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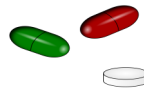


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**Ionia County  
Substance Abuse Initiative**



**Prevent Prescription Drug Abuse**  
Drop off unused medications at one of the secure law enforcement locations listed below



**Prescription drug abuse is the fastest growing drug problem in the U.S.**



**Ionia County Sheriff's Office**  
133 Adams Street, Ionia, MI



**Belding Police Department**  
120 Pleasant Street, Belding, MI



**Portland Police Department**  
773 Grand River Avenue, Portland, MI



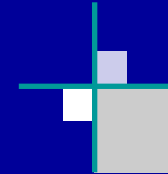
**Lake Odessa Police Department**  
839 4th Avenue, Lake Odessa, MI

**Ionia County Substance Abuse Initiative**

175 E. Adams Street, Ionia MI 48846



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**Do Your Part: Be the Solution..**  
Help us prevent and raise awareness of prescription drug, tobacco and alcohol abuse



**"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure"**

**Ben Franklin**

## The ICSAI Coalition

**The Coalition** has been operational since 2000. A renewed hope for tackling substance abuse in Ionia County began eighteen years ago with a community-driven strategic plan. This plan was developed after careful deliberation of our community vision and mission relating to substance abuse.

**The Coalition** consists of workgroup members and an advisory board.

**The Coalition Advisory Board** members are appointed by the Ionia County Board of Commissioners (BOC), representing each of the BOC districts.

**The Coalition Workgroup** members provide strong linkages across the county, with members from non-profit agencies, community members, courts officials, human services, behavioral health, law enforcement, business owners, the recovery community, school officials, and local government.



### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**Coalition Volunteers** help make the ICSAI Substance Use Disorder Prevention a success. New Coalition members are encouraged and welcome.

Are you interested in learning more or becoming a coalition member?

Contact Debbie Thalison for more information  
616-527-5341 [dthalison@ioniacounty.org](mailto:dthalison@ioniacounty.org)

## Prevention Program Services

**TIPS Training:** Encourages responsible alcohol sales.

**Prescription Medication Drop Boxes:** The Coalition promotes the need and use of drop boxes. They also provide awareness and education on addiction and non-medical use of prescription medications.

**Teen Intervene:** Teen Intervene helps youth identify the reasons they have chosen to use alcohol and/or other drugs, examine the effects of substance abuse in their lives, and learn to make healthier choices.

**Vendor Education:** The Coalition provides vendor education and signage annually to all tobacco and alcohol vendors in Ionia County.

**Too Good For Drugs:** Is an evidenced based curriculum that is currently provided at three schools in Ionia County.



## Prevention Initiatives

Reduce Underage Drinking  
Community Prevention Presentations  
Impaired Driving Prevention Education  
Substance Use Awareness Campaigns  
SYNAR and Non-SYNAR Inspections  
Too Good For Drugs Programs  
Too Good For Violence Programs  
Do Your Part Media Campaign  
Teen Intervene



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Community Health Director  
Substance Abuse Prevention Director



### **Vision Statement**

*All Ionia County residents will be free of substance abuse and its effects.*

### **Mission Statement:**

*To facilitate a continuum of substance abuse services in Ionia County, with a primary focus on youth, including the use and abuse of drugs in a comprehensive and long-term manner.*

