

# Community Prevention & Wellness Initiative

Partners for Healthy Communities

## Coalition Mission

The mission of the Reardan-Edwall Communities Alliance for Prevention (RECAP) Coalition is to address substance use in the Reardan-Edwall School District communities by implementing sustainable prevention strategies that will reduce substance use and promote healthy and safe communities.



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## RECAP Reardan-Edwall Communities Alliance for Prevention Coalition Reardan, 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

RECAP was founded in July 2012 and was tasked with completing a comprehensive strategic plan to identify risk and protective factors that lead to substance use, as well as strategies to decrease substance use within our communities. Coalition members are truly invested grassroots community members that are coming together to make a difference.

RECAP members represent several sectors in our community: law enforcement, local government, faith based groups, education, civic groups, tribal, parents, youth, business, and media.

RECAP meets the last Tuesday of every month from 7:00–8:00 am at the Reardan Presbyterian Church. Please join us to learn more about the positive prevention movement in the Reardan-Edwall Communities!



## About Our Community

Founded in 1882, Reardan was named for Central Washington Railroad engineer C.F. Reardan. Reardan was incorporated on April 14, 1903.

The town is home to the elementary/middle/high school serving the Reardan-Edwall School District, covering over 360 square miles in Lincoln and Spokane counties. The slough north of town, known as Audubon Lake, is well known among birders as a busy stop on the Pacific Northwest flyway and features public facilities for viewers. A Hutterite colony settled in the area in 1961.

Mule Days has been celebrated on the first Saturday in June for over 50 years. The celebration features a kiddie parade, main parade, entertainment and games for kids at the park, three-on-three basketball, food and craft fair at the park, community BBQ luncheon, and Mule Days community dance.

Our greatest challenges are underage drinking, marijuana use, youth anxiety/depression and the impact it will have on our communities. One of RECAP's most prominent strengths is that many of our members are actively involved and we have strong youth participation.

## About Prevention Programs in our Community

**Goals & Strategies:** Decrease youth access to alcohol and other drugs; increase perception that youth will get caught if they use and that there will be consequences applied; and change community norms about underage drinking, marijuana use and prescription drug abuse.

**Program Names/Who Will Be Served:** *LifeSkills* Training Program, Too Good For Drugs, Project SUCCESS, WDFY Social Norms, PAX Good Behavior Game, Parenting with Love & Logic, Family Night Out program, and policy review & development. Our programs are aimed at serving students, families, and communities.

**How results will be measured and reported:** Programs will be thoroughly evaluated (*pre/posttests*) and the results will be reviewed no less than annually to determine effectiveness.

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