



SCCDAT NEWS

Sumner County Community Drug Action Team

October 2021

ENGAGE! EMPOWER! EDUCATE!

- * **ENGAGE** communities, families and Youth in partnership to reduce substance abuse.
- * **EMPOWER** youth to make good decisions.
- * **EDUCATE** community members about prevention, awareness, and programs.

SCCDAT Awarded Drug-Free Communities Grant for Years 6-10

The Drug-Free Communities Support Program is a Federal grant program overseen by the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) in cooperation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that provides funding to community-based coalitions that are organized and driven to prevent youth substance use. The philosophy behind the DFC Program is that local problems require local solutions. Recent evaluation data indicate that where DFC dollars are invested, youth substance use is lower. By requiring representation from each of the 12 sectors, the DFC program helps mobilize an estimated 35,500 members representing everything from youth groups to local media, religious/fraternal organizations to the private sector, and law enforcement to educational institutions and beyond.



The Sumner County Community Drug Action Team (SCCDAT) was first awarded the DFC Grant in 2016 and recently closed out the first five-year funding cycle. SCCDAT made a competitive application for the years 6-10 funding cycle and were successful in their efforts. The coalition will continue to achieve its goals by implementing the following strategies: a 12-Month Action Plan that includes information dissemination, community awareness efforts and a multi-modality media campaign, evidence-based prevention education, providing support, reducing access/enhancing barriers to alcohol and tobacco access, addressing and modifying local policies and consequences associated with substance use, and changing physical design structures. The target populations for these strategies will include children, youth, and young adults, parents, caregivers, and the general public. We look forward to continuing our efforts in reducing youth substance use in Sumner County for the next five years and beyond!

RED RIBBON WEEK: SUMNER COUNTY EDITION



- 1) SCCDAT youth council students prepared candy messages to pass out to students of all ages.
- 2) Mak Kuchar is pictured handing out candy messaging to elementary students in South Haven.
- 3) Jason Boyd of Conway Springs PD presents RRW facts to Conway Springs Junior High students.
- 4) SCCDAT provided various snacks and activities to Sumner County Schools to celebrate being Drug-Free!
- 5) Rowdy Theurer is pictured sporting his "Drug Free is the Way to Be" tattoo provided by SCCDAT!

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Student Survey

SUMNER COUNTY

Fact of the Month

In 2021, 8.62% of Sumner County 6th/8th/10th/12th grade students reported that they had vaped at least once in the past 30 days. This is higher than the Kansas state average of 6.88%.

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about the coalition and our programs.

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