

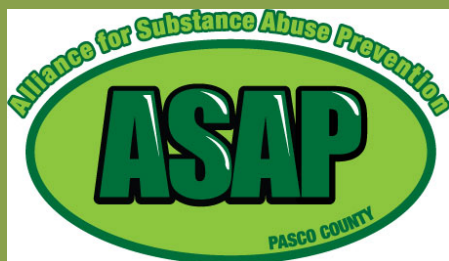


Pasco County Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention

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ASAP Mission:

"To develop, motivate, and encourage strategic relationships that reduce county risk factors and decrease substance abuse rates among youth and adults.

HEADLINES:

Guest Speaker from Dual Diagnosis Program at Next ASAP Meeting

The guest speaker for the September 27th, 2011 ASAP meeting is Jennifer Baptie from BayCare Behavioral Health's Dual Diagnosis Program. This program is located on Adler 5 at Morton Plant Hospital and was created to meet the needs of adults in the community suffering from co-occurring psychiatric and substance abuse disorders. The program is designed as a short-term intervention to help stabilize life imbalances related to primary psychiatric illness and substance use, and includes linking participants to the next level of care appropriate to their specific needs. Treatment is highly individualized and provided through collaboration of an interdisciplinary team of professionals and community-based support networks. For more information on the Dual Diagnosis Program, please call (727) 298-6550 and attend the September 27th meeting to learn more.

The Prescription Pill Epidemic, What You Can Do and Why It Matters

The ASAP would like to thank everyone who turned out for event and making it such a success. A special thanks to the Keynote Speakers: Dr. Cynthia R. Lewis-Younger, Managing Director of the Florida Poison Information Center Tampa and Dr. Julie Knight, Clinical Pharmacist for Healthcare Services.

We would also like to thank our panelists: Senator Mike Fasano, Representative John Legg, and from the Pasco Sheriffs Office: Detective Davis, DEA Tactical Diversion Unit in Tampa, Lt. Charles Balderstone, Vice and Narcotics, and Jack Koch, Child Protective Investigations



COMMUNITY CORNER

Museum of Science and Industry to Host DEA Exhibit

TARGET AMERICA: OPENING EYES TO THE DAMAGE DRUGS CAUSE
NATIONAL TOUR OPENS IN TAMPA AT MUSEUM OF SCIENCE & INDUSTRY - SEPTEMBER 16, 2011
Includes Artifacts from the World Trade Center and Pentagon Attacks

June 16 – (Tampa, Fl.) – The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) national touring exhibit, *Target America: Opening Eyes to the Damage Drugs Cause*, opens at the Museum of Science & Industry (MOSI) in Tampa on September 16, 2011. Visitors will have the opportunity to view rubble from the September 11, 2001, attacks on the Pentagon and World Trade Center, a drug related car wreck from Ohio, and several re-creations including a methamphetamine hotel cook room, jungle cocaine lab, and an Afghan heroin “factory”.

These artifacts are part of a traveling exhibit which shows the link between United States (U.S.) drug sales and the funding of terrorism. Starting with the horrific events of September 11, 2001, and moving back in time to Asia’s ancient Silk Road, *Target America* will present the visitor with a global and historical overview of the deadly connection between drugs and terror and the damage drugs cause every day, as well as a newly designed section describing the response to drug trafficking trends in Florida.

According to the DEA Miami Field Division Special Agent in Charge Mark R. Trouville, “Florida has been on the forefront of many national drug trafficking trends from the cocaine cowboys of the 70’s and 80’s to the pill mills of today. This exhibit not only explores international and national drug trafficking trends, but ties in Florida’s historical role as a “gateway” and the resulting costs and consequences.”

“We are pleased to bring *Target America: Opening Eyes to the Damage Drugs Cause* to the Museum of Science & Industry in Tampa. We believe this exhibition will open the Tampa Bay community’s eyes to the real story of the damage that drugs cause. The *Target America* exhibition is a great example of how cultural institutions like our own can address serious social issues, build healthier communities and educate the public,” said Wit Ostrenko, President of MOSI.

The exhibit, which has inspired more than 20 million visitors, premiered September 11, 2002, at the DEA Museum in Arlington, Virginia and traveled to Dallas, Texas; Ashland, Nebraska; New York, New York; Detroit, Michigan; Chicago, Illinois; Los Angeles, California; and New Orleans, Louisiana. The 10,000 square-foot touring exhibit will be at Tampa’s Museum of Science & Industry before traveling to other cities, including Atlanta, Georgia, and Boston, Massachusetts.

The Museum of Science & Industry, at 4801 E. Fowler Avenue, Tampa, is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. *Target America* is included in MOSI admission.

Target America: Opening Eyes to the Damage Drugs Cause was developed in partnership with The DEA Educational Foundation, The Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, The U.S. National Guard, The National Institute on Drug Abuse, The Office of National Drug Control Policy and The Partnership for a Drug Free America.

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Drug Court Ambassador Program

Teens involved in the Juvenile Justice system are now participants of a new program in Pasco County courts. Read more here:

<http://www.tampabay.com/news/courts/criminal/in-new-pasco-county-program-adults-tell-teens-their-stories-of-addiction/1183051>

Fostering Hope for Life

**“I may not be there yet,
but I’m closer than I was yesterday...”**



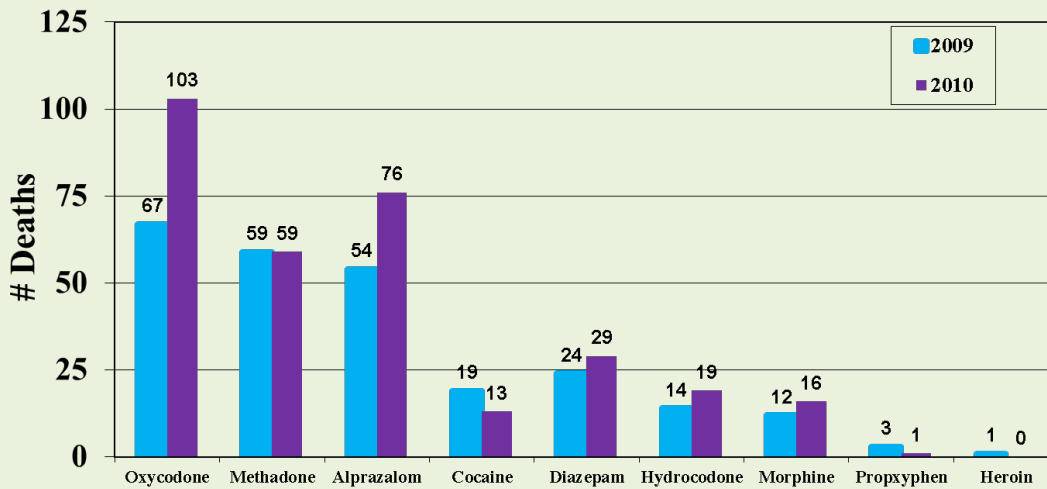
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RESEARCH

Pasco County Lethal Level of Drug is Present at Death



Note. Data from Florida Department of Law Enforcement, 2010 Report of Drugs Identified in Deceased Persons by Florida Medical Examiners, June 2011: <http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/publications/Examiners/2010MERDrugReport.pdf>

SPOTLIGHT

Drug Take Back Event

Florida's 2nd Annual Drug Take Back Event on Saturday, August 27th was a total success! Florida had 50 agencies run 83 site locations across the state and were able to collectively pull in 5,475.56 pounds of miscellaneous medications from our communities. **That's over 2 ½ tons of disposed medications!** Pasco Sheriff's Office had two site locations and took in 1,241 pounds of miscellaneous medications and 217 pounds of sharps, bringing the total to 1,458.

The top 5 agencies that pulled in the highest numbers of medications won a free permanent drug drop box and Pasco County led the way: **Pasco Sheriff Office = 1,241 pounds**, Brevard County Sheriff's Office = 1,015.92 pounds, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office = 390.20 pounds, St. Petersburg Police Department = 301.60 pounds, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office = 243.20 pounds. Thank you Pasco County for making this event such a HUGE SUCCESS!

2011 Meeting Dates:

September 27, 2011
October 25, 2011
November and December TBD

2011 ASAP Executive Committee

Tracey Kaly, Chair
Art Rowand, Vice Chair
Paula Green, Secretary
Debbie Antioco, Treasurer
Chrissie Parris, Coalition Staff
Phil Cohen, Board Member at Large
Chris Wittmann, Board Member at Large

ASAP Meetings are held from 10:00 to 11:30am at Land O Lakes Community Center 5401 Land O Lake Boulevard (US 41). Everyone is welcome to attend and assist in Pasco County's prevention efforts!



Debbie Antioco, Tracey Kaly, Art Rowand, Paula Green, Phil Cohen, Chrissie Parris (Not Pictured: Chris Wittmann)