDM) concerts are events featuring electronic music spun by DJs. This popular music genre (among adults and youth alike) has seen a concerning trend in overdose deaths and other risky behavior, both nationwide and in Idaho.

It is important to understand that not all EDM concerts contain drugs and potentially harmful activity; however, it is important to be aware of the activities that may accompany these events.

According to Officer Jermaine Galloway, Boise Police Department, the types of risky behavior displayed at some of these events include open sexual activity, underage drinking, various types of drug use, and mixing of drug and alcohol use. Further, while most events do have some type of security, it depends upon the event center to hire security staff. Requirements for security measures at any event varies by individual city ordinances and code. In the Treasure Valley, Boise Police Department is ramping up efforts for security at EDM concerts, learn more [here](#).

If planning on attending, or you have a child attending, an EDM concert, there are some ways to determine if the event is professional or gives cause for concern.

Galloway recommends:

- Research the event type. Typically concerts won't be listed under the title of EDM, research the specific name of the event.
- Check out the social media pages and website for the event.
- Search for outcomes for the same event in other cities. If the event went poorly, you will find that information.

Galloway says that a simple search will cost 15–20 minutes but could really make a big difference in the experience.

Another tip from Galloway for parents of kids going to an event is to be awake and have a conversation with your child when they come home. Look not only for signs of drug or alcohol use, but also look for behavioral cues that the night did not go well. If your child had a negative experience and is upset, they will be more likely to tell you about it at night, rather than the next day.

**MISSION:** The Idaho Office of Drug Policy leads Idaho's substance abuse policy and prevention efforts by developing and implementing strategic action plans and collaborative partnerships to reduce drug use and related crime, thereby improving the health and safety of all Idahoans.

**VISION:** The Idaho Office of Drug Policy envisions an Idaho free from the devastating social, health, and economic consequences of substance abuse.



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