

Community Prevention & Wellness Initiative

Partners for Healthy Communities

Coalition Mission

“Youth, family, and community members collaborating to prevent youth substance use and abuse.”

Coalition Vision

“Empowered teens and our community living healthy lives.”

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Empowered Teens Coalition Port Townsend



About the Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI)

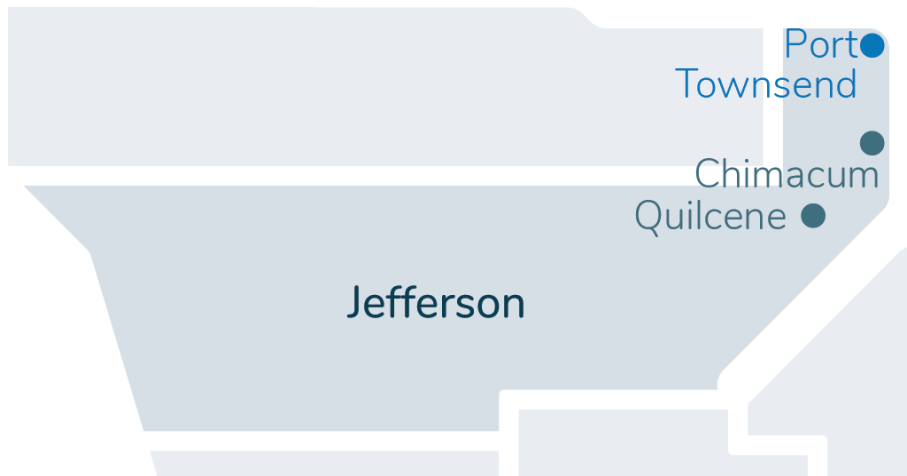
CPWI is a partnership of state agencies, counties, schools and local prevention coalitions supporting communities in preventing alcohol and other drug abuse and its negative consequences. CPWI priorities include reducing underage drinking, marijuana use and opioid misuse/abuse among middle and high school 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 Port Townsend Empowered Teens Coalition is a collaboration with the Port Townsend School District and the Olympic Educational Service District 114, and is funded by the Health Care Authority Department of Behavioral Health and Recovery. Jefferson County Public Health provides fiscal oversight of the Coalition's state and federal funding.

The Port Townsend Empowered Teens 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 Port Townsend 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 Lindsay Scalf at 360.385.9419 or lscalf@co.jefferson.wa.us



About Our Community

Port Townsend is a historic Victorian Seaport in East Jefferson County on the Olympic Peninsula in Washington State. The Port Townsend School District had 1,153 students enrolled for the 2020-2021 school year, with a community population of 14,996. Situated on the northeastern most extent of the Olympic Peninsula- the Quimper Peninsula, Port Townsend is uniquely influenced by maritime culture, tourism, and the agricultural developments of Jefferson County. Jefferson County is also home to two other CPWI coalitions in Chimacum and Quilcene.

About Prevention Programs in our Community

Goals

1. Decrease favorable attitudes toward substance use
2. Decrease community norms favorable to youth substance use
3. Decrease the availability of substances, including perceived availability among teens
4. Reduce community disorganization
5. Increase positive attitudes of family management practices
6. Increase family bonding, opportunity, skills, and recognition

Strategies

- School based substance use prevention counseling and education
- Evidence-based parenting program (Guiding Good Choices)
- Positive social norms campaign
- Public awareness campaign
- Policy investigation
- Social and Emotional learning program (Positive Action)
- Nurse Family Partnership program
- Drug Take Back events
- Vaping Prevention Education
- Community engagement

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