

## Accomplishments in our first year

- Held our first meeting in February 2015
- Recruited all 12 community sectors
- Established an Executive Committee and Mission Statement
- Developed a coalition website, http://griswoldyfs.com/griswold-p.r.i.d.e.html
- Held 2 Drug Take Back Day events, collecting over 115 pounds of medication for safe disposal while also preventing misuse and abuse of those medications
- Conducted a school survey to gauge the consumption patterns of middle and high school students
- Initiated "Say it with PRIDE, Parents Don't Provide" media campaign, targeting parents to remind them of the legal and developmental consequences of providing alcohol to minors
  - Donated custom designed labeled bottled water to the Booster Club
  - Original PSA's on Wolverine Radio, and sponsorship of live broadcasts of GHS Football games
  - Informational flyers to all parents of Griswold students
- Participated in community events, including Youthtopia, Spooktopia, Red Ribbon Rally, and the Putnam Dazzle Light Parade
  - ◊ Sponsored a Haunted Maze at Spooktopia
  - Handed out PRIDE promotional items, including wristbands, tattoos, and brochures
- Raised funds for the purchase of a drug detection dog for CT State Police, Troop E
  - Received formal recognition by the Commissioner of Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
- Secured funding to work with the CT State Police Resident Troopers to conduct the DARE program with all 5th grade students and conduct Compliance Checks with alcohol retail outlets
- Awarded the federal Drug Free Communities Mentoring grant as the Mentee coalition working with Putnam PRIDE

## **Initiatives for the New Year**

- ⇒ Student Leadership Training Program Symposium for Griswold and Putnam Middle and High School students
- ⇒ Trainings for our coalition members and community sectors: Strategic Prevention Framework, Multiculturalism, National Community Anti Drug Coalitions of America Prevention Conference
- ⇒ Community needs assessment, new media campaigns, and continuing the successful Drug Take Back Days, as well as additional new and novel initiatives

Thank you for being part of this team to make

## Griswold a drug free community!

And a special thanks goes out to Putnam PRIDE for their

guidance, assistance, mentorship, leadership, and donations.

