

Lorain County
Ohio Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) Community Logic Model
Priority Substance: Alcohol
Target Population: Young Adults ages 18-25

Problem Statement

As a result of strong permissive attitudes in the community regarding alcohol use, Lorain County young adults strongly approve or somewhat approve of alcohol consumption nearly everyday, despite the fact that 78.45 believe individuals risk harming themselves.

| Description of the Issue | Intervening Variables | Strategies |
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| <p>Here is the data that support our problem statement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40% of Lorain County young adults ages 18-25 strongly approve or somewhat approve of alcohol consumption nearly every day (YAADA Survey, 2012). • 85% of Lorain County young adults ages 18-25 report having tried a drink of alcohol before the age of 18. (YAADA Survey, 2012). • 78.4% of Lorain County young adults ages 18-25 report they believe individuals risk harming themselves physically when they have had five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week (YAADA Survey, 2012). | <p><u>Protective Factor:</u></p> <p>Strategies to address access to alcohol have been introduced within Lorain County.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access and availability for the 18-20 is addressed via STOP task force (Lorain County policy-level needs assessment). • Collaborated with law enforcement and Lorain County Port Authority to wrist band at International festival (Lorain County policy-level needs assessment). • YAADA Coalition is working with International Festival planning committee to promote a safe and responsible event (Lorain County policy-level needs assessment). <p><u>Risk Factor:</u></p> <p>Lorain County young adults ages 18-25 have a permissive attitude towards the high risk use of alcohol in public and private settings (Community Focus Groups, 2012).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42% of young adults age 18-25 feel that it is acceptable for 18-20 year olds to drink alcohol (Lorain County Community Assessment, 2012). • 55% of Lorain County young adults ages 18-25 report having often witnessed public intoxication (YAADA Survey, 2012). • The community believes alcohol is synonymous with entertainment and has an expectation of alcohol at every event (Focus Groups, 2012). | <p>Media</p> |