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**Eric J. Holcomb, Governor**  
**David R. Murtaugh, Executive Director**

November 16, 2017

Wells County Board of Commissioners  
102 West Market, Suite 205  
Bluffton, Indiana 46714

Dear President,

I am pleased to notify you Substance Abuse Services Division staff has reviewed and recommended approval of your county's Comprehensive Community Plan. A copy of the approved plan update is enclosed. This plan will remain as the approved plan until you are notified Indiana Criminal Justice Institute has approved an updated or new plan.

Approval of the plan is the first step necessary for making allocations from the County Drug Free Communities Fund, (I.C. 5-2-11). A full plan or a plan update must be approved within the past 12 months in order for the Local Coordinating Council to access the fund.

Your Local Coordinating Council has developed a county-wide strategy for making your community a safer and healthier place to reside by addressing the problems associated with alcohol and other drug abuse. They have volunteered many hours to ensure the problems are addressed in a coordinated manner so available resources are not wasted. Your support is vital to their success. Pursuant to I.C. 5-2-11-5, the Commissioners are responsible for appropriating the funds to carry out the recommended actions contained the LCC's Comprehensive Drug Free Communities Plan approved by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the Comprehensive Community Plan, please contact your Local Coordinating Council. Thank you for playing a vital role in the statewide effort to mobilize communities for a drug free Indiana.

Sincerely,

David R. Murtaugh  
Executive Director  
Indiana Criminal Justice Institute

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Cc: LCC Contact

# Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

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## Comprehensive Community Plan

**County: Wells**

**LCC: Citizens Against Drug Abuse (CADA)**

**Date Due: October 31, 2017**

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**New Plan**       **Plan Update**



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## Plan Summary

**Mission Statement:** The mission of Wells County Citizens Against Drug Abuse (CADA) is to investigate alcohol, tobacco, and other drug problems in our community; coordinate efforts to reduce these problems; and examine funding of programs designed to achieve this goal.

**History:** Wells County CADA was established October 24, 1988 by the Prosecutor, Chief of Police, Detectives, and a Board of Directors made up of local law enforcers. This group of volunteers examined the drug culture and determined the need for better drug trafficking to deter and reduce drug problems. The original Board of Directors solicited funds from private citizens, businesses, and key leaders to help purchase equipment and to provide training and money for undercover drug purchases.

A year later, the Governor's Commission for a Drug-Free Indiana was established. The mission of CADA and the Governor's Commission intertwined, so CADA became the Local Coordinating Council (LCC) for Wells County. Prior to 2005, CADA was comprised solely of volunteers, whose primary function was the distribution of the Local Drug Free Community Fund. In 2005, a coordinator was hired to follow through with administrative and other miscellaneous duties of CADA. In 2013, CADA began contracting with an independent consultant to review and update the comprehensive plan; compile and submit quarterly reports; and to ensure overall compliance with the state.

At the time of the 2010 census, there were 27,636 people living in Wells County. The population is 97.3% Caucasian and 2% Hispanic. All other ethnic groups comprise less than 1% of the population. Wells County is essentially a rural community. Bluffton is the largest city with a population of 9,897; Ossian is next in size with 3,289 people. The median household income for Wells County is \$47,202. The primary type of industry present in the county is manufacturing. The largest percentages of occupations were classified as production, transportation, and material-moving occupations.

**Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:** In September 2015, an electronic survey was distributed throughout the community in order to identify the needs in Wells County related to substance abuse education, prevention and treatment services. The survey consisted of 10 questions. It was designed to help guide CADA in strategic planning and determine the best use of the limited resources in the community. Significant findings from those surveyed were as follows:

- 25% have been unable to receive or find TREATMENT services in Wells County
- 18.75% have been unable to access necessary PREVENTATIVE or EDUCATIONAL services in Wells County
- 39.24% have been unable to receive TREATMENT, PREVENTATIVE services or EDUCATION services in Wells County due to the financial cost
- 68.42% feel that the services in Wells County do not sufficiently address ADOLESCENT substance abuse issues

- The statement chosen to best describe the substance abuse programming in Wells County:
  - 22.78% more EDUCATIONAL programs are needed
  - 29.11% more PREVENTATIVE programs are needed
  - 48.10% more TREATMENT programs are needed
- 77.22% feel substance abuse would decline if low cost TREATMENT, PREVENTIVE or EDUCATIONAL options were available in Wells County

A committee was formed to review the survey results, assess the data in the current comprehensive plan and to determine the direction for the a new 3-year community comprehensive plan. Members of the committee included law enforcement, probation, social services and treatment.

**The following problem statements for CADA were developed:**

- 1) Alcohol, tobacco and other drug use in Wells County is problematic**
- 2) There is a lack of affordable resources and an ongoing need for ATOD education, prevention, and treatment services in Wells County**

CADA membership is increasing and monthly meetings are becoming more informational and collaborative. CADA and its members have increased their visibility and involvement in the community through various events the past few years. CADA members serve on many other boards and committees, host or attend events and distribute materials related to ATOD's. In 2008, CADA began appreciating local citizens through an annual awards luncheon. During the luncheon awards are given to recognize outstanding individuals or groups in the categories of: Professional Leader, Volunteer Leader, and Friend of CADA. The awards luncheon is highlighted in the daily newspaper and also posted online. In 2009, CADA started a website <http://www.wellscounty.org/cada.htm> to inform the community about CADA bylaws, officers, members, meetings, grant applications, and awards.

We are in the process of collaborating with another group (WRAPP – Wells Resources Available for Providers and People) that has independently discussed issues related to substance abuse. Our plan is to use our mutual discussions to evaluate and update our comprehensive plan and to periodically review and determine progress made towards the goals and objectives set forth. Out of these discussions and collaboration, a Substance Use Protocol Manual for Wells County was developed and widely distributed in November 2014 to serve as a resource for information, intervention, and treatment of ATOD's.

## Membership List

**County LCC Name: Citizens Against Drug Abuse (CADA)**

| #  | Name              | Organization                               | Race      | Gender | Category           |
|----|-------------------|--|-----------|--------|--------------------|
| 1  | Andrews, Vicki    | Southern Wells Community Schools           | Caucasian | F      | Education          |
| 2  | Bell, Vicki       | Wells Community Boys and Girls Club        | Caucasian | F      | Youth              |
| 3  | Carnall, Andrew   | Wells County Prosecutor's Office           | Caucasian | M      | Judiciary          |
| 4  | Cole, John        | Family Centered Services / Systems Of Care | Caucasian | M      | Self-Help          |
| 5  | Collier, Betsy    | Council on Aging Wells on Wheels           | Caucasian | F      | Civic Organization |
| 6  | Dial, Angie       | Family Centered Services / Teen Court      | Caucasian | F      | Prevention         |
| 7  | Ellis, Andrew     | Bluffton Police Department                 | Caucasian | M      | Law Enforcement    |
| 8  | Gerber, Linda     | Parents Against Drug Abuse                 | Caucasian | F      | Self-Help          |
| 9  | Gerber, Terry     | Parents Against Drug Abuse                 | Caucasian | M      | Self-Help          |
| 10 | Glover, Jade      | Family Centered Services                   | Caucasian | F      | Self-Help          |
| 11 | Hill, Alicia      | House of Hope Northeast Indiana            | Caucasian | F      | Treatment          |
| 12 | Hoag, Molly       | Purdue Extension Wells County Office       | Caucasian | F      | Prevention         |
| 13 | Holderman, Deane' | Department of Child Services               | Caucasian | F      | Government         |
| 14 | Huss, Nathan      | Bluffton Police Department                 | Caucasian | M      | Law Enforcement    |
| 15 | McFarren, Heather | Helping Hands Pregnancy Resource Center    | Caucasian | F      | Self-Help          |
| 16 | Mettler, Rick     | Bluffton Middle School                     | Caucasian | M      | Education          |
| 17 | Misch, Mark       | Norwell High School                        | Caucasian | M      | Education          |
| 18 | Moon, Joan        | Community Advocate / Nurse Midwife         | Caucasian | F      | Parent             |
| 19 | Morrison, Stacy   | Bluffton High School                       | Caucasian | F      | Education          |
| 20 | Peipenbrink, Rick | Wells County EMS                           | Caucasian | M      | Medical            |
| 21 | Rediger, Nicole   | Wells County Health Department             | Caucasian | F      | Medical            |
| 22 | Redwine, Charles  | Dockside Services                          | Caucasian | M      | Treatment          |
| 23 | Runyon, Valerie   | Park Center Bluffton Office                | Caucasian | F      | Treatment          |
| 24 | Sherer, Roger     | Purdue Extension Wells County Office       | Caucasian | M      | Youth              |

|           |                          |  |                  |          |                        |
|-----------|--------------------------|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|
| <b>25</b> | <b>Taylor, Jana</b>      | <b>Adams/Wells<br/>Crisis Center</b>         | <b>Caucasian</b> | <b>F</b> | <b>Self-Help</b>       |
| <b>26</b> | <b>Tucker, Stephanie</b> | <b>Ossian Police<br/>Department</b>          | <b>Caucasian</b> | <b>F</b> | <b>Law Enforcement</b> |
| <b>27</b> | <b>Werich, Greg</b>      | <b>Wells County Probation<br/>Department</b> | <b>Caucasian</b> | <b>M</b> | <b>Judiciary</b>       |
| <b>28</b> | <b>Wilson, Tim</b>       | <b>Norwell Middle<br/>School</b>             | <b>Caucasian</b> | <b>M</b> | <b>Education</b>       |

## Problem Identification

### A. Problem Statement #1: Alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use in Wells County is problematic.

### B. Supportive Data:

1. According to the statistics from the 2014 Indiana Prevention Resource Center student survey, monthly tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and prescription drug use increases dramatically during the middle school and high school years. Statistics from the Northeast Region (LaGrange, Steuben, Noble, DeKalb, Whitley, Allen, Huntington, Adams, Wells) vary only slightly from the statewide numbers (IPRC, Indiana Youth Survey)

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|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|
|                     | Indiana               | Northeast IN | Indiana               | Northeast IN | Indiana                | Northeast IN |
| cigarettes          | 1.7%                  | 1.1%         | 9.3%                  | 7.3%         | 17.6%                  | 18.5%        |
| alcohol             | 3.8%                  | 3.4%         | 17.1%                 | 17.8%        | 33.9%                  | 27.5%        |
| marijuana           | 1.3%                  | 1.1%         | 9.4%                  | 7.6%         | 17.6%                  | 16.6%        |
| synthetic marijuana | 0.4%                  | 0%           | 2.1%                  | 0%           | 2.2%                   | 1.6%         |
| prescription drugs  | 0.7%                  | 0.4%         | 3.0%                  | 2.3%         | 5.0%                   | 4.2%         |
| heroin              | 0.2%                  | 0%           | 0.5%                  | 1.5%         | 0.7%                   | 0%           |

2. Random student drug testing results for the 2014-2015 school year are:

Bluffton High School:

- a. 165 tests (96.5%) of all random tests (171) had a negative result
- b. 4 tests (2.3%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 2 tests (1.2%) of all random tests had a positive result for marijuana
- d. 5 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use; 2 had a positive result for drugs (1 marijuana and 1 heroin)

Bluffton Middle School:

- a. 58 tests (96.7%) of all random tests (60) had a negative result
- b. 2 tests (3.3%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use

Southern Wells Jr/Sr High School:

- a. 87 tests (97.8%) of all random tests (89) had a negative result
- b. 2 tests (2.2%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use

Norwell High School:

- a. 140 tests (100%) of all random tests (140) had a negative result
- b. NHS does not currently screen for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 2 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use; both had a positive result for marijuana

Norwell Middle School:

- a. 52 tests (100%) of all random tests (52) had a negative result
- b. NMS does not currently screen for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs

- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use
3. Wells County Schools reported 83 suspensions and expulsions in 2013-2014, 18 (21.7%) of them were related to alcohol, drugs or weapons (Indiana Department of Education, Annual School Performance Reports)
  4. Wells County Department of Child Services reported a total of 92 CHINS cases throughout 2014
  5. In 2014, there were 897 oral screens administered to DCS clients; of those tested, 284 (31.7%) tested positive for drugs including: 55 amphetamine, 69 methamphetamine, 70 THC, 3 cocaine, 78 opiates, 16 benzodiazepines, 1 barbiturates, 94 methadone, 38 oxycodone, 2 tramadol (Wells County Department of Child Services)
  6. Indiana's adult smoking prevalence (21.9%) is the 12<sup>th</sup> highest in the nation. It is also significantly higher than the US prevalence of 19.0%. An estimated 11,100 Hoosiers die annually from smoking-attributable causes. (The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2014 / IU Center for Health Policy)
  7. In 2014, the tobacco outlet density for Wells County was 1.4/1,000 residents (39 tobacco outlets) and 1.34/1,000 residents (8,783 tobacco outlets) for the State of Indiana; the alcohol outlet density for Wells County was 1.01/1,000 residents (28 alcohol licenses) and 1.66/1,000 residents (10,961 alcohol licenses) for the State of Indiana (Indiana Prevention Resource Center, County Profiles Data)
  8. In 2014, 1 location in Wells County received a violation during a tobacco compliance check and 1 location received 3 violations during an alcohol compliance check (Indiana State Excise Police)
  9. There were 574 instances of adult crime in Wells County in 2014 (BPD:309, WCSD:213, OPD:52)
  10. The number of DUI arrests made in Wells County was 100 in 2014; 17.4% of all adult crime (BPD:32, WCSD:61, OPD:7)
  11. The number of drug arrests made in Wells County was 44 (BPD:24, WCSD:18, OPD:2) in 2014; 39 (BPD:22, WCSD:15, OPD:2) for possession and 5 (BPD:2, WCSD:3, OPD:0) for dealing
  12. DETECT (Adams/Wells Drug Task Force) note the following activity in 2014: investigated a total of 29 cases and arrested 20 individuals on multiple counts. The following drugs were seized (2 oz marijuana and 2.5 grams meth) (BPD)
  13. Indiana State Police Meth Lab Seizure Statistics report shows there were 5 clandestine lab incidents in Wells County in 2014; there were 1,488 incidents throughout the state (Indiana State Department of Health)
  14. Throughout 2014, 58 drivers were stopped during quarterly Operation Pull Over (DUI Enforcement) conducted by BPD; 7 (12.1%) were found to be intoxicated (BPD)
  15. There were 24 total crashes related to drugs or alcohol in Wells County in 2014 (10:BPD, 14:WCSD, 0:OPD); of the total crashes, 5 (BPD:0, WCSD:5, OPD:0) were fatalities
  16. During 2013, there were 114 fatal alcohol-impaired (driver with BAC of .08 or higher) collisions in Indiana; 16% of all fatal collisions (Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, Traffic Safety Facts – June 2014)



17. There were 113 juveniles referred to probation for delinquency in 2014; 19 (16.8%) were for alcohol or drug use (Wells County Probation Department)
18. The number of adults referred to probation for alcohol or drug use was 114 in 2014 (Wells County Probation Department)
19. The number of drug screens (for overall probation population) with positive results was 97 out of 392 (24.8%) in 2014 (findings: 30 amphetamines, 1 barbiturate, 8 benzodiazepine, 1 cocaine, 33 marijuana, 7 methadone, 27 opiates, 21 methamphetamines, 3 alcohol, 12 other) (Wells County Probation Department)
20. Of the 20 cases referred to Teen Court in 2014; 8 were for ATOD-related offenses (40%) (Family Centered Services / Teen Court)
21. In 2014, there were 65 cases filed with the Wells County Prosecutor’s Office for drug-related charges; 152 cases filed were alcohol-related (Annual Report of Criminal and Child Support Activity, 2014)
22. Throughout 2014, WOW (Wells On Wheels) made a total of 21 trips to the address of a local pain clinic and 13 trips to the address of a pain clinic in Fort Wayne (Wells County Council on Aging / Wells On Wheels)
23. Wells County EMS responded to 29 calls for alcohol or drug related emergencies in 2014 (Wells County EMS)
24. There were 49 patients in the Bluffton Regional Medical Center Emergency Room who presented with overdose diagnosis (960.0-979.9) in 2014 (Wells County EMS)
25. In 2014, there were 5 deaths (ages 23-59) of Wells County residents attributed to drugs; 0 such deaths occurred for under age 20 (Wells County Health Department)

**End of Year 1 Update:**

1. According to the statistics from the 2015 Indiana Prevention Resource Center student survey, monthly tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and prescription drug use increases dramatically during the middle school and high school years. Statistics from the Northeast Region (LaGrange, Steuben, Noble, DeKalb, Whitley, Allen, Huntington, Adams, Wells) vary only slightly from the statewide numbers (IPRC, Indiana Youth Survey)

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|                         | Indiana               | Northeast IN | Indiana               | Northeast IN | Indiana                | Northeast IN |
| cigarettes              | 1.5%                  | 1.9%         | 7.7%                  | 7.4%         | 16.2%                  | 14.3%        |
| alcohol                 | 3.5%                  | 4.4%         | 17.7%                 | 17.8%        | 33.2%                  | 30.9%        |
| marijuana               | 1.3%                  | 2.2%         | 9.9%                  | 10.3%        | 18.8%                  | 21.4%        |
| synthetic marijuana     | -                     | -            | 1.7%                  | 1.4%         | 2.1%                   | 2.1%         |
| prescription drugs      | 1.5%                  | 2.0%         | 3.2%                  | 3.3%         | 6.0%                   | 5.9%         |
| heroin                  | -                     | -            | 0.3%                  | .1%          | 0.4%                   | .3%          |
| electronic vape product | -                     | -            | 14.4%                 | 15.2%        | 24.8%                  | 22.9%        |

2. Random student drug testing results for the 2015-2016 school year are:
  - Bluffton High School:
    - a. 148 tests (92.5%) of all random tests (160) had a negative result
    - b. 11 tests (6.9%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
    - c. 1 tests (.63%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs (marijuana)

- d. 3 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use; 1 had a positive result (nicotine)

Bluffton Middle School:

- a. 62 tests (100%) of all random tests (62) had a negative result
- b. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 4 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use; all had a positive result (assorted items including opiates and nicotine)
- e. 6 tests were administered upon request of a parent; 2 had a negative result and 2 had a positive result (opiates)

Southern Wells Jr/Sr High School:

- a. 4 tests (57.1%) of all random tests (7) had a negative result
- b. 3 tests (42.9%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use

Norwell High School:

- a. 145 tests (100%) of all random tests (145) had a negative result
- b. NHS did not screen for nicotine; began in 2016-2017 school year
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use

Norwell Middle School:

- a. 61 tests (98.4%) of all random tests (62) had a negative result
- b. NMS did not screen for nicotine; began in 2016-2017 school year
- c. 1 test (1.6%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs; amphetamine consistent to student's prescribed daily medication
- d. 2 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use; both had a negative result

- 3. Wells County Schools reported 324 suspensions and expulsions in 2014-2015, 28 (8.6%) of them were related to alcohol, drugs or weapons (Indiana Department of Education, Annual School Performance Reports)
- 4. Wells County Department of Child Services reported a total of 146 CHINS cases throughout 2015 (71 new cases throughout the year)
- 5. In 2015, there were 2,456 oral screens administered to DCS clients; of those tested, 33% tested positive for drugs including: 6% amphetamine, 6% methamphetamine, 22% THC, 4% cocaine, 22% opiates, 1% benzodiazepines, 1% barbiturates, 23% methadone, 5% oxycodone, 2% tramadol, 3% synthetic cannabinoids, 2% bath salts (Wells County Department of Child Services)
- 6. Indiana's adult smoking prevalence (21.9%) is the 12<sup>th</sup> highest in the nation. It is also significantly higher than the US prevalence of 19.0%. An estimated 11,100 Hoosiers die annually from smoking-attributable causes. (The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2014 / IU Center for Health Policy)
- 7. In 2015, the tobacco outlet density for Wells County was 1.4/1,000 residents (39 tobacco outlets) and 1.34/1,000 residents (8,783 tobacco outlets) for the State of Indiana; the alcohol outlet density for Wells County was 1.01/1,000 residents (28 alcohol licenses) and 1.71/1,000 residents (11,289 alcohol licenses) for the State of Indiana (Indiana Prevention Resource Center, County Profiles Data)

8. In 2015, 4 locations in Wells County received 13 violations during tobacco compliance checks and 3 locations received 3 violations during alcohol compliance checks (Indiana State Excise Police)
9. There were 1,759 instances of adult crime in Wells County in 2015 (BPD:329, WCSD:1,299, OPD:131)
10. The number of DUI arrests made in Wells County was 196 in 2015; 11.1% of all adult crime (BPD:28, WCSD:161, OPD:7)
11. The number of drug arrests made in Wells County was 258 (BPD:66, WCSD:191, OPD:1) in 2015; 202 (BPD:46, WCSD:155, OPD:1) for possession and 56 (BPD:20, WCSD:36, OPD:0) for dealing. Drug arrests consisted of 15.5% of all adult crime
12. DETECT (Adams/Wells Drug Task Force) note the following activity in 2015: investigated a total of 83 cases and arrested 21 individuals on multiple counts. The following drugs were seized (13 grams heroin, 30 grams meth, 7 grams cocaine, 106 grams bath salts, 86 grams marijuana, 28 grams spice, 134 prescription pills) (BPD)
13. Indiana State Police Meth Lab Seizure Statistics report shows there were 11 clandestine lab incidents in Wells County in 2015; there were 1,530 incidents throughout the state (Indiana State Department of Health)
14. Throughout 2015, 103 drivers were stopped during quarterly Operation Pull Over (DUI Enforcement) conducted by BPD; 3 (2.9%) were found to be intoxicated (BPD)
15. There were 24 total crashes related to drugs or alcohol in Wells County in 2015 (10:BPD, 14:WCS, 0:OPD); of the total crashes, 1 (BPD:0, WCS:1, OPD:0) resulted in a fatality
16. During 2014, there were 94 fatal alcohol-impaired (driver with BAC of .08 or higher) collisions in Indiana; 13% of all fatal collisions (Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, Traffic Safety Facts – June 2014)
17. There were 124 juveniles referred to probation for delinquency in 2015; 46 (37.1%) were for alcohol or drug use (Wells County Probation Department)
18. The number of adults referred to probation for alcohol or drug use was 157 in 2015 (Wells County Probation Department)
19. The number of drug screens (for overall probation population) with positive results was 188 out of 786 (23.9%) in 2015 (findings: 55 amphetamines, 0 barbiturate, 17 benzodiazepine, 8 cocaine, 33 marijuana, 3 methadone, 65 opiates, 9 methamphetamines, 8 alcohol, 4 oxycodone, 1 synthetic, 5 other) (Wells County Probation Department)
20. Of the 22 cases referred to Teen Court in 2015; 3 were for ATOD-related offenses (13.6%) (Family Centered Services / Teen Court)
21. In 2015, there were 172 cases filed with the Wells County Prosecutor's Office for drug-related charges; 200 cases filed were alcohol-related (Annual Report of Criminal and Child Support Activity, 2015)
22. Throughout 2015, WOW (Wells On Wheels) made a total of 64 trips to the address of a local pain clinic and 10 trips to the address of a pain clinic in Fort Wayne (Wells County Council on Aging / Wells On Wheels)
23. Wells County EMS responded to 46 calls for alcohol or drug related emergencies in 2015 (Wells County EMS)

- 24. There were 50 patients in the Bluffton Regional Medical Center Emergency Room who presented with overdose diagnosis (960.0-979.9) in 2015 (Wells County EMS)
- 25. In 2015, there were 5 deaths (ages 23-77) of Wells County residents attributed to drugs (multiple drug toxicity or fentanyl toxicity) ; 0 such deaths occurred for under age 20 (Wells County Health Department)

**End of Year 2 Update:**

- 1. According to the statistics from the 2016 Indiana Prevention Resource Center student survey, monthly tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and prescription drug use increases dramatically during the middle school and high school years. Statistics from the Northeast Region (LaGrange, Steuben, Noble, DeKalb, Whitley, Allen, Huntington, Adams, Wells) vary only slightly from the statewide numbers in some categories (IPRC, Indiana Youth Survey)

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|                         | Indiana               | Northeast IN | Indiana               | Northeast IN | Indiana                | Northeast IN |
| cigarettes              | 1.3%                  | .7%          | 7.3%                  | 7.4%         | 14.9%                  | 21.4%        |
| alcohol                 | 3.6%                  | 4.7%         | 18.2%                 | 18.6%        | 34.6%                  | 31.1%        |
| marijuana               | 1.0%                  | 1.2%         | 10.0%                 | 5.5%         | 20.3%                  | 15.9%        |
| synthetic marijuana     | -                     | -            | 1.5%                  | .9%          | 1.6%                   | 0%           |
| prescription drugs      | 1.7%                  | .5%          | 3.1%                  | 2.8%         | 6.0%                   | 2.6%         |
| heroin                  | -                     | -            | 0.1%                  | 0%           | 0.5%                   | 0%           |
| electronic vape product | -                     | -            | 13.7%                 | 13.9%        | 21.6%                  | 20.8%        |

- 2. Random student drug testing results for the 2016-2017 school year are:

Bluffton High School:

- a. 151 tests (93.2%) of all random tests (162) had a negative result
- b. 9 tests (5.6%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 2 tests (1.2%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs (marijuana)
- d. 1 test was administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use; it had a negative result

Bluffton Middle School:

- a. 58 tests (100%) of all random tests (58) had a negative result
- b. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use
- e. 0 tests were administered upon request of a parent

Southern Wells Jr/Sr High School:

- a. 73 tests (97.3%) of all random tests (75) had a negative result
- b. 2 tests (2.7%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use

Norwell High School:

- a. 116 tests (97.5%) of all random tests (119) had a negative result
- b. 3 tests (2.5%) of all random tests had a positive result for nicotine
- c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
- d. 0 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use

Norwell Middle School:

- a. 62 tests (100%) of all random tests (62) had a negative result
  - b. NMS began screening for cotinine during the 2016-2017 school year
  - c. 0 tests (0%) of all random tests had a positive result for drugs
  - d. 2 tests were administered for reasonable suspicion of drug use; both had a negative result
3. Wells County Schools reported 340 suspensions and expulsions in 2015-2016, 20 (5.9%) of them were related to alcohol, drugs or weapons (Indiana Department of Education, Annual School Performance Reports)
  4. Wells County Department of Child Services reported a total of 85 CHINS cases throughout 2016
  5. In 2016, there were 2,774 oral screens administered to DCS clients; of those tested, 28% tested positive for drugs including: 8% amphetamine, 5% methamphetamine, 21% THC, 4% cocaine, 19% opiates, 1% benzodiazepines, 0% barbiturates, 29% methadone, 3% oxycodone, 3% buprenorphine, 3% tramadol, 1% synthetic cannabinoids, 3% gabapentin (Wells County Department of Child Services)
  6. Indiana's adult smoking prevalence (20.6%) is the 12<sup>th</sup> highest in the nation. It is also significantly higher than the US prevalence of 17.5%. An estimated 11,100 Hoosiers die annually from smoking-attributable causes. (Substance Abuse in Indiana / IUPUI Center for Health Policy, May 2017)
  7. In 2016 the tobacco outlet density for Wells County was 1.32/1,000 residents (37 tobacco outlets) and 1.11/1,000 residents (7,355 tobacco outlets) for the State of Indiana; the alcohol outlet density for Wells County was 1.07/1,000 residents (30 alcohol licenses) and 1.76/1,000 residents (11,691 alcohol licenses) for the State of Indiana (Indiana Prevention Resource Center, County Profiles Data)
  8. In 2016, 0 locations in Wells County received 0 violations during tobacco compliance checks and 3 locations received 3 violations during alcohol compliance checks (Indiana State Excise Police)
  9. There were 1,125 instances of adult crime in Wells County in 2016 (BPD:651, WCSD:437, OPD:37)
  10. The number of DUI arrests made in Wells County was 133 in 2016; 11.8% of all adult crime (BPD:44, WCSD:82, OPD:7)
  11. The number of drug arrests made in Wells County was 225 (BPD:151, WCSD:70, OPD:4) in 2016; 184 (BPD:113, WCSD:67, OPD:4) for possession and 41 (BPD:38, WCSD:3, OPD:0) for dealing. Drug arrests consisted of 20% of all adult crime
  12. DETECT (Adams/Wells Drug Task Force) note the following activity in 2016: investigated a total of 46 cases and arrested 28 individuals on multiple counts. The following drugs were seized (2 grams heroin, 41.5 grams meth, 2 grams cocaine, 43 grams marijuana, 23.4 grams spice, 17.3 grams narcotic pills, 5 mL liquid methadone) (BPD)
  13. Indiana State Police Meth Lab Seizure Statistics report shows there were 12 clandestine lab incidents in Wells County in 2016; there were 983 incidents throughout the state (Indiana State Department of Health)
  14. Throughout 2016, 68 drivers were stopped during quarterly Operation Pull Over (DUI Enforcement) conducted by BPD; 1 (1.5%) was found to be intoxicated (BPD)
  15. There were 32 total crashes related to drugs or alcohol in Wells County in 2016 (BPD:9, WCSD:21, OPD:2); of the total crashes, 3 (BPD:0, WCSD:3, OPD:0) resulted in a fatality

- 16. During 2015, there were 86 fatal alcohol-impaired (driver with BAC of .08 or higher) collisions in Indiana; 11% of all fatal collisions (Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, Traffic Safety Facts – August 2016)
- 17. There were 130 juveniles referred to probation for delinquency in 2016; 47 (36.2%) were for alcohol or drug use (Wells County Probation Department)
- 18. The number of adults referred to probation for alcohol or drug use was 164 in 2016 (Wells County Probation Department)
- 19. The number of drug screens (for overall probation population) with positive results was 188 out of 1,026 (18.3%) in 2016 (findings: 32 amphetamines, 0 barbiturate, 14 benzodiazepine, 8 cocaine, 84 marijuana, 11 methadone, 36 opiates, 10 methamphetamines, 18 alcohol, 2 oxycodone, 0 synthetic, 12 suboxone, 2 other) (Wells County Probation Department)
- 20. Of the 26 cases referred to Teen Court in 2016; 6 were for ATOD-related offenses (23.1%) (Family Centered Services / Teen Court)
- 21. In 2016, there were 215 cases filed with the Wells County Prosecutor’s Office for drug-related charges; 193 cases filed were alcohol-related (Number of Cases/Counts Summary, 2016)
- 22. Throughout 2016, WOW (Wells On Wheels) made a total of 68 trips to the address of a local pain clinic; 77 trips to the address of a pain doctor new to town (here part of 2016); and 10 trips to the address of a pain clinic in Fort Wayne (Wells County Council on Aging / Wells On Wheels)
- 23. Wells County EMS responded to 84 calls for alcohol or drug related emergencies in 2016 (Wells County EMS)
- 24. There were 161 patients in the Bluffton Regional Medical Center Emergency Room who presented with overdose diagnosis (960.0-979.9) in 2016 (Wells County EMS)
- 25. In 2016, there were 3 deaths (ages 21, 35, 47) of Wells County residents attributed to drugs (multiple drug toxicity, prescription drug abuse, acute alcohol intoxication) ; 0 such deaths occurred for under age 20 (Wells County Health Department)

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**C. Goals:**

- 1. **Drug and alcohol –related arrests will decrease in relation to overall arrests for juveniles in Wells County**
- 2. **Drug and alcohol –related arrests will decrease in relation to overall arrests for adults in Wells County**

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**



1. **The number of juveniles referred to probation for drug and alcohol-related charges increased by 20.3% in relation to overall arrests for juveniles in Wells County**
2. **The number of drug and alcohol-related arrests increased by .7% in relation to overall arrests for adults in Wells County**

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

1. **The number of juveniles referred to probation for drug and alcohol-related charges decreased by .9% in relation to overall arrests for juveniles in Wells County**
2. **The number of drug and alcohol-related arrests increased by 6% in relation to overall arrests for adults in Wells County**

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**D. Objectives:**

1. **Support any means for early identification of juveniles at risk of abusing ATOD**
2. **Support community awareness programs on ATOD**
3. **Encourage programs that support post-intervention rehabilitation**

**End of Year 1 Update:**

1. **Provided financial assistance for random student drug testing at Bluffton Middle School, Bluffton High School, Norwell Middle School, Norwell High School and Southern Wells Jr/Sr High School; 276 tests were randomly administered with 272 have a negative result (98.6%). All public middle and high school in the county now participate in this program**
2. **Provided financial assistance to Teen Court to provide mandatory character education (DETOURS) with an ATOD component to first time offenders; only 13.6% of juveniles referred to Teen Court were for ATOD-related offenses; however all juveniles are mandated to attend the class**
3. **Support ongoing efforts to increase impaired driving patrols (Operation Pullover) on our county roadways; the quarterly patrol serves as both a public awareness campaign and leads to arrests of drunk drivers during these campaigns (2.9% of drivers were found to be impaired)**

- 4. A brochure was created for CADA this past year to both clarify and better inform guests or participants at CADA meetings and events not only about CADA but to provide important contact information**
- 5. Membership has risen 19.1% over the past year. Members share trends, obstacles and successes. 6 guests are also invited or attended to share programming or experiences including: Cassie Henderson (ICJI), Phil Hutson (Park Center / Recovery Works), Lemuel Vega (Christmas Behind Bars), Terry and Linda Gerber (Parents Against Drug Abuse), Charles Redwine (Dockside Services) and Tandra Johnson (attorney and parent of an incarcerated addict)**
- 6. Members organized 2 events: 30 people attended a Recognition Luncheon in May to appreciate those in the community who make an impact in the area of substance use (CADA Professional, CADA Volunteer, Friend of CADA) and 38 people attended a Drug Impact Panel in June to create awareness on how substance use affects the areas of Emergency Medical Services, Law Enforcement, Treatment, and Human Resources**
- 7. Members also either organized or attended 2 regional events: High In Plain Sight (Jermaine Galloway) in April and the Annual Regional Meeting/Training in November (Tracy Brooks, Manchester School of Pharmacy; Pat Turner, Tobacco Free Allen County; Judge Wendy Davis, Allen County Superior Court). Both events were very well attended**
- 8. Provided financial support to Brickhouse Farms Family Ministry (formally House of Hope) for adolescent treatment programs (including counseling, cessation, support and testing) at the facility and to incorporate (and treat when necessary) the entire family in the process**

### **End of Year 2 Update:**

- 1. Provided financial assistance for random student drug testing at Bluffton Middle School, Bluffton High School, Norwell Middle School, Norwell High School and Southern Wells Jr/Sr High School; 476 tests were randomly administered with 460 have a negative result (96.6%). All public middle and high school in the county participate in this program**
- 2. Provided financial assistance to Teen Court to provide mandatory character education (DETOURS) with an ATOD component to first time offenders; 23.1% of juveniles referred to Teen Court were for ATOD-related offenses; however all juveniles referred to Teen Court are mandated to attend the class**
- 3. Support ongoing efforts to increase impaired driving patrols (Operation Pullover) on our county roadways; the quarterly patrol serves as both a public awareness campaign and leads to arrests of drunk drivers during these campaigns this past year; 1.5% of drivers were found to be impaired (a decrease from the previous year)**



4. **A brochure was created for CADA this past year to both clarify and better inform guests or participants at CADA meetings and events not only about CADA but to provide important contact information; it was distributed at 3 events throughout 2017**
5. **Membership has risen 16% throughout 2016. Members share trends, obstacles and successes; 43 guests were also welcomed at the meetings**
6. **Members organized 2 events: 33 people attended a Recognition Luncheon in May to appreciate those in the community who make an impact in the area of substance use (CADA Professional, CADA Volunteer, Friend of CADA) and 58 people attended Recovery Happens! But it Takes a Village (educational component by Park Center, panel discussion with 3 citizens affected by drug use, a recovery story and Q&A)**
7. **Members also either organized or attended 2 regional events: High In Plain Sight (Jermaine Galloway) in February and the Annual Regional Meeting/Training in November (Justin Phillips, Overdose Lifeline; Captain Kevin Hunter, Fort Wayne PD Vice & Narcotics; Courtney Jenkins, SMART Recovery Facilitator) Both events were very well attended**
8. **Provided financial support to Brickhouse Farms Family Ministry (formally House of Hope) for adolescent treatment programs (including counseling, cessation, support and testing) at the facility and to incorporate (and treat when necessary) the entire family in the process**

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**A. Problem Statement #2: There is a lack of affordable resources and a need for additional education, prevention and treatment services in Wells County.**

**B. Supportive Data:**

1. In 2014, the CADA board awarded \$6,951.66 to 10 agencies/programs to address ATOD issues in Wells County
2. There were 17 members of CADA with 1 new member joining in 2014; 3 guests were welcomed at coalition meetings throughout the year. A CADA representative participated in Northeast Indiana Regional Advisory Board meetings and activities
3. Various agencies/programs collaborated to create a county-wide Substance Use Protocol Manual. In November 2014, 40 binder copies and 100 electronic copies of the manual were distributed at a kick-off event with speaker, Sgt Dan Mawhorr. The manual is housed on the CADA website and will be reviewed and updated annually (Family Centered Services)

4. 374 students (1<sup>st</sup> graders) in Wells County schools (Ossian, Lancaster, Bluffton, Southern Wells, Kingdom Academy) participated in an Annual Health and Safety Fair in April 2015 learning about the dangers of substance abuse, poisons and other risky behavior (Purdue Extension, Wells County)
5. DARE Officers served 606 students (grades 1, 5, 10) in Wells County during the 2014-2015 school year (Bluffton Police Department)
6. Canine Officers provided 11 (BPD:3, WCSD:8) educational demonstrations in Wells County regarding illegal substances in 2014
7. Canine Officers also conducted 11 (BPD:5, WCSD:6) drug searches in Wells County schools during 2014; 2 (18.2%) of those searches resulted in evidence of contraband
8. Helping Hands Pregnancy Resource Center provided services to 47 pregnant women from January 2015 thru the end of August; 26 self-reported as smokers (55.3%) and 21 reported that they did not smoke (44.7%) (Helping Hands Pregnancy Resource Center)
9. For 63 out of 235 live births in Wells County throughout 2014, mothers reported smoking during pregnancy (26.8%) (Wells County Health Department)
10. By the end of 2013, a total of 11,087 Hoosiers were living with HIV disease, a condition that is in some cases attributable to injection drug use and needle sharing (The consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2014 / IU Center for Health Policy)
11. There were 10 people in Wells County that reported living with HIV in 2014 (ISDH Local Health Department Outreach Division)
12. The Positive Resource Center developed a MOU with the Wells County Health Department to conduct free HIV testing and prevention counseling to any person requesting the service. To those identified HIV positive, free comprehensive care coordination will be provided. Beginning in 2015, Positive Resource Center is scheduled to come to the Health Department quarterly, but will come on a more frequent basis if needed (Wells County Health Department)
13. There are 3 sites (Wells County Sheriff's Department, Bluffton Police Department, Ossian Police Department) that participate in ongoing Prescription Drug Collection via the Wells County Solid Waste District; 13 (55 gallon) containers of prescription drugs (371 pounds) were collected throughout the year and disposed of at the county-wide HazMat Day on May 2015 (Wells County Solid Waste District, Auditor's Office)
14. The number of juveniles who attended SIGNALS (Setting Important Goals Now Against Life-threatening Substances), DETOURS (Developing Emotional control, Treating Others respectfully; and Understanding the Realities of Substance abuse), or Freedom From Tobacco, reported by Family Centered Services was 26 (7 SIGNALS, 18 DETOURS, 1 Freedom From Tobacco) in 2014
15. There were 6 juvenile residents at House of Hope of Northeast Indiana in 2014; 6 received substance abuse education and/or treatment; 4 successfully completed the program; 1 left the program; 1 continues in the program
16. In 2014, an AfterCare Director (addiction specialist) mentored 6 juvenile residents at House of Hope and provided drug awareness education and assisted them with making positive future choices (career/college/jobs/etc); all 6 completed the program

17. House of Hope provides monthly drug testing through Wells County Probation and random drug tests as needed; in 2014, 3 out of 7 (42.9%) residents tested positive for: spice, prescription drugs and marijuana
18. An Intensive Supervision Program was developed throughout 2014 to serve as a voluntary program for high risk offenders geared toward recovery; the participants will undergo frequent drug testing and weekly face-to-face supervision. The program will begin in January 2015 (Wells County Probation Department)
19. There were 4 support meetings held in Wells County each week throughout 2014: 3 AA and 1 CR. NA and RU began holding weekly meetings in 2015 (Park Center)
20. Wells On Wheels (WOW) transported 6 different individuals (69 trips) to and from support meetings (AA) in 2014
21. Most admissions to substance abuse treatment were due to alcohol; more than one-third of Hoosiers receive treatment for alcohol dependence (The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2014 / IU Center for Health Policy)

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| alcohol dependence           | 40.1%          | 38.9%     |
| marijuana dependence         | 20.1%          | 17.4%     |
| cocaine dependence           | 6.6%           | 6.9%      |
| heroin dependence            | 7.9%           | 16.4%     |
| meth dependence              | 6.5%           | 6.6%      |
| prescription drug dependence | 13.4%          | 11.8%     |

22. Park Center provided services to 133 clients for Chemical Dependency in 2014 (73 males / 54.9% and 60 females / 45.1%); 91 clients were assessed for the CD program (Park Center)
23. Of the total CD clients, 47 (36.1%) were referred by DCS and 65 (48.9%) were referred by Probation, Community Corrections, or Courts (Park Center)
24. In 2014, 93 (70%) of Park Center’s CD clients met the state’s definition of indigent (less than \$10,000/year) (Park Center)
25. There was a significant increase in clients who successfully enrolled in HIP or other Affordable Health Care Act insurances; 54 enrolled in 2014 (40.6%) (Park Center)

**End of Year 1 Update:**

1. In 2015, the CADA board awarded \$6,946.96 to 10 agencies/programs to address ATOD issues in Wells County
2. There were 21 members of CADA with 4 new members joining in 2015; 18 guests were welcomed at coalition meetings throughout the year. A CADA representative participated in Northeast Indiana Regional Advisory Board meetings and activities
3. Various agencies/programs collaborated to create a county-wide Substance Use Protocol Manual. In November 2014, 40 binder copies and 100 electronic copies of the manual were distributed. The manual is housed on the CADA website and will be reviewed and updated annually; the most current update occurred in November 2015 (Family Centered Services)
4. 415 students (1<sup>st</sup> graders) in Wells County schools (Ossian, Lancaster, Bluffton, Southern Wells, Kingdom Academy, Bethlehem Lutheran) participated in an Annual Health and Safety Fair in April 2016 learning about the dangers of

- substance abuse, poisons and other risky behavior (Purdue Extension, Wells County)
5. DARE Officers served 670 students (grades 1, 5, 10) in Wells County during the 2015-2016 school year (BPD, OPD)
  6. Canine Officers provided 18 (BPD:10, WCSD:8) educational demonstrations in Wells County regarding illegal substances in 2015
  7. Canine Officers also conducted 7 (BPD:3, WCSD:4) drug searches in Wells County schools during 2015; 0 (0%) of those searches resulted in evidence of contraband
  8. Helping Hands Pregnancy Resource Center captured tobacco-use data on 69 of their female clients in 2015; 46 self-reported as smokers (66.7%) and 23 reported that they did not smoke (33.3%) (Helping Hands Pregnancy Resource Center)
  9. For 32 out of 109 live births in Wells County throughout 2015, mothers reported smoking during pregnancy (29.4%) (Wells County Health Department)
  10. By the end of 2014, a total of 11,547 Hoosiers were living with HIV disease, a condition that is in some cases attributable to injection drug use and needle sharing (The consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2015 / IU Center for Health Policy)
  11. There were 10 people in Wells County that reported living with HIV in 2015 (ISDH Local Health Department Outreach Division)
  12. The Positive Resource Center developed a MOU with the Wells County Health Department to conduct free HIV testing and prevention counseling to any person requesting the service. To those identified HIV positive, free comprehensive care coordination will be provided. Beginning in 2015, Positive Resource Center is scheduled to come to the Health Department quarterly, but will come on a more frequent basis if needed. Throughout 2015, only 2 persons sought the free HIV testing (Wells County Health Department)
  13. There are 3 sites (Wells County Sheriff's Department, Bluffton Police Department, Ossian Police Department) that participate in ongoing Prescription Drug Collection via the Wells County Solid Waste District; 771 lbs of prescription drugs were collected throughout the year and disposed of at the county-wide HazMat Day on June 2016 (Wells County Solid Waste District, Auditor's Office)
  14. The number of juveniles who attended SIGNALS (Setting Important Goals Now Against Life-threatening Substances), DETOURS (Developing Emotional control, Treating Others respectfully; and Understanding the Realities of Substance abuse), or Freedom From Tobacco, reported by Family Centered Services was 19 (2 Alcohol JV, 1 SIGNALS, 16 DETOURS, 0 Freedom From Tobacco) in 2015
  15. There were 6 juvenile residents at Brickhouse Farms in 2015; 6 received substance abuse education and/or treatment (2 successfully completed the program; 2 left the program; 2 continue in the program)
  16. In 2014, an AfterCare Director (addiction specialist) mentored 8 juvenile residents at Brickhouse Farms and provided drug awareness education and assisted them with making positive future choices (career/college/jobs/etc); 5 continue to be mentored and 3 have elected to discontinue support
  17. Brickhouse Farms provides monthly drug testing through Wells County Probation and random drug tests as needed; in 2015, 4 out of 14 (28.6%) residents tested positive for: spice, prescription drugs (not prescribed to them), marijuana,

cocaine, alcohol and nicotine (Brickhouse Farms Family Ministry, formally House of Hope)

18. An Intensive Supervision Program was developed throughout 2014 to serve as a voluntary program for high risk offenders geared toward recovery; the participants will undergo frequent drug testing and weekly face-to-face supervision. The program began in January 2015. Throughout 2015, 7 participants received 86 drug screens (33% of the results were positive for drugs (Wells County Probation Department)
19. There were 6 support meetings held in Wells County each week throughout 2015: 3 AA, 1 CR, 1 NA and 1 RU
20. In 2015, Wells On Wheels (WOW) transported 1 individual (12 trips) to and from support meetings (AA) and 4 different individuals were transported (416 trips) to and from other addiction services
21. Most admissions to substance abuse treatment were due to alcohol; more than one-third of Hoosiers receive treatment for alcohol dependence (The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2015 / IU Center for Health Policy)

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| alcohol dependence           | 38.0%   | 37.5% |
| marijuana dependence         | 21.5%   | 16.7% |
| cocaine dependence           | -       | -     |
| heroin dependence            | 12.0%   | 22.4% |
| meth dependence              | 13.4%   | 12.2% |
| prescription drug dependence | 27.5%   | 20.9% |

22. Park Center provided services to 153 clients for Chemical Dependency in 2015 (Park Center)
23. Of the total CD clients, 46 (30.1%) were referred by DCS and 107 (69.9%) were referred by Probation, Community Corrections, or Courts (Park Center)
24. In 2015, 84 (54.9%) of Park Center’s CD clients met the state’s definition of indigent (less than \$10,000/year) (Park Center)
25. Park Center continues to help clients enroll in HIP and other Affordable Health Care Act insurances as needed. In 2015, 142 of CD clients already had some type of insurance; only 11 were self-pay. This is a very significant change from 2014 (Park Center)

**End of Year 2 Update:**

1. In 2017, the CADA board awarded \$10,691.54 to 11 agencies/programs to address ATOD issues in Wells County
2. There were 25 members of CADA with 4 new members joining in 2016; 43 guests were welcomed at coalition meetings throughout the year. A CADA representative participated in Northeast Indiana Regional Advisory Board meetings and activities
3. Various agencies/programs collaborated to create a county-wide Substance Use Protocol Manual. In November 2014, 40 binder copies and 100 electronic copies of the manual were distributed. The manual is housed on the CADA website and will be reviewed and updated annually; the most current update occurred in Spring 2016 (Family Centered Services)

4. 375 students (1<sup>st</sup> graders) in Wells County schools (Ossian, Lancaster, Bluffton, Southern Wells, Kingdom Academy, Bethlehem Lutheran and HomeSchool) participated in an Annual Health and Safety Fair in April 2017 learning about the dangers of substance abuse, poisons and other risky behavior (Purdue Extension, Wells County)
5. DARE Officers served 715 students (grades 1, 5, 10) in Wells County during the 2016-2017 school year; the Sheriff's Department added a DARE officer and began DARE programming at Southern Wells (BPD, OPD)
6. Canine Officers provided 8 (BPD:4, WCSD:4) educational demonstrations in Wells County regarding illegal substances in 2016
7. Canine Officers also conducted 10 (BPD:4, WCSD:6) drug searches in Wells County schools during 2016; 3 (BPD:1, WCSD:2); 30% of those searches resulted in evidence of contraband
8. \*\*Helping Hands Pregnancy Resource Center did not provide data on number of female clients that self-reported as smokers for 2016
9. For 43 out of 229 live births in Wells County throughout 2016, mothers reported smoking during pregnancy (18.8%) (Wells County Health Department)
10. By the end of 2016, a total of 12,000 Hoosiers were living with HIV disease (substance use disorder, particularly injection drug use, increased the risk of transmitting HIV) (The consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2016 / IU Center for Health Policy)
11. There were 11 people in Wells County that reported living with HIV in 2016 (ISDH Spotlight on HIV/STD/Viral Hepatitis, February 2017)
12. The Positive Resource Center developed a MOU with the Wells County Health Department to conduct free HIV testing and prevention counseling to any person requesting the service. To those identified HIV positive, free comprehensive care coordination will be provided. Beginning in 2015, Positive Resource Center is scheduled to come to the Health Department quarterly, but will come on a more frequent basis if needed. Throughout 2016, 17 people were tested for HIV and 12 were tested for HepC (Wells County Health Department)
13. There are 3 sites (Wells County Sheriff's Department, Bluffton Police Department, Ossian Police Department) that participate in ongoing Prescription Drug Collection via the Wells County Solid Waste District; 1,000 lbs of prescription drugs and 800 lbs of sharps were collected throughout the year and disposed of at the county-wide HazMat Day on June 2017 (Wells County Solid Waste District, Auditor's Office)
14. The number of juveniles who attended SIGNALS (Setting Important Goals Now Against Life-threatening Substances), DETOURS (Developing Emotional control, Treating Others respectfully; and Understanding the Realities of Substance abuse), or Freedom From Tobacco, reported by Family Centered Services was 26 (0 Alcohol JV, 0 SIGNALS, 25 DETOURS, 1 Freedom From Tobacco) in 2016
15. There were 6 juvenile residents at Brickhouse Farms in 2016; 6 received substance abuse education and/or treatment (4 successfully completed the program; 1 left the program; 1 continues in the program)
16. In 2016, an AfterCare Director (addiction specialist) mentored 5 juvenile residents at Brickhouse Farms and provided drug awareness education and assisted them

with making positive future choices (career/college/jobs/etc); 5 continue to be mentored (Brickhouse Family Ministry)

17. Brickhouse Farms provides monthly drug testing through Wells County Probation and random drug tests as needed; in 2016, 2 out of 11 (18.2%) residents tested positive for: spice, prescription drugs (not prescribed to them), marijuana, cocaine, alcohol and nicotine (Brickhouse Farms Family Ministry, formally House of Hope)
18. An Intensive Supervision Program was developed throughout 2014 to serve as a voluntary program for high risk offenders geared toward recovery; the participants will undergo frequent drug testing and weekly face-to-face supervision. The program began in January 2015. Throughout 2016, 14 participants received 308 drug screens; 8% of the results were positive for drugs (Wells County Probation Department)
19. There were 7 support meetings held in Wells County each week throughout 2016: 4 AA, 1 CR, 1 NA and 1 RU (Community Corrections)
20. In 2016, Wells On Wheels (WOW) transported 1 individual (1 trip) to and from support meetings (AA) and 4 different individuals were transported (416 trips) to and from other addiction services
21. Most admissions to substance abuse treatment were due to alcohol; more than one-third of Hoosiers receive treatment for alcohol dependence (The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2016 / IU Center for Health Policy)

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| alcohol dependence           | 35.0%          | 36.3%     |
| marijuana dependence         | 20.8%          | 15.2%     |
| cocaine dependence           | 3.8%           | -         |
| heroin dependence            | 15.9%          | 25.8%     |
| meth dependence              | 15.9%          | 13.5%     |
| prescription drug dependence | 14.4%          | 9.8%      |

22. Park Center provided services to 133 clients for Chemical Dependency in 2016 (Park Center)
23. Of the total CD clients, 63 (47.4%) were referred by DCS and 70 (52.6%) were referred by Probation, Community Corrections, or Courts (Park Center)
24. In 2016, 110 (82.7%) of Park Center’s CD clients met the state’s definition of indigent (less than \$10,000/year) (Park Center)
25. Park Center continues to help clients enroll in HIP and other Affordable Health Care Act insurances as needed. In 2016, 112% of CD clients already had some type of insurance; only 21 (16%) were self-pay. (Park Center)

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**C. Goals:**

1. There will be an increase in ATOD resources in Wells County
2. There will be an increase in evidence-based ATOD programming in Wells County, especially for juveniles

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

1. There was an increase in ATOD resources in Wells County in many ways: 1) a 19.1% increase in CADA membership increasing the experience and resources around the table at monthly meetings; 2) there was an increase in “capacity to serve” in several existing programs (38.9% increase in educational canine demonstrations, 31.9% increase in clients served at Helping Hands Pregnancy Resource Center, 13.1% increase in chemical dependency clients at Park Center, 33.3% increase in number of weekly ATOD support groups) increasing the services available
2. Several new programs were offered beginning in 2015: Positive Resource Center served 2 clients with free HIV testing, counseling and comprehensive care; Intensive Supervision Program served 7 probationers with weekly probation meetings, frequent drug testing and swift consequences for positive drug screens, NA and RU were added to the opportunities for weekly support meetings bringing the total support groups to 6, Brickhouse Farms Ministry (formally House of Hope) began offering comprehensive services to families of the teen male residents now serving the entire family with ATOD education and counseling. It is not determined which if any of these new programs are evidence-based but they are serving a need nonetheless

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

1. There was an increase in ATOD resources in Wells County throughout 2016, including: 1) a 16% growth in CADA membership increasing the experience and resources around the table at monthly meetings; 2) a 35% increase in drug-free funding collected in 2016 (distributed 2/2017). There was also an increase in “capacity to serve” for several existing programs, including: 1) a 6.3% increase in number of students receiving the DARE curriculum; 2) an 88.2% increase in number of people receiving free HIV testing from Positive Resources Center at the Wells County Health Department; 3) a 32.1% increase in juveniles receiving ATOD education through the DETOURS class as part of the Teen Court program; 4) a 50% increase in probationers receiving services and supervision through the Intensive Supervision Program; 5) a 14.3% increase in number of weekly ATOD support groups in the community. Wells County also experienced an increase of 22.9% in pounds of prescription medications collected throughout the year
2. A new program was offered beginning May of 2017: 1) Positive Families, a program of the Boys and Girls Club has already served 132 children. Other programs completed their first full year of existence in



**Wells County, including: 1) Parents Against Drug Abuse offered support to parents and families affected by addiction for the past 18 months, over 200 people have been served so far; 2) Positive Resource Center served 17 clients with free HIV testing, counseling and comprehensive care, up from 2 clients the previous year; 3) the Intensive Supervision Program served 14 probationers with weekly probation meetings, frequent drug testing and swift consequences for positive drug screens, up from 7 the year before; 4) an additional AA group was added to the opportunities for weekly support meetings bringing the total support groups in the community from 6 to 7; 5) Brickhouse Farms Ministry (formally House of Hope) continues to offer comprehensive services to families of the teen male residents now serving the entire family with ATOD education and counseling with 5 families served throughout the year; 6) Systems of Care completed its first year continuing monthly WRAPP meetings to encourage collaboration in the community. It is not determined which if any of these new programs are evidence-based but they are serving a need nonetheless**

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### **D. Objectives:**

1. **Support treatment programs currently available in our community for ATOD**
2. **Encourage and support existing and new prevention programs for ATOD in our community**
3. **Support, encourage and develop education programs on ATOD issues for our community**

### **End of Year 1 Update:**

1. **Provided financial support for Wells On Wheels (county-wide public transportation system) to assist in removing barriers to treatment; WOW provided 428 free trips to support groups (AA, NA, RU, CR) and other treatment options**
2. **Members reached out to Brickhouse Farms Family Ministry (formally House of Hope) to assist with education, accountability and support services as needed, including Wells County Probation, Purdue Extension and others**
3. **Wells County Probation completed the first year of an Intensive Supervision Program; a voluntary program for high risk probationers who attend weekly supervision and participate in frequent drug**

- testing; the program is geared toward recovery. Seven participated in this new program
4. **Provided financial assistance for Teen Court to provide mandatory DETOURS classes (16 juveniles attended and showed an increase in class scores and reported that they now have more information with which to make mature and responsible decisions); SIGNALS (substance use education) and Freedom From Tobacco (tobacco cessation) are also available to juveniles via the Teen Court program**
  5. **Members supported the Positive Resource Center to provide free HIV testing, education and comprehensive care to anyone requesting the service. This new program was only utilized by 2 people in its first year with hopes to serve more in coming years**
  6. **Canine Officers increased the number of educational demonstrations from 11 to 18 in order to create awareness of ATOD issues in the community**
  7. **Provided financial assistance for DARE materials used throughout the 2015-2016 school year; 670 students received DARE curriculum and successfully completed the DARE program empowering them with skills to make good decisions about risky behavior, including and especially focusing on ATOD use**
  8. **Members both help organize and man the Annual 1<sup>st</sup> grade Health and Safety Fair. The stations offer interactive education including ATOD information as well as safety, bullying, nutrition and other topics; all 1<sup>st</sup> graders (374 students) in the county participate in this event**

### **End of Year 2 Update:**

1. **Provided financial support for Wells On Wheels (county-wide public transportation system) to assist in removing barriers to treatment; WOW provided 417 free trips to support groups (AA, NA, RU, CR) and other treatment options**
2. **Members collaborated with Brickhouse Farms Family Ministry (formally House of Hope) to assist with education, accountability and support services as needed, including Wells County Probation, Purdue Extension and others**
3. **Wells County Probation completed the first full year of an Intensive Supervision Program. a voluntary program for high risk probationers who attend weekly supervision and participate in frequent drug testing; the program is geared toward recovery. Fourteen participated in this program**
4. **Provided financial assistance for Teen Court to provide mandatory DETOURS classes (25 juveniles attended and showed an increase in class scores and also reported that they now have more information with which to make mature and responsible decisions); SIGNALS (substance use education) and Freedom From Tobacco (tobacco cessation) are also available to juveniles via the Teen Court program**

5. **Members supported the Positive Resource Center to provide free HIV testing, education and comprehensive care to anyone requesting the service. This new program was utilized by 17 people this past year**
6. **The number of educational demonstrations decreased from 18 to 8, decreasing the opportunities to create awareness of ATOD issues in the community**
7. **Provided donation of water for A Ride to Remember; money raised from the ride is used to purchase DARE materials for the schools; 715 students received DARE curriculum and successfully completed the DARE program throughout the 2016-2017 school year; empowering them with skills to make good decisions about risky behavior, including and especially focusing on ATOD use**
8. **Members both help organize and man the Annual 1<sup>st</sup> grade Health and Safety Fair. The stations offer interactive education including ATOD information as well as safety, bullying, nutrition and other topics; all 1<sup>st</sup> graders (375 students) in the county participate in this event**

**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

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**Next Annual Update Due: October 31, 2018**

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**Date of Community Consultant Review:**

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