



Fayette Prevention Coalition

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Old Business

- Tall Cop – April 21st, either 9-12 or 1-4, WVU Tech
 - Several coalition members attended either the morning or afternoon session of the presentation
 - Judge Sam Fox reported out that he was upset about what is being sold in our stores here in Fayette County and appreciated that Tall Cop showed Fayette County stores, not just stores in other states. The Judge reported that it gave him a new perspective and was very eye opening and informative.
 - Rhonda Chuyka reported out that during the Student Support Team round table, administrators took the information from the presentation to heart. Rhonda reported that our county needs to keep the momentum going and that more administrators need to attend the presentation.

- Jessica Harrah reported out that as a PRSS, there were things that she did not know that Tall Cop presented and that he needs to keep doing these presentations to inform communities.
- Sue Wood reported out that the first session had around 80 attendees, the second session had around 30 attended. The Raleigh County Prevention Coalition planned the majority of the event and a big thank you to WVU Tech who offered the space free of charge.
- Project Adventure April 23 & 24.
 - Project Adventure is an all hands-on deck event for the coalition, this was the 6th year of the event, bringing all the 4th and 5th graders in the county to the Fayette County Park to introduce them to activities they can participate in locally.
 - The event had 181 volunteers, 100 of those volunteers being youth volunteers
 - This year, our county had a new superintendent and assistant superintendent. Not only were the superintendent and assistant superintendent supportive leading up to the event, they along with the directors at the BOE attended the event on Friday.
 - Attached with the notes is the Summer Event flyer that Diane Callison created. The event learned early on that having presenters give the students flyers or give away during the event leads to those items being thrown all over the park. Instead, each year the team creates a handout highlighting the presenters at the event so that students can connect with the activities they enjoyed throughout the summer and the year.

New Business

- 2026 Teach Resort-6/29-7/1 <https://www.eventzilla.net/e/teach-resort-2026-2138674865>
 - Attached with the notes is a flyer with information on the conference

Ongoing Business

Partnership for Success

- Cassidy Berry– fayettepfs@gmail.com
- Focused on Increasing perception of harm regarding Teen Marijuana Use, protective factors by providing healthy alternative activities in Meadow Bridge & Midland Trail, and effectiveness of community partnerships
- **What have you accomplished?**
 - The evidence-based program Too Good for Drugs has been delivered to all of Ansted Elementary, with Midland Trail and Meadow Bridge finishing within the next week. Once this program is finished, the health educators will start on Catch My Breath in those schools.
 - Five Below donated over 2,000 items, Cassidy Berry sorted and distributed those items to 15 different organizations.
 - 19 lock boxes were distributed to Hidden Valley Center and during the Meadow Bridge Parent Engagement event.

Coalition Promotion – May 26th at 10am at the NRHA Dietary Kitchen

- Focused on social media, press releases, media campaigns and website of the Fayette Prevention Coalition.
- <https://www.facebook.com/FayettePreventionCoalition>
- <https://www.instagram.com/fayettepreventioncoalition/>
- <https://www.tiktok.com/@fpcwv>
- **What have you accomplished?**

- This committee meets the morning before the Coalition meeting to discuss all social media (including committee pages), press releases, paid campaigns, articles, and the website (housed under the FRN site).
- A prom/graduation ad is being run on snapchat and tiktok, promoting healthy decision making during these important events.
- The coalition will be set up at the Oak Hill Rail Trail event on June 6th.

Youth Action Team

- Shelby Holt – fayetteyouthpfs@gmail.com
- Open to any 7th-12th grader in Fayette County - youth engagement in substance use prevention activities
- Focuses on prevention education, community service, sharing positive mental health resources, offering healthy alternative activities and talking with policy makers.
- **What have you accomplished?**
 - Members participated in the Young Life clean up at Oak Hill City Park on April 9th.
 - On April 18th, members participated in a healthy alternative activity at Lockbridge Pottery in Meadow Bridge, 4 youth attended the event.
 - 7 members participated in Project Adventure, either as Adventure Guides or assisting Shelby Holt at the Camp SOAR station.
 - On May 12th at 1pm, members will be meeting at Dunkin Donuts for their next meeting and then will participate in a Chalk the Walk event at Fayetteville Town Park, writing positive messages in chalk.
 - April's Healthy Alternative Activity will be a Sunset Hike at Long Point. The tentative date is scheduled for May 28th.

Integrated Community Engagement Collaborative – May 7th at 9:30am at the FRN Office

- Katie Johnson – katie.johnson@fayettehealth.org
- <https://fayettefrn.com/get-local-data/>
- ICEC is based on the Icelandic Prevention Model, surveying all 7th-12th graders in our county to identify risk and protective factors in their lives. There are 4 domains that surround a youth; Family, Peers, Leisure Time and School.
- **What have you accomplished?**
 - The 7th year of data collection is concluded, the deidentified reports are available on the FRN Website under Get Local Data.
 - This 7th round of data shows a decline or plateau in substance use among our youth, however perception of harm has decreased.
 - If you know of a group that would benefit from an ICEC Data walk, or if anyone needs identified or community specific data, reach out to Katie at katie.johnson@fayettehealth.org.

Fayette County Teen Court – May 7th at 11am at Oak Hill High School (must bring an ID)

- Diane Callison – fayettefrn@gmail.com or Kristin Perry – kperry@k12.wv.us
- Volunteer application: <https://forms.gle/ZGgZPeciUjMXBFwE8>
- Hearings, volunteer events, recruit community service, scholarship program
- Teen Court is a court for teenagers (7th through 12th graders). There are two aspects to the program, the students in trouble and the youth volunteers. The highest charge heard in Teen Court would be a misdemeanor, both juvenile and parent consent is required. Youth volunteers serve in all court roles

(Defense Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney, Clerk, Bailiff and Jury). The philosophy of Teen Court is a juvenile offender won't become a repeat offender if a jury of their peers determine their consequences. Mandatory consequences include community service and jury duty.

- **What have you accomplished?**
 - Teen Court hosted a meeting yesterday, April 27th, with 7 volunteers in attendance. Volunteers engaged with Judge Fox in a discussion and continued creating a banner to display at Teen Court recruitment events.
 - The Teen Court Scholarship opened on April 1st for graduating seniors. They will be hosting the annual Awards Dinner on May 11th to honor those seniors and to announce the scholarship winner.
 - Next Committee meeting is this Thursday, May 7th at 11am at OHHS.

Early Childhood Literacy – May 11th at 3:30pm at the BOE office

- JR Davis – Jeffery.Davis@mail.wvu.edu
 - DPIL - <https://imaginationlibrary.com/check-availability/>
 - Read Aloud: <https://www.facebook.com/ReadAloudFayetteCounty>
- Read aloud, Dolly Parton Imagination Library, Snuggle & Read, book distributions
- JR and Sue are trained to offer Read Aloud trainings, if you or your group are interested in becoming read aloud readers, please reach out. There are also virtual trainings offered throughout the year by the State read aloud office.
- Dolly Parton Imagination Library sends free books to children 0-5, right now 63% of eligible children in Fayette County are registered.
- Snuggle & Read offers a free blanket and book to every PreK student in the County Collaborative. Volunteers host events at each school, inviting parents to come and learn the importance of early reading.
- **What have you accomplished?**
 - Right now, the group is looking for volunteers to cut and tie fleece blankets. A flyer is attached with the notes if anyone is interested in volunteering.
 - Valley PK-8 received a book bundle distribution from the State Read Aloud office, grades 2-5 received books based on their interests.

Adventure: Fayette County – Every Thursday at 9am via Zoom to plan for Project Adventure

- Teresa Workman – tfworkman@gmail.com
- Project Adventure, SOAR, Adventure Camp, Water Days,
- The Adventure Fayette County committee started in the early days of the coalition, focused on connecting youth with meaningful activities led by caring adults.
- **What have you accomplished?**
 - Camp SOAR registration is live, more information can be found here: <https://fayettefrn.com/camp-soar/> . Camp SOAR is a 6-week half-day camp available for 9-12 year olds, hosted at the Fayette County Park. The goal of the camp is to provide engaging activities based in 4 areas; creation, recreation, relaxation and education. Camp dates for this year; June 15 – July 3 (off for 4H camp) and then July 13 – 31.
 - Camp SOAR will be looking to hire junior counselors (must be at least 15), counselors in training (13-14 year olds), an Assistant Camp Director, an Senior Counselor, and a STEAM Ambassador.

All the job descriptions and how to apply can be found here:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61550123013890>

- Camp will also be looking for volunteers to lead station activities on Monday-Wednesday for 45 minutes. If you have a special talent you want to share with the campers or Shelby Holt can provide volunteers with an activity, a volunteer form will be available soon.

Intervention & Recovery – Email Carri.Strunk@nrhawv.org to request attendance at the next meeting

- Carri Strunk, carri.strunk@nrhawv.org or Paula McCutcheon at paula.mccutcheon@outlook.com
- Sober events, Healing Our Plateau, Save a Life day, Naloxone trainings
- Intervention and Recovery focuses on creating an inclusive environment for those in recovery and providing support and resources to those experiencing a Substance Use Disorder.
- **What have you accomplished?**
 - The committee plans to host Common Knowledge Workshops, the next workshop is meal planning on a budget.
 - You are not alone event was hosted at the Oak Hill Amphitheater, sharing resources and offering a stigma free environment for all people
 - The committee hosted a substance free social activity during the Easter Egg hunt at the Fayette County Park on April 4th. 10 committee members attended.
 - Healing our plateau is being requested for Saturday, September 5 2026
 - Recover Loud SWV is scheduled for June 24, 2026
 - The group observed a moment of silence for Blake Copenhaver

Treatment options in Fayette County

Anchor Medical 304-253-5155

- Offering primary care and Substance Use Disorder using MAT. Patients can receive care, counseling and treatment all in one visit. Medications include Suboxone and Vivitrol. We are also working on providing Hep C treatments and HIV prevention. We offer telehealth options.

Fayette County Health Department 304-646-6029

- Harm Reduction- Every week Monday – Thursday appointments only. Call 304-574-1617
- Mobile Services
 - Smithers 1st & 3rd Tuesday from 11:00am to 2:00pm
 - Scarbro- 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month from 1:00pm to 3:00pm
- QRT responds within 72 hours of an overdose.

FMRS 304-574-2100

- Providing Substance Use Disorder Therapy with two full time therapists. Medication Assisted Therapy include Suboxone, Vivitrol, and Sublocade. We also offer outpatient services, Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) medication, Alcohol withdraw, and Medication Assisted Treatment Access for Rural Appalachians (MARA) which is a wraparound service providing case management and transportation. Also, the Beckley Treatment Center does provide services for Fayette County residents. They offer counseling and medications include Suboxone, Vivitrol and Methadone.

Generations Health & Wellness 681-823-4257

- Currently housed in Oak Hill, offering counseling, urgent care and primary care services. Open every day throughout the week

Groups Recovery Together 304-584-1130

- Offering Medication Assisted Treatment, medications include Suboxone. Members attend weekly group meetings, either in person or virtually. Offering comprehensive recovery support to help address other aspects of life that impact recovery including employment, housing, transportation and others.

Harmony Ridge Recovery Center – 304-316-6893

- Offering Detoxification, Residential Treatment and Partial Hospitalization. We have a new location in Barboursville and are looking to further expand.

Hope for Tomorrow 304-857-6494

- Offering in patient services up to 90 days. Medication Assisted Treatment as an option, medications include methadone, buprenorphine, and naltrexone. A co-ed facility and can accept pregnant women up to 30 weeks.

LEAD – 304-923-3318

- Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) is a pre-booking program aimed at redirecting low-level offenders engaged in drug or prostitution activities to available community services.

Lifeline Addiction Specialist – 681-207-7105(MAT)

- Family Options Providers, therapy for kids-adult, addiction, mental health, (in office or telehealth) and Peer Services. DUI Class via Zoom 304-256-9610

New River Health 304-469-2905

- Providing Medication Assisted Treatment and there currently is no waiting list. Medications include Suboxone, Sublocade, and Brixadi. The program requires 4 hours of weekly meetings, behavioral health once a month, random drug screens, and visiting NRHA once a week.

Police & Peers – Tyson Kincaid 304-640-6402

- PRSS assisting local police departments when interacting with someone dealing with a Substance Use Disorder

PRSS Doula Services – 304-663-0621**Pyramid Healthcare – 888-461-7426**

- Offering treatment facilities in Hedgesville and Kearneysville. Available for 18+, offering co-occurring treatment, MAT, Peer Recovery Support Services, 24/7 admissions and statewide private transportation. Accepts WV Medicaid

Seed Sower – 304-392-5464

- 16 bed, female residential recovery treatment center in Greenbrier County. A women and children's recovery treatment center open in Montgomery.

Veltex – 681-422-3338

- Medication Assisted Therapy include Vivitrol and Buprenorphine. Offering female only residential treatment facility, located in Mt. Hope.

Wisepath – 304-877-1371

- Offering residential, outpatient and MAT options for Substance Use Disorder. Three locations (two in Morgantown and one in Williamson).

Roundtable**Katie Johnson – ICEC**

One Nation Under the Influence by Kevin Sabet – <https://www.amazon.com/One-Nation-Under-Influence-Americas/dp/150956070X>

Katie and the ICE Collaborative are featured in this book.

Natasha Jones – NRHA

Lucas Bus will be at NRHA on May 19th from 9am-4pm – Flyer attached with the notes.

Bonnie Bus will be at NRHA on May 22nd from 9am-4pm – Flyer attached with the notes.

NRHA Farmer's Market will start on May 19th from 12-7pm every Tuesday.

On May 5th at 5:30pm at the New River Convention Center a parent meeting for parents or community members invested in autism and ADHD de-escalation techniques and other resources. Childcare is available, a flyer is attached with the notes.

Lizzie Nestor – Fayette Youth Reporting Center

Southern Regional Jail needs newer books, going to start a book drive with a flyer soon. Looking for resources or suggestions to assist with transitions. Keith sits on the reentry council and will connect with Lizzie with information on joining that group.

On June 2nd at the Charleston Convention Center, Mission WV is hosting a Behind the Screen training. More information can be found here: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/behind-the-screens-clicks-consequences-and-prevention>

Cassady Berry – Fayette FRN

The FRN will be looking to hire a Mental Health Educator to teach evidence-based prevention curriculum at the middle and high school levels, a job description will be made available soon.

Car Show at Midland Trail on June 6th.

Car Show at Meadow Bridge on August 1st.

Theresa White – WV EMD

On May 13th from 9am-2pm at the Midland Trail Community Center is hosting a LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) Drill on reunification after a large-scale event. A flyer is attached with the notes.

Shandi Byrd – Parents as Teachers

On May 7th from 4:30pm-7pm at the New River Convention Center a free vendor event offering services and information for families with young children. A flyer is attached with the notes.

Carri Strunk – NRHA and Coalition Coordinator

The 4H Teen Leaders are hosting their Flock a Friend Fundraiser event, a flyer is attached with the notes.

4H camp is looking for camp staff, both part time and full-time positions, a flyer is attached with the notes.

Belinda Hopkins – AWAY

AWAY is hosting Causeacon, 5/1 – 5/3, with food, vendors, and games. A flyer is attached with notes. If you need more information, contact Samantha Sizemore at 304-255-4066

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at Noon at New River Health – Oak Hill Site

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