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Over half of our community members have been impacted by drug abuse or know someone who has.

? DID YOU KNOW

If drug use begins before age 15, the risk of addiction increases by 40%.

At the Meridian Anti-Drug Coalition, we collaborate with partners from twelve different community sectors to prevent substance abuse through education and support.

- Joining the coalition is an opportunity to take a negative experience and use it as the driving force to make positive change.
- Contact the MADC to bring important prevention education to your community group or business.

OUR MISSION

- To strengthen our community through substance abuse prevention.

OUR VISION

- To build Meridian into a drug free community where people can safely live, work and raise a family.

OUR GOALS

- To educate youth and adults about the harmful and costly (direct and indirect) effects of drug use.
- To achieve awareness by targeting media messaging, social norms and attitudes, as well as accessibility of alcohol and other drugs.
- To consistently monitor and evaluate interventions to determine their effectiveness, thereby allowing the MADC to sustain successful strategies and improve or replace those deemed less effective.



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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



Meridian Police Department Mission Statement

To provide the highest quality service in partnership with our community, to preserve and protect life and property through education, prevention and enforcement.



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PREVENTION EDUCATION & RESOURCES • TIPS FOR PARENTS • EVENTS & PROGRAMS



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OUR START

The Meridian Anti-Drug Coalition (MADC) was initiated by the executive order of Mayor Tammy de Weerd in January 2004.

Unwavering community support has enabled the coalition to flourish, expand and build strong partnerships with like-minded organizations and individuals. The coalition has followed the Mayor's lead and works relentlessly to strengthen our community through substance abuse prevention.



BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION!

Join us at our monthly meetings, visit our website and follow us on Facebook.



WHEN

- 3rd Thursday of each month at 4:00PM (unless otherwise posted on the MADC website)

WHERE

- Meridian Police Department, 1401 E. Watertower St., Meridian Idaho 83642

STAY INFORMED

- Want the latest information but can't attend the meetings? Join our email distribution list to receive the most current updates.

Donate

Each year we reach more than 21,000 community members at more than 70 events. There are a variety of ways you can help support our efforts. Please consider a donation of time, expertise and/or fiscal sponsorship to support our mission of strengthening the community through substance abuse prevention.

PREVENTION PACKETS



From knowing how to safely administer medicine, to the single use of a lethal illicit drug, there is a lot to learn to safely navigate drug choices. Our prevention packets help families build skills together. Free drug test included, while supplies last. Contact the MADC to learn more.

RESOURCES

The MADC website has helpful resources for all community members, parents and professionals included.

Drug Specific Facts & Resources

Data shows Alcohol, Cannabis, E-Cigarettes and Prescription Drugs are the most widely abused drugs by youth and adults. We have a variety of resources focussed on these specific drug categories.

Local, State & National Resources

Meridian Drug Bulletins show examples of illicit drug activity. Natural High videos featuring Treasure Valley youth can be used to help supplement prevention curricula. State and National prevention partners offer a variety of additional education, treatment and support services.

Learn More: Data & Legislation

See for yourself. Review state and national youth survey data from the Idaho Office of Drug Policy, State Department of Education and National Institute on Drug Abuse. Intrigued or confused by headlines during the legislative session? Learn more about the legislative process and how you can provide input on drug related policy before it becomes law.

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Each year MADC staff, volunteers and partners provide prevention education to more than 21,000 community members at more than 70 events. Below are a few examples of the work we do. Visit our website for event details and contact us to learn more about customized prevention for your group or business.

In the Schools

We work in partnership with school resource officers to provide prevention education to students and staff. We provide posters, bookmarks, K9 demonstrations and guest speakers during Red Ribbon Week. We also teach in the Life Skills classes, provide prevention packets to counselors and offer volunteer opportunities for a variety of student groups.

In the Community

The MADC is at the following city events providing fun and interactive prevention education for the entire family: National Night Out, Trunk-or-Treat, The Meridian Community Block Party, Public Safety Day, Unplug & Be Outside and (a) Sparklight Movie Night.

Providing Safe Disposal of Rx Medicine

Do your part to reduce access and potential abuse of prescription medications. Drop off unused and/or expired medications at the Meridian Police Department lobby M-F 7am-5pm. Look for the green drop boxes. No sharps accepted.

Enforcing Alcohol Compliance

The MADC works with the Meridian Police Department to conduct regular Compliance Check & Shoulder Tap Operations as one of its evidence based practices to reduce underage drinking.

