

## Proposal for Work Groups for LCSAPC

### Group One: Community Engagement

This group will work to provide opportunities for the target population (as determined by the epidemiological study) to participate in safe and healthy activities that exclude substance use. These alternative strategies must be based on the community needs assessment and aimed at building skills that reduce risk or enhance protective factors.

*Examples include: free social and recreational events, community drop-in centers, community service activities, youth, or adult leadership activities. Community connection and a safe environment to engage with others as one's authentic self which are excellent protective factors for all ages.*

### Group Two: Research and Needs Assessment

This group will assist in a professionally conducted county wide epidemiological study. This study will identify key focus areas of individuals and subgroups who exhibit biological, psychological, and or social risk factors for developing a substance use disorder or co-occurring disorder. Group two will report findings from epidemiological study and provide community needs assessment to aid in Group One's planning and implementation.

### Group Three: Capacity Building & Education

Incorporate organization, strategic planning, interagency collaboration, community, or team building to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of service implementation. Research and conduct training for local leaders, school professionals, and the community.

*Examples of this strategy would be training a network of providers to implement peer recovery coaching services. OR providing an ACES training for school professionals and community leaders. Additionally, will locate resources and key collaborators to assist in the overall planning process.*

## Phased Group Building and Planning

**Phase I:** Update Strategic plan, and revise wording. When finished, as a coalition vote on revisions and implement new processes and procedures (if needed). (Due 1/30/22)

**Phase II:** Select groups 1-3. Invite community stakeholders to join group initiatives and present overarching themes and goals. (Due 2/28/22)

**Phase III:** Set dates for goals and TAKE ACTION! (TBD and will vary from group to group)