

DFC Grant Application

This is an application for the Drug Free Communities (DFC) grant. The application/agreement is between HHSA Public Health Prevention and Planning Unit (PAPU) and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. The amount applied for is \$125,000/ year for 5 years.

Date: 1/14/16

Program/Service Area Applying for Funds: Public Health, Prevention and Planning Unit

Application/Agreement/Grant Name: Drug Free Communities (DFC) in Ft Bragg Grant

Funder: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA)

Amount of Grant: \$125,000/ year for 5 years

Match Required: \$30,000

New Staff Hired: 0

Term dates: 9/30/16 – 9/29/22

Due Date: 3/4/16

Purpose of Application/Agreement/Grant:

Substance abuse prevention and community environmental education directly addressing Strategic Plan Initiative #7, Goal VII-E. The California Healthy Kids Survey provides data that aids setting the goals for the DFC grant objectives. The survey data showed that prescription drug abuse, youth marijuana use, and youth binge drinking are the top issues faced by the youth in Fort Bragg. For 2016-17 the DFC grant will fund:

Objectives:

1. Youth Asset Engagement
 - a. 10 weeks of substance abuse prevention education for 7th grade in the Fort Bragg Middle School, plus refresher courses for the 8th grade
 - b. Youth engagement at Fort Bragg High School, using Friday Night Live framework, that will give students the skills to advocate for changes at their school and in the community.
 - c. Participation in Fort Bragg Unified School District Teen Court to provide substance abuse prevention education activities.
2. Educational Initiatives
 - a. Community forum and follow-up educational activities on the negative effects of youth marijuana use on the development of the teen brain
 - b. Prescription drug abuse education in conjunction with the Safe Rx Mendocino Opioid Coalition
 - c. Community forum and follow-up educational activities on youth binge drinking

- d. Participation in local health fairs and community events to provide educational materials
- 3. Policy Development and Change
 - a. Advocating for policy change related to alcohol and prescription drug availability to youth
 - b. Reviewing local marijuana legislation and working with local officials to change policies to limit youth access to marijuana.

Collaborative & Contracted Partners (if applicable):

- 1 Mendocino County Youth Project
- 2 Safe Passage FRC
- 3 Amanda Durrigan, Contractor for Youth Engagement