

# Community Prevention & Wellness Initiative

Partners for Healthy Communities

## Coalition Mission

Youth, families, and community working together to prevent underage substance use and abuse.

## Vision Statement

Community-supported youth making healthy choices.



**Empowered Teens Coalition**

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**Chimacum, WA**



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

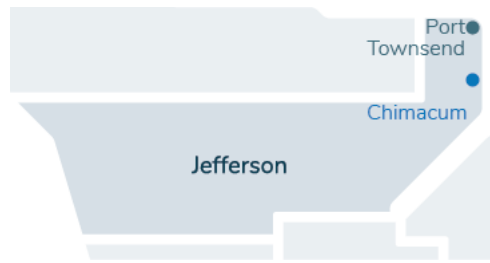
CPWI is a partnership of state agencies, counties, schools and local prevention coalitions supporting communities in preventing alcohol and other drug abuse and its negative consequences. CPWI priorities include reducing underage drinking, marijuana use and opioid misuse/abuse among middle and high school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

### About the Coalition: Communities & Schools Working Together

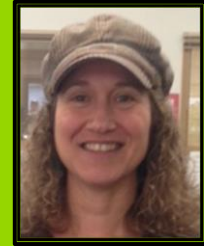
The Empowered Teens Coalition is a collaboration with the Chimacum School District and the Olympic Educational Service District 114, and is funded by the Department of Behavioral Health and Recovery. Jefferson County Public Health provides fiscal oversight of the Coalition's state and federal funding.

The Coalition is a volunteer alcohol, tobacco, and other drug prevention advocacy organization that brings community members together to reduce youth substance misuse and abuse in the geographic area specific to the Chimacum School District. Members represent 12 community sectors including youth, parents, schools, businesses, healthcare professionals, youth-serving agencies, civic/volunteer groups, local government, religious/fraternal organizations, media, and law enforcement. Volunteers guide decision-making, evaluate data, participate in direct service opportunities, and promote the Coalition's efforts in their community sectors.

We welcome new volunteers! If you are interested in becoming involved, contact Denise Banker at 360-385-9438 or [dbanker@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:dbanker@co.jefferson.wa.us)



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## About Our Community

Chimacum is a rural, unincorporated community in eastern Jefferson County, on the Olympic Peninsula. It was named after the Chimacum group of Native Americans who lived there until the late 19th century. It is an agricultural area with many small farms and a farmers market. The Chimacum School District serves the unincorporated communities of East Jefferson County to the south of Port Townsend and north of Quilcene, including Chimacum, Port Hadlock, Irondale, Marrowstone Island, Oak Bay, Paradise Bay, Port Ludlow, and Shine.

Zoning: Rural

Population: 836 students

White 81.1%

Hispanic/Latino any race(s) 8.7%

2 or more races 8.1%

N. Hawaiian/Pacific Island 0.2%

Asian 1.0%

American Indian & Alaska Native 0.6%

Black/African American 0.2%

Free/Reduced meals 53.5% (AUG 2020)

Unemployment: Jeff. Co. – 6.4%, State 4.5%\*

Median household income: Jeff. Co. 2019– \$54,904, State – \$73,294\*

Poverty Rate: Jeff. Co. 2019– 12.8%, State – 11.0%

Transportation: Limited public transportation.

\*Source: Chimacum School District OSPI Data from Spring 2018-2019

\*Economic: OFM.wa.gov / Employment numbers do not reflect COVID-19 data

Goals: Increase community cohesion; educate youth and community of risks of underage alcohol and other drug abuse; increase family management skills.

Members include educators, business leaders, public health educators, librarians, pastors, local government, parents, youth, and more.

The Empowered Teens Coalition is strengthened by the dedication of its volunteer members. We are eager to serve the school district with evidence-based alcohol and other drug education programs.

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