

July 6th 2022

Dear Members and Friends of OnTrack Anti-Drug Coalition,

As summer is underway, we take a moment to look back on this past spring. Many of us were particularly glad to attend outdoor events, and most weekends seemed to include multiple options. Our Hidden in Plain Sight Trailer was on display at Celebrate the Family in Hardy County, and OnTrack supported Drug Takeback in Mineral County during the annual Strawberry Festival.

The OnTrack Education in Action Committee planned and coordinated a Youth Volunteer Fair in Martinsburg on May 14th. 57 young people aged 12-22 attended the fair, and materials and information were also shared with the gathering of roughly 200 people who attended the larger Heritage Day event. Members of this spring's committee worked on building skills with public speaking, community engagement, and project management. Please let Alison Mee know if you are interested in participating in the next Education in Action Committee project.

TJ Dawson attended the Central East Prevention Technology Transfer Center Council Meeting in April. Many free trainings are available through the PTTC and the council members have an opportunity to help identify what further training may be available in the future.

YAC PAK stands for Youth Advisory Council Prevention Action Kit. These kits will be available for distribution to individuals or groups who express interest. Give-away materials for the YAC PAKs are being collected. Please speak to Alison or TJ if your organization would like to provide something. Additional OnTrack YAC artwork was created by young artists this spring.

TJ Dawson is providing an OnTrack Dungeons and Dragons youth summer series in Moorefield. In early August, look for OnTrack at the Tri-County Fair in Petersburg, and at National Night Out in Jefferson County.

Alison and TJ will be presenting a CATCH My Breath Training in Moorefield on July 20th. RSVP to either, and please help encourage educators to attend.

Vaping prevention video ads were run in Department of Motor Vehicle Services locations in Pendleton, Hardy, and Mineral Counties. We have also continued our support of returns of leftover prescription medications. Our environmental scan of commercially available drop boxes determined that one that was listed on Google search did not actually exist. This was resolved.

Plans for OnTrack Anti-Drug Coalition activities emerge from coalition meetings. Please find our updated meeting schedule on www.erfrn.info.

Have a safe and fun summer,

Alison Mee and TJ Dawson