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Idaho Takes Back 3,068 Lbs.*

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## Project Venture

Recruiting now for the inaugural program

**Empowering Native Youth for the Future..... Starting today**



**National Indian Youth Leadership Project  
Project Venture  
Idaho Youth Leadership Camp  
July 10 - 15, 2016**

This 6 day Native Youth Leadership Camp provides a unique opportunity for youth to build leadership skills and community through the spirit of connection building.

**Location:** Wilderness Gateway on the Lochsa River surrounded by the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness Area



**NIYLP Info :** Please visit our website, [www.niylp.org](http://www.niylp.org) for more information about our organization, programs and staff.

The Idaho Office of Drug Policy is excited to bring Project Venture to Idaho. Project Venture (PV) is an outdoor experiential youth development program designed for high-risk American Indian youth and youth from other ethnic groups. PV aims to prevent substance use and related problems through:

- Classroom-based, problem solving activities
- Outdoor experiential activities
- Adventure camps and treks
- Community-oriented service learning

The program relies on American Indian traditional values to help youth develop positive self-concept, effective social interaction skills, a community service ethic, internal locus of control, and increased decision making and problem-solving skills.

To learn more about the 2016 Idaho camp, contact [sharlene.johnson@odp.idaho.gov](mailto:sharlene.johnson@odp.idaho.gov)

To learn more about the PV program, visit:

[http://www.nhcenterforexcellence.org/pdfs/strategicplans/SAMHSA\\_ModelPrograms\\_ProjectVenture.pdf](http://www.nhcenterforexcellence.org/pdfs/strategicplans/SAMHSA_ModelPrograms_ProjectVenture.pdf)

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## Idaho Takes Back 3,068 Pounds

11th Annual Prescription Drug Take-Back Day a success

Law enforcement agencies and community coalitions across Idaho organized to participate in the Drug Enforcement Administration's 11th Annual Take-Back Day initiative. According to the DEA's website, 447 tons of unwanted prescription medications were collected throughout the United States on April 30th. Of that total, the DEA reports 3,068 pounds were collected from Idaho. Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) funded community coalitions report making up approximately 47% of that amount with 1,456.51 pounds collected on the day of the event. See the full [DEA report here](#).

Take back days and prescription medication drop boxes are important in curtailing the abuse of prescription medication by reducing access to unused, unwanted or expired medications. If you missed your local drug take-back day and need to dispose of prescription medications, [find a drop box near you](#).

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## Order ODP Resource Materials

### Free underage drinking, prescription drug & naloxone materials

The Office of Drug Policy has a variety of education campaign and patient education materials available at no cost. The materials include rack cards and posters for the prescription drug Lock Your Meds campaign, postcards and posters for the Bethereparents.org underage drinking campaign, and naloxone patient education tri-fold brochures for clinicians. To order, please visit [prevention.odp.idaho.gov](http://prevention.odp.idaho.gov).

[Order Materials](#)

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## Block Grant Application UPDATE

SFY 2017 Prevention Block Grant awards will be released Tuesday, May 31, 2016. Look for a comprehensive list of Block Grant providers in the June ODP newsletter.

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## Attend the Northwest Alcohol Conference

### Register today for the July conference

The seventh bi-annual Northwest Alcohol Conference (NOWAC) is set for July 27-29, 2016 in Boise. A main feature of this year's conference is the youth track, which is intended to bring innovative and interactive student leaders (ages 14-18) together to network, discuss alcohol issues, and participate in creative and interactive problem solving round tables.

The general conference is intended for law enforcement, educators and prevention professionals to gain information and training in a variety of alcohol-related topics. Breakout session topics will cover:

- Party Patrols
- Pharmaceutical Drug Abuse
- Alcohol & Party Drugs: The Gateways to Abuse

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- Bar & Overservice Reinforcement
- Youth Alcohol Prevention Programs
- Server Training Programs
- Mock Room Training Exercise
- & Much More!

Date: July 27 (pre-conference sessions)  
July 28 & 29 (regular conference & youth track)

Location: Riverside Hotel, Boise ID

[Learn more about NOWAC](#)

[Register HERE](#)

## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

### Cottonwood Police Department



From left to right: Part-time Officer Wes Walters (works full-time for Grangeville PD), Part-time Officer Jason Rambo (works full-time as a Program Manager for IDOC), Volunteer Officer Danielle Cochran (works full-time as a Deputy for Nez Perce County), Volunteer Jennifer Cochran (works as an EMT for St. Mary's Hospital), Chief Terry Cochran (CPDs only full-time officer)

Cottonwood Police Department is a shining example of an agency that knows how to take a few resources and turn them into large impact. CPD takes a proactive, multi-faceted stance to youth substance abuse prevention in their community. The agency has focused efforts on education and prevention, positive peer pressure, and educating parents and community members on the newest drug and alcohol trends; all while encouraging the community to be involved in finding solutions to the local substance abuse problems.

CPD partners with Cottonwood School District to provide an officer in the schools, and at events where there is a higher risk of delinquent youth behaviors, as well as implementing roving party patrols. They have found that having an officer present and approachable to students and staff has led to a "conduit between the patrol staff and the school staff". Additionally, they utilize a **volunteer** Drug and Alcohol Education Coordinator to educate

and the school staff. Additionally, they utilize a Voluntary Drug and Alcohol Education Coordinator to educate school staff, youth and community members on current alcohol and drug trends.

According to Chief Terry Cochran "We have found that enforcement alone will not solve the problem, it takes a collaborative community approach".

The Office of Drug Policy is proud to fund CPD with a SPF Law Enforcement grant and looks forward to seeing the positive impact CPD will continue to make in their community.

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## Drug Trends

### Parents, prepare for prom and graduation



As teens close out the school year, many exciting and milestone events like prom and graduation take place. These events can also be a time where teens face more pressure to partake in underage drinking. If you and your child haven't come up with a game plan for prom night or graduation, take a look at these articles from [Betheparents.org](https://www.betheparents.org) to learn how to go [beyond the prom dress](#), host an after-[prom or graduation party](#) and more tips to [prevent underage drinking](#).

To receive timely tips and information regarding underage drinking, [subscribe to the Betheparents.org newsletter](#).

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.



*We envision an Idaho free from the devastating social, health,  
and economic consequences of substance abuse.*



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