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FY2018 Substance Abuse Block Grants Awarded

ODP awards \$1.6 million in Block Grant funding

ODP recently awarded approximately \$1.6 million dollars in federal Block Grant funding to community prevention program providers in each of the seven regions of Idaho!

The funding will be used to provide substance abuse prevention services directly to youth, families and other at-risk individuals, and to support community coalition activities designed to reduce the impact of substance abuse on our communities. Programs are scheduled to begin July 1, 2017.

Training and technical assistance related to the new grant year will be coming your way on July 20th and August 7th. Check your email for details.

Thanks also to the dedicated group of professionals who served on our Grant Review Committees in each of the seven regions across the state. Their willingness to share their time, expertise and passion for prevention allowed us to maximize our prevention dollars and support evidence-based programs with a proven track record for success.

[See all ODP Grantees here!](#)

Bonneville Youth Development Council

A POSITIVE norms campaign for youth and families



Contributed by Alisha Passey, BYDC Director

Bonneville Youth Development Council (BYDC) has created a positive social norms campaign for youth and families, called "Be Epic". The goal of the campaign is two-fold:

1. to get youth engaged and involved in our community by showing them places and programs in our community that offer drug-free fun,
2. to engage community members, businesses and resources in promoting fun, safe and sober activities for youth.

Our first launch will be during our youth leadership retreat on August 5th. After this first year, we plan to make it bigger and engage more community members and more youth. Also, we have some follow-up campaigns in the fall and early summer. Teens at the retreat will enroll

youth and family members they know into teams of 4-6 members. Each team will have about 3 hours to complete about 25 quest-like tasks that showcase our community, impact the community in a positive way all the while staying sober and having fun. Each quest will have to be filmed, posted or captured in a picture and posted to "Be Epic" . These quests will be things like:

1. At the Hobby Booth, all team members must share a hobby or skill others may like to learn.
2. Walk the river and share your favorite place to sit and think.
3. Go to a local park and pick up trash. Take a picture of what you found.
4. Go to Possibly Picasso and paint a ceramic. Take a picture of your creation.
5. Go to Katie Curly Park and play the RX Abuse Survivor game and share one fact about RX abuse you didn't know before.

Stay tuned and check out BYDC's Facebook and Instagram accounts on August 5th to see what our youth are up to.

9th Annual Sun Valley Road Rally

Looking for a great summer event to attend? The Sun Valley Raceway is the place to go.



The 9th Annual Sun Valley Road Rally in Blaine County provides support to The Drug Coalition, a local non-profit that strives to improve the health and safety of the community by actively developing programs and strategies for preventing underage substance abuse.

Attend [The Sun Valley Cruise and Block Party](#) for a fun, no-cost event for the whole family, presenting some of the most exotic cars that North America has ever seen. Up to 200 cars will meander a five-mile scenic route around Sun Valley and finish at the Festival Meadow on Sun Valley Road, where spectators will see some of the hottest rides in the country. The evening is concluded with the raffling off of a brand new Jeep Wrangler Unlimited to one lucky winner.

Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS)

NEW Requirement for Office of Drug Policy Grantees

The Office of Drug Policy is proud to support the substance abuse prevention work occurring at the community level throughout the state of Idaho. As new information regarding substance use and associated disorders develops, ODP firmly believes that professionalizing and empowering the prevention workforce is key to combatting the issues facing Idaho. The Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS) is one of the fastest growing credentials in behavioral health; it distinguishes substance abuse professionals that have demonstrated competency through experience, education, and supervision. As such, beginning July 1, 2018, at least one staff member in each agency or organization receiving ODP grant funding to deliver direct services or coalition activities will hold the CPS credential.

Prior to the deadline, ODP is offering an additional training opportunity through the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) to ensure that all current grantees have the opportunity to gain knowledge

in each competency area in preparation for the CPS exam. The training is underway, but it is not too late to register for any of the upcoming webinars! Follow the [link](#) to register.

In an effort to ensure clear communication and provide support for grantees obtaining the CPS, ODP created a [CPS webpage](#) to help grant recipients find answers to frequently asked questions and learn more about the credential and upcoming training opportunities. Please take a few moments to review the webpage and feel free to submit your own questions about the requirement to Info@ODP.idaho.gov.

DRUG TRENDS

Nasal spray saves life

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By BRIAN WALKER – Staff Writer

POST FALLS – The bad news is, he woke up with two police officers staring down at him.

The good news? He woke up.

A 22-year-old man is the first person to be revived from a heroin overdose since Post Falls Police began carrying a nasal spray three weeks ago. He said he has a newfound appreciation for life – and officers.

"Normally I haven't been a person to like police, but I'm thankful and feel differently toward them now," said the Post Falls man, who spoke to The Press on Monday under the condition of anonymity.

"I'm definitely going to find treatment."

Post Falls Police Chief Scot Haug said when officers responded to the home on Saturday, the man wasn't breathing, his eyes were slightly open and he was sweaty.

"There were indications that he was passing or had just passed," Haug said. "On this kind of overdose, about 75 percent of the time, CPR is not successful when it is administered. It is our belief that (the opioid "antagonist" Narcan) saved this person's life."

The man said he remembers getting water and going to his room to lie on his bed.

"I woke up to two cops above me," he said.

The man said he was startled to see the police and was confused about why they were there.

"I got loud with them, then put two and two together," he said.

Haug said the man's wife found that he had overdosed on heroin, so she called police. Within a minute of an officer administering Narcan, the man was fully alert, walking and talking, Haug said.

Police in Post Falls respond to most medical calls and arrive on scene sooner than medical personnel about half of the time, Haug said. He said medics arrived six minutes after the first officer in this case.

"Six minutes may not sound like a long time, but when somebody is not breathing, six minutes can be the difference between life and death," Haug said.

The man said the only side effects he had after being revived were a headache and chest pain, likely from his wife trying to revive him.

"It was a lot like normal in terms of waking up," he said, adding he declined to be transported to the hospital for treatment.

He said he's thankful police started carrying Narcan.

"If I was that far out, it could've been bad for me," he said.

The man said he's carrying a lot of guilt after putting his wife through the scary moments.

Haug said he thinks PFPD and the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office are the first local law enforcement agencies to carry Narcan on the street. Others are in various stages of exploration.

Medics have carried Narcan for years. Kootenai County Fire and Rescue trained the law enforcement agencies on its usage. The spray is a way that responders have been dealing with the nationwide heroin "tsunami."

Haug said he's come full circle on whether to have officers carry the nasal spray.

"Several years ago I was of the opinion that it's not a police issue," he said. "Then, as I started to research this and see what has been happening across the country, we have an obligation.

"If we know there is a tool, you can administer it with little to no side effects and, if cost is the only thing that's in the way, we need to make it happen. That's why I had a change of heart."

Each application costs \$45 and the shelf life is 18 months.

Haug said Post Falls' first purchase for the spray was nearly \$3,000. The KCSO uses drug seizure funds to pay for it, and Haug said Post Falls will

consider that avenue in the future as the first shipment was funded through the department's regular budget.

Haug said when officers apply Narcan to patients, the patients are not charged for the spray.

"This is a brand-new program and we do not anticipate using it a lot," he said. "I'm not sure we'd even have a mechanism to charge (like medical services does)."

KCFR treated 32 patients in 2016 with Narcan.

Opponents of police using Narcan have said the availability could give addicts a false sense of security and prompt them to push the limits with heroin even more.

"I don't know if that is the case or not, but all I can say is that in this incident and previous ones, (the spray) is saving people's lives," Haug said.

Because no heroin was found at the scene, the man wasn't charged with a crime related to his overdose. However, police records show he was cited for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

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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