

# Community Prevention & Wellness Initiative

Partners for Healthy Communities



**Coalition Mission**  
Through community collaborative efforts, we support, advocate and guide community change that reduces substance abuse and its associated negative consequences.

## About the Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI)

CPWI is a partnership of state agencies, counties, schools, and local prevention coalitions supporting communities in preventing alcohol and other drug abuse and its negative consequences. CPWI priorities include reducing underage drinking, marijuana use and opioid misuse/abuse among middle and high school aged youth. By providing evidence-based practices and promoting the positive changes in communities, we can build healthier communities. Together, we can build a healthier Moses Lake.

## About the Coalition: Community & Partners Working Together

Formed in 2012, the Moses Lake Community Coalition is a grassroots volunteer organization dedicated to improving the health and wellness of our community by reversing risk factors that influence underage drinking and other substance use. We are a community-based, diverse representation that promotes collaboration to locally implement alcohol and other drug prevention within Moses Lake, WA.

## We Need You!

Our Coalition depends on people just like you. We are your friends, neighbors and colleagues that work together on an issue too big for any one person or agency to address on their own.

The Coalition and our partners use various data sets, like the Healthy Youth Survey, to guide and strategically target effective programming and strategies that make a impactful difference for youth and families in Moses Lake.

Despite our progress, we still have a lot of work to do to keep our kids healthy. We meet monthly and will always have a place at the table for you!



## Coalition Meetings

**What:**

Moses Lake Community Coalition

**Time:**

12:00PM to 1:00PM

**When:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month

**Where:**

Grant Integrated Services

840 E Plum St

Moses Lake, WA

(Currently meeting via ZOOM)

**Please,  
Join Us!**

## About Our Community

Moses Lake has a population of 22,000, while it is surrounding population, which attends the schools in Moses Lake School District, increases that to 40,000. Moses Lake is served by one community college, one high school, one technical skills center, three middle schools and ten elementary schools. In 2019 the school district had a total student count of 8,513. (MLSD)

Our membership brings together a broad cross section of the community and is comprised of adult volunteers, school staff, businesses, faith communities, local government, law enforcement, social services, substance use disorder treatment agencies, media and youth serving organizations.

The youth coalition (Youth Action Team) is comprised of Moses Lake High School students and is advised by one member of the adult coalition.

## About Prevention Programs in our Community

Moses Lake Community Coalition's participation in CPWI has already resulted in substantial local benefits. Coalition programs include:

- PAX-Good Behavior Game: social/emotional learning-trauma informed classroom practices
- Youth Action Team/Project Success: SUD prevention club at MLHS and Student Assistant Professional (Leigh Allison Ray) SUD referrals/SASSI/Supports
- Community "healthy alternative activities:" we partner with community groups to provide healthy activities for you- (read this "we have FUNDS to support your activities")
- Social Norm campaigns: to send clear messages on expectations and attitudes toward problem behaviors, alcohol, and other drug use.
- Positive Action: promotes positive learning environments while developing students' abilities to self-regulate.
- Trauma Informed policy work: closing the demographic disparities in exclusionary practices. Promoting trauma-informed response, restorative practices, and education.

All Coalition programs are evaluated for effectiveness through the administration of validated pre- and post-test survey instruments.



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