



Grand Traverse County
Drug Free Coalition

October 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes
4-5pm

Zoom Meeting - <https://zoom.us/j/95640237687?pwd=aXNTN0c2QUJ6WGpaQ3h3Y215WmFxUT09>

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TIME	TOPIC	DISCUSSION	OWNER
4:00pm	SETTLE IN	Introductions	Lauren Reed
	ATTENDANCE	Suzy Cline, Kim Johnson, Dave Freedman, Michelle Peterson, Jeff O'Brien, Jean Derenzy, Lou Gamalski, Tim Hudson, Johnathon Boyd, Dave McGreaham, Lauren Reed	
4:05pm	ANNOUNCEMENTS/ GENERAL UPDATES	Michigan State Police (MSP) Angel Training <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suzy Cline is recruiting Angels. The next training for the MSP Angel Program is Friday, October 22 from 9-11am at the Law Enforcement Center on Woodmere Ave in Traverse City.• Anyone interested can contact Suzy, at excbsr@charter.net, and she will email an application to you; you can bring the completed application with you to the training.• The next training will be in Kalkaska on November 29, 2021 from 1-3pm. Color for Hope <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have raised just over \$8,000 since we began our fundraiser in December of 2020.• We have been purchasing Naloxone Safety Kits to donate to local organizations. We have	Suzy Cline

donated kits to the Woodmere, Kingsley, East Bay, and Peninsula libraries, Living Hope Church, the Salvation Army, the Goodwill Inn, the 86th District Court, the 13th Circuit Court, Central United Methodist Church, and the Northwestern Michigan College Library

- If you know of an organization that would be interested in receiving a kit, please have them contact Lauren Reed at gtcdrugfreecoalition@gmail.com.

Co-Occuring Disorders Conference

- The 23rd annual Co-Occuring Disorders Conference will be held on November 4, 2021 from 8am-4:30pm. The conference is entitled “**The Tangled Web: Trauma, Trafficking, and Addictions.**” The featured speakers are Dr. Kevin McCauley and Rebecca McDonald, MA. The conference can be attended either in-person at the NMC Hagerty Center in Traverse City or virtually. For more information and to register visit <https://mynorthtickets.com/events/the-tangled-web-trauma-trafficking-and-addictions-11-4-2021>.

Families Against Narcotics (FAN)

- The Grand Traverse chapter of FAN is looking to hire a coordinator to work 19 hours per week. For more information, please email traverse@familiesagainstnarcotics.org.

Long Road to Recovery Book Discussion Series

- The Interlochen Public Library is hosting LONG ROAD TO RECOVERY, a book discussion series about recovery from addiction featuring a different book each session with a group discussion in the Interlochen Public Library Community Room. The last session is on **Thursday, October 21st from 5-7pm.**
- Books are free to the community but copies are limited so stop by the library soon to

		<p>register and get your copy. Registration is not required to attend the discussions. Refreshments and childcare will be provided.</p> <p>Student Photovoice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have started our first 6-week Photovoice session at Kingsley High School; our project is focused on youth perspective on substance use. We will meet weekly with a small group of students to provide SUD education, teach photography skills, discuss the students' photos, and provide a photo prompt for the next week. <p>Rural Michigan Opioid and Substance Use Disorder Summit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday, Oct. 21 from 8am-4pm at The Park Place Hotel in Traverse City Cost: \$25 Registration Link: http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1113206806746&ca=cbe39452-c5b3-4eb6-b678-0a5fd9ab91 <p>Kingsley High School Students Together Against Negative Decisions (STAND) Club</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was a busy beginning of the school year so they are still working on finalizing their calendar of events for the year. They have started a food pantry <p>Harm Reduction Michigan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new location has been opened in Kalkaska (103 West 3rd St – side door), making it their eighth location The site is open on Thursdays from 11am-2pm <p>Underage Drinking State Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAMHSA released the 2020 "STATES REPORT: Underage Drinking Prevention and Enforcement". To download a copy of the report visit: https://store.samhsa.gov/product/region-5-state-reports- 	<p>Michelle Peterson</p> <p>Lou Gamalski & Kim Johnson</p> <p>Dave Freedman</p>
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4:15pm	TC HEALTHIER DRINKING CULTURE	<p>Chief O’Brien from the TCPD and Jean Derenzy from the Downtown Development Authority will discuss the TC Healthier Drinking Culture Initiative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Healthier Drinking Culture is trying to change the culture of overconsumption of alcohol in the downtown area and the entire TC area as a whole • 1,100 people completed the survey • 70 one-on-one interviews with stakeholders • They went back and identified the common themes from the surveys and interviews • They are not trying to eliminate alcohol consumption but to celebrate what we have in a healthy way and to address overconsumption • They have reached out to other communities that have also been identified as a drinking town that want to change their image to more family oriented environment. These cities were also looking for a program similar to this initiative, so they are hoping to collaborate with other states. • Businesses and liquor license holders are excited to change the culture in TC • They are looking to put together a group with people from the restaurant and bar industry as well as representation from other sectors, like law enforcement, to see how they are working together to identify bad behavior and communicate issues in a timely manner. • They received a \$100,000 grant from NMRE to hire a consultant to get the project started in 2020/2021. • Community members complained to the city commission with concerns of safety in areas of town related to alcohol consumption, this kicked off the need to address this issue 	Chief O’Brien & Jean Derenzy

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The liquor license holders came together for the Responsible Drinking Committee to find ways to make the drinking culture in TC healthier • A key component to change the culture would be to have entertainment available that does not revolve around alcohol, such as the movie theater staying open late, bowling alleys, etc. • They are brainstorming ideas on how to make this initiative known to the community and customers, such as a symbol that establishments put in their windows so patrons know that they check IDs, they will not be overserved, etc. • Looking for funding sources to continue the project into phase 2 • Attached is the Healthier Drinking Culture draft strategic plan <p>Lou Gamalski developed a program and chart that identifies risk based on results from standardized screens for alcohol and other drugs screens, risk level from family genetics, and other measurements. This is completed by youth and paired with education. She would be happy to share this information, email her at LG0708@YAHOO.COM to obtain a copy or to talk further about this.</p>	
4:55pm	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	<p>Nominations for Executive Committee positions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An email with a link to a Google Form will be sent out early next week. Using this form you will be able to nominate yourself or someone that you think may be interested and a good fit for serving on our board for a two-year term beginning in January 2022. 	Lauren Reed
5:00pm	ADJOURNMENT	<p><i>Next meetings: November 11, January 13, February 10</i></p> <p><i>**NO MEETING IN DECEMBER**</i></p>	Lauren Reed