

## YOUTH ENGAGEMENT MILESTONES

#### **Progress timeline**

2015-2016

Occasional youth volunteers

2016-2017

1 Youth Liaison employed by CCHD

3-4 SADD members

2017-2018

2 Youth Liaisons employed by CCHD

5-6 SADD members

2018-2019

4 Youth Liaisons employed by CCHD

1 National Youth Ambassador for Tobacco Free Kids

3 SADD officers & 5-8 core members

2019-2020

4 SADD officers & 8-12 core members

2-3 Youth Liaisons to be hired by CCHD

Prineville Chamber of Commerce interns

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2016-2017

Student support for Quitline bus wraps

1st Annual Popsicles in the Park

4 students attended Place Matters

2017-2018

2 students attended CADCA in Washington DC

Student-led key informant interviews

Middle School Health Fair 2018-2019

2 students @ CADCA in Washington DC

24 students @ Youth Empowerment Summit for Health

9 students @ OPHA Public Health Advocacy Day

4 students @ SADD National Conference 2019-2020

TBD...

- TRL
- SADD National
- CADCA
- YouthEmpowermentSummit
- ACTION
- Mental Health

## THE HOW

#### **Prioritize**



- Administration/management buy-in
- Root in research & best-practice (Hart's Ladder, PYD)
- Value the investment

#### **Foster Relationships**



- Be present (MFMC, ASPIRE, plays, school board, games...)
- Offer something of value
- Text

#### **Leverage Resources**



- COHC
- St. Charles
- Program budgets

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## **Be Intentional**

- Community Coalition integration
- Team & Department engagement
- Work plans



CENTRAL OREGON YOUTH

# PHOTOVOICE PROJECT

2018-2019

## PROJECT GOALS

#### What we set out to do:

Identify and evaluate effective messaging and other prevention & intervention approaches for use with youth in the community and in the primary care setting.

Increase awareness among youth about:

- tobacco industry tactics to target youth
- effects of tobacco use
- resources available to prevent initiation and support cessation

Further Tobacco Retail Licensing (TRL) and flavor bans to prevent youth tobacco initiation



## WHY

17.3% of 8th graders and 23.2% of 11th graders in Central Oregon self-report tobacco use.

E-cigarette use has increased dramatically, which results in nicotine dependence and dual use among youth.

Primary care providers are faced with having more conversations about addiction and products that are clouded with mixed messages.

Project designed to enhance multiple efforts, including the Central Oregon Smokefree Oregon media campaign and the National Tobacco-Free Kids Youth Ambassador activities in the region.



## **Encourage | Inspire | Empower**

# SPEAK THE TRUTH, EVEN IF YOUR VOICE SHAKES

**MAGGIE KUHN** 

#### **CROOK**

Crook County Health Department, Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) CCHS Chapter, Crook County Empowered coalition

#### **DESCHUTES**

Deschutes County Health Services, Shared Futures Coalition

#### **JEFFERSON**

Jefferson County Health Department, Bestcare - Jefferson County Prevention

#### WARM SPRINGS

Warm Springs Prevention Team, Native Aspirations Coalition

## WHO



## WHAT



## **Training**

Tobacco prevention & skill building



#### **Assessment**

Hearing directly from students what they experience and want

#### **Action**



Raising peer, community & decisionmaker awareness of tobacco use issues

## **Advocacy**

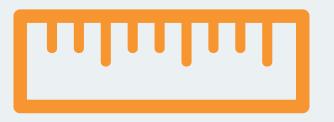


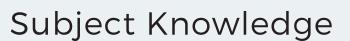
Educating about and asking for policy change - including TRL and ICAA expansion

# TRAINING

## EMPOWERING LEADERS

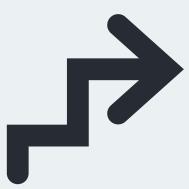
## **Positive Youth Development**







Leadership Development



Skill Building



# Youth Empowerment Summit for Health

24 students | 2 days | Eagle Crest Resort

- Successful Youth-Adult Partnerships
- Leadership Styles
- Teamwork
- Speaking & Presentation Skills
- Media Training
- Action Planning for Change & Evaluation



# **SADD National Conference**

4 students | 4 days | Scottsdale, AZ

- E-cigarette prevention research & resources
- Leadership development
- Social Media & messaging
- Group sustainability

## ASSESSMENT

## FOCUS GROUPS

6 focus groups conducted with 48 middle & high school students.

Focus groups were held in Crook, Jefferson, and Deschutes counties. Discussion questions were developed and vetted with youth input.

#### Discussions addressed:

- Health issues of importance & concern
- Provider relationships
- Advice for talking about nicotine use



## FOCUS GROUP THEMES

#### **CONFIDENTIALITY**

- Parents
- More likely to be truthful

#### **RELATIONSHIP**

- Judgement creates defensiveness
- Desire for respect, patience & empathy
- Trust
- Connection

#### **CONTEXT**

- Identify underlying causes
- Mental health & self-medication
- Addressing the why will support recovery

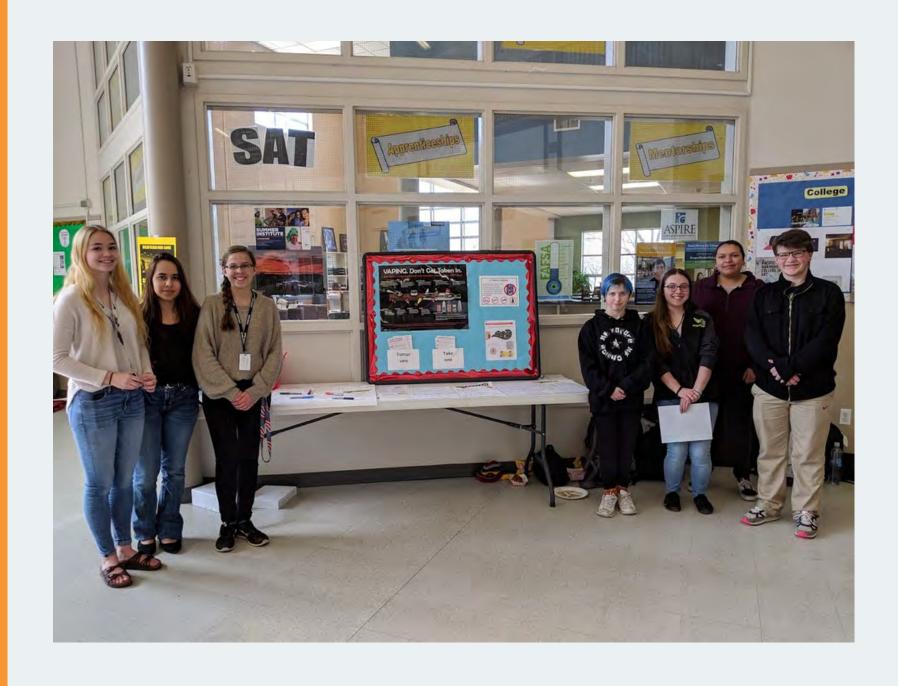
#### **FOLLOW-UP**

- Creation of a plan and followup
- Help make
   quitting seem
   less
   overwhelming
- Supportive reminders

# ACTION

## RAISING AWARENESS

- Tobacco industry tactics to target youth
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#### More than talk.

Students: Celebrated drug-free parks. Developed & shared educational materials. Cleaned up their communities.

# ADVOCACY

# MAKING THEIR VOICE HEARD.

# Advocating with Decision-makers

Students from Central Oregon presented to elected officials in Washington, DC; Salem; and cities & counties throughout Central Oregon.

Emphasized Tobacco Retail Licensing, flavor bans, and expanding the Indoor Clean Air Act.





## **Encourage | Inspire | Empower**

# NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS CAN CHANGE THE WORLD; INDEED, IT'S THE ONLY THING THAT EVER HAS.

MARGARET MEAD



## OUTCOMES

40 Adults & 54 Adolescents directly served

24 youth trained in tobacco prevention advocacy

Tobacco Retail Licensing proposals drafted and/or advocated for in city and county jurisdictions throughout the region

Prevention & intervention messaging developed for use with teens



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