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## Prevention Coalition of Huron County Meeting Minutes March 10, 2026

### Present:

- **In Person:** Bethany Chime, Clear Minds Coaching & Counseling; Paige Snyder, Huron County Public Health; Grace Habeck, Huron County Public Health; Nicole Marks, Huron County Public Health; Dave Ditz, Huron County Sheriff's Office; Michelle Aplin, Willard City Schools; Arika Speicher, EHOVE; Alexis Fleming, Firelands Counseling and Recovery Services; Nicole Williams, Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Ottawa, Sandusky, and Wyandot Counties; Rylee Pickens, Love Grows Love; Kelly Copsey, Goodwill Industries; Sue Wilson, Family Life Counseling & Psychiatric Services; Jackie White, Norwalk City Schools
- **Microsoft Teams:** Renee Leber, The Caring Collective; Maria 'Max' Maxwell, Family Life Counseling & Psychiatric Services; Angel Young, Bellevue City Schools; Erika Luevano, Live Up Behavioral Health; Kaitlyn Bryant, Live Up Behavioral Health; Matt Roche, Norwalk Ohio News; Jessica Hamilton, Huron County Veterans Services; Ryan Williams, Goodwill Industries

### Grant Updates:

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH)'s Youth Suicide Prevention (YS) Grant:

- The selected "Tier 1" activity is reducing access to lethal means. HCPH ordered 50 gun safes this quarter. Please let Paige know if your agency is interested in distributing safes. HCPH has locking medication bags available. Please let Paige know if your agency is interested in distributing these bags. If you are a current partner for Tier 1, you will not need a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), as similar products are specified in the currently signed MOU.
- The selected "Tier 2" activity is Counseling on Access to Lethal Means (CALM) training. Huron County Public Health continues to look for new partners. HCPH may plan a county-wide CALM training and invite all agencies instead of doing training across multiple agencies.
- The selected "Tier 3" activity is the SOS (Signs of Suicide) Program. Norwalk plans to implement in this semester of the 2025-2026 school year. No update on Monroeville's implementation.

Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) Grant:

- The Youth Summit was on March 3, 2026. Paige attended. Niki Cross attended with 5 A.R.I.S.E. members. Huron County had 15 total students attend the Youth Summit.

The Drug Free Communities (DFC) Grant:

- No updates for the DFC grant at this time.

## Prevention Funding from Mental Health and Addiction Services (MHAS) Board:

- Huron County Public Health recently received 3 grants from MHAS:
  - State Prevention Block Grant: \$33,414.00; current funding period July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.
  - Federal Prevention Block Grant: \$44,004.00; current funding period July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.
  - Project Gambling: \$19,456.00; current funding period July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.

## General Prevention Updates:

- Those interested in receiving prevention credentials can reach out to Paige and she will connect you with Jamie Belcher from Sandusky County. Prevention credits and social work credits cannot be earned simultaneously. *Link for more information: [Prevention | Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board](#).*
- **Send any information you want in the April newsletter to Paige by end of day Monday, March 30, 2026.**
- HCPH is ordering bracelets for prom for Huron County Schools. [Alcohol Awareness Bracelet - Sober Is The Vibe | NIMCO, Inc.](#)
- The Funding Survey responses will be used for ideas on how to spend the new prevention grant funding. Please email Paige with any additional prevention specific ideas. Please note not all ideas may be fulfilled.
- Kelly from Goodwill shared updates.
  - They are working on getting the homeless shelter open, this will be for youth aged 18-24. Applications for the shelter will go to Breanna.
- Project Noelle is doing Easter Baskets this year. [Home | Project Noelle](#)
- Paige is working on updating the Community Commitment letter for graduation season. Multiple superintendents and law enforcement have agreed to sign the letter again. It was suggested we reach out to mayors, EHOVE, and Townsend school to see if they are interested in signing the 2026 letter.
- Kaitlyn Bryant and Erika Luevano from Live Up Behavioral Health presented their agency.
  - [Client Intake Form](#)
  - <https://liveupbh.com/>
  - Kaitlyn's contact information: [bryantk@liveupbh.com](mailto:bryantk@liveupbh.com)

## Upcoming Events/Trainings/Reminders:

- Operation Street Smart Ohio: April 14, 2026, 10am-1pm @ Norwalk High School Fisher-Titus Learning Center **There are 77 slots still open for this event.** Register here [Street Smart: Ohio Tickets, Tue, Apr 14, 2026 at 10:00 AM | Eventbrite](#).
- Fresh Start Charity 5k & 1-mile Fun Run: April 25, 2026, 10am @ Norwalk Reservoir Shelter 4
- Townsend Community School Family Night: April 27, 2026, 5pm-7pm @ 207 Lowell St., Castalia, OH