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1401 E Watertower St, Meridian, ID 83642  
January 16, 2025 | 4-5PM

**23 ATTENDEES** (19 In-person) Kendall Nagy, Hailey Blogg, Earl Scharff, Kati Chauvin, Danielle Fanopoulos, Cheryl Mulvihill, Brenda Willson, Terry Austin, Jordan Robinson, Syler Maben, Neven Lusambe, Caylee May, Jacob Cluff, Andrea Hill, Tiffany Myers, Susie Stertz, Johnathan VanderVeen, James VanderVeen, John Fidge (4 Zoom) Heather Allan, Courtney Boyce, David Phillips, Kristina Lampe

TIME	SPEAKER   AGENDA ITEMS	NOTES
4:00	<b>Kendall Nagy, Director:</b> Additions to Agenda?   Welcome & Introductions	<b>(all)</b> sign-in, introductions
4:10	<b>Hailey Blogg, Secretary:</b> <a href="#">12/19/24 General Meeting Minute</a> vote (sent out via email), CHS Basketball game Mt. View HS presentations WASD CTE project	<b>(Secretary)</b> record attendees, take minutes; special attention to action items & votes   <b>(all)</b> vote to amend or approve minutes- motion, second, all in favor, anyone opposed? 1 <sup>st</sup> – Jake, 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Earl. All in favor. This Saturday I'll be working a Natural High Booth with Earl and David at the CHS Varsity Girls and Varsity Boys Basketball games. Thank you for volunteering! In April, Officer Rodriguez, Drug Prevention Counselor Dawn Tolan, and I will present to several health classes like we have done in the past. CTE Project – working alongside Project Filter, meeting with the AV/Broadcasting CTE Class to give a presentation on Natural High and then hear what ideas the students have. This project started last year and has continued.
4:15	<b>Executive Committee, Sector Representatives (SRs)</b> <b>Caylee, Youth SR:</b>  <b>Danielle, Youth Serving SR:</b> <b>David, Substance Abuse SR:</b>  <b>Yoonwa, School SR:</b>  <b>Jake, Religious SR:</b> Communities for Youth, <b>Andrea Hill</b> (10 min.)	<b>SR Action Items:</b> implementation ideas for <i>Hidden in Plain Sight</i> trailer  <b>(Caylee)</b> Watched my PSA in theatres, such a cool experience. Kendall, Hailey, and I filmed a Natural High PSA on making cookies and it's being shown at the Village Cinema. Will be helping at Connection is the Cure Event. <b>(Danielle)</b> Will be at the Connection is the Cure Event. <b>(David)</b> New job, my family utilized CIT unit over the break, shout out to our cops. Legislative session regarding HB7. Conversations with musicians and athletes about Natural High and what it is. As we use that program more here, hoping to highlight those students that are living that lifestyle. Shoutout to Caylee. Impact on our educators over the last couple years, excited to share more about what we do. Good impact to Boise kids and families. <b>(Yoonwa/Tiffany)</b> Data dip over winter break. Two years ago, we had 37 vape violations for 7 <sup>th</sup> graders, this year we have 12 violations. There was a total of 210 violations last year, 167 this year. This is after implementing Catch My Breath. <b>(Jake)</b> Invited Communities for Youth today, an initiative that is being ran in Boise. In addition, the Watertower Championship got funding so we can start working on that. In the sports world we see an increase in steroids and stimulants use. <b>(Andrea)</b> <a href="#">Communities for Youth</a> , we focus on upstream prevention for mental health and wellbeing. Working with communities to increase protective factors to have youth thrive. Increase capacity to support youth. MADC has an avenue to support youth. We look at all the different domains, we look to see what makes it easier for youth or more difficult for youth to meet their



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	<p><b>Earl, Parent SR:</b></p> <p><b>Jordan, Media SR:</b> Welcome!</p> <p><b>Brenda, Healthcare SR:</b></p>	<p>full potential. Work to understand the youth experience, usually through a survey to collect data to create strategic goals and determine what specifically youth need. Then collect data again to see if we are making the progress they need. Share with community partners the risk factors that are affecting Boise youth. Not assuming all youth are making the correct choices. We are having listening sessions in Meridian to get parents and community members to come and talk with us. Meridian City Hall listening session on 2/13, 5:30-7:30pm, we want to listen to you. It will be a facilitated discussion to understand what may be challenging for youth. Working with the Mayor’s office to see if there are different ways to compile/gather different information. Then can give evidence-based solution. <b>(Earl)</b> Can you share any of the factors that impact the youth? <b>(Andrea)</b> We ask about sleep, time outside, physical activity, drug/alcohol abuse, trusted adults, self-awareness, school environment, family support, etc. <b>(Danielle)</b> Where can I get the data? <b>(Andrea)</b> It will be on our <a href="#">website</a> but for us to have data in other communities they must request. <b>(Earl)</b> Will you include the website in the newsletter? <b>(Kendall)</b> Yes. <b>(Jacob)</b> A stat that stood out to me was, 58% of kids don’t have a trusted adult in their life. That shocked me. <b>(Kendall)</b> Thank you for joining us and providing information. Next steps, promote and attend the listening session. Is that accurate? <b>(Andrea)</b> Please come to that and share with others, <a href="#">RSVP</a> and if there are other things happening in the community we’ll let you know. <b>(Kati)</b> When is the next listening session? <b>(Andrea)</b> Feb 13, 5:30 at Meridian City Hall. <b>(Kati)</b> I will highlight that at my next event. <b>(Jake)</b> We will create a Facebook post, talking to the mayor about a blog post, pushing it out on social. This is really for parents. <b>(Kendall)</b> Clarify on that. Target audience for the listening session is for youth and adults? <b>(Andrea)</b> This is not designed for youth; this is designed for adults. We cannot talk to youth without parental permission. Work we do is building community trust and ask parents how do you think we could gather info, what would you want that to look like.</p> <p><b>(Earl)</b> Holy Apostles has a new parish nurse, and I sent that contact info to Kendall. They promote MADC events as much as possible. I found a headline about <a href="#">Galaxy Gas</a>, guess back-east it is relevant. <b>(Hailey)</b> MADC created a <a href="#">Prevention Bulletin on Galaxy Gas</a>. I first heard about it from a high-school student when I was teaching in the classroom. It is advertised as a “whip-cream enhancer”, and you can buy it at <a href="#">Walmart</a>. It is flavored nitrous oxide that is inhaled for people to get high.</p> <p><b>(Jordan)</b> Been here for about 2½ months, thank you for your patience, I will be at a few trainings. I come from Boise PD Victim Witness and wanted something new. Got married a couple months ago, lots of life changes. Super excited, if you think there’s anything I need to know please let me know.</p> <p><b>(Brenda)</b> A big topic for 2025 is youth voice. In regards to family voice, we have a lot of things in place, but youth voice is also important. It is exciting to hear what the kiddos, and ways we can be creative. FYIdaho is located in Boise, but we are responsible for the entire state. Working on a big project with my staff and working closely with our board, schools, and other entities. If you have any interest in learning more on</p>
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	<p><b>Kati, Government SR:</b> <a href="#">Vaping Prevention Edu. Night</a> for Parents</p> <p><b>Susie, Civic SR:</b> any CCI or award updates?</p>	<p>how to work together, specifically for youth voice throughout the state - we can look at partnering. State-changing opportunity, it is going to spread. We want to bring prevention into our strategies. Also, planning on Children’s Mental Health Week. <a href="#">Email Brenda</a> if you’d like to get involved. <b>(Kendall)</b> When you get further along and have more specifics, please let us know. <b>(Kendall)</b> Danielle anniversary planning? <b>(Danielle)</b> No details yet.</p> <p><b>(Kati)</b> Holding a parent-guardian virtual webinar, 16 parents registered. Anyone who wants to win a \$100 <a href="#">must register</a> and attend. Idaho Youth Campaign Alliance, CTE program created a PSA that is vape specific. It was created by students from a couple high schools that we talked to about vaping and stress management. Going to Rocky Mountain HS and talking about cancer prevention and oral pouches. Learned about an organization called the <a href="#">Phoenix</a> that provides no-cost activities for those who live a drug-free life. Idaho Tobacco Alliance, e-cig regulatory committee, talked with vape retailers and public health districts; discussing how youth are getting their hands on vape products. Need to talk about health risks, permitting issues, black-market sellers, identification, etc. Letter from Gerald Raymond representative. <a href="#">Unaltered State</a> through Idaho Public TV, airing in April. Online and ready to go. <a href="#">Youth PSA contest</a>. Idaho Drug-Free Youth posted their <a href="#">leadership academy</a>. Feb 28<sup>th</sup> – Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> in Cascade ID. CDH is going to put some scholarships together. Email <a href="#">Kati</a> for details.</p> <p><b>(Susie)</b> Will make an announcement next month regarding Officer Rodriguez’s nomination. Currently promoting <a href="#">Hoop Shoot</a> through the Elks. It’s a free throw contest. Must shoot 25/25 to advance. Most kids from Boise go all the way to Nationals. Shared with Kevin at Boys and Girls Club. Also promoting the Elk’s essay, poster, and video contest. Poster contest: if we get one from Idaho that wins, they get to be published in the coloring book. CCI’s continuation it is not looking good.</p>
<p><b>4:45</b></p>	<p><b>Kendall:</b> Household Hazardous Waste (vape disposal) ISLD Grant</p> <p>Trailer MPD Support Services Commander</p> <p>Legislation</p>	<p><b>(Kendall)</b> Republic Services contracts with City of Meridian. All of Ada County now has a resource for residents to safely dispose of vapes at household hazardous waste sites. For Meridian specifically it’s at the <a href="#">transfer station</a>, Mondays 12-7pm. MADC applied for a Idaho State Liquor Division (ISLD) Mini Grant to help fund Parent Prevention Packets. ISLD had a lot of requests and less funds than in the past. MADC did not receive funding. Hidden in Plain Sight Trailer is coming along, wrap has been applied. Inside is set up like a youth’s bedroom. The Executive Committee will walk-through the trailer at the February CEC meeting and provide suggestions to implement the program. Slight change with MPD, it impacts the Community Service Division which is the division Hailey and I work under. We have a new supervisor, the Support Services Commander, a new civilian position is now Stacey Pechin. Next meeting in February, we will have two guest speakers at the General meeting, Family Advocates &amp; Idaho Public Policy Institute. Open discussion on <a href="#">House Bill 7</a>, Mandatory Minimums for 3 oz or less of Marijuana. It passed committee and the floor and is headed to the Senate. We will put a link to view the testimony. Kind Idaho, the organization collecting signatures on a ballot initiative to legalize marijuana in Idaho, had two people testify and one of their</p>



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	<p><b>Upcoming:</b> Centennial HS Basketball Game 1/18, Connection is the Cure 1/29, Eagle HS 2/4 &amp; 27</p>	<p>representatives blatantly said, “We want to legalize all drugs in Idaho.” (TIME 59:40 – explanation of Kind Idaho and decriminalize of drugs). Download and watch the video recording <a href="#">HERE</a>. <b>(Susie)</b> The vote was 10-4. I read Monte Stiles stuff, writes about how people are opposing the bill, he said “HB 7 would create a mandatory minimum fine of \$300 for marijuana possession under 3 ounces. In addition to strong testimony in favor of the bill, many committee members voiced strong commitment in keeping Idaho safe from the nonsense experienced elsewhere because of foolish laws and policies. The debate included powerful arguments against the legalization of drugs as well as the need to send a strong message of deterrence to users as well as those who sell marijuana. Ironically, much of the testimony against the bill was based upon the "extreme financial hardship" of paying a \$300 fine, especially by those considered indigent. This was largely blown out of the water by Representatives Hill, Hawkins and others who pointed out the average cost of a single ounce of pot was \$240!!! Boo hoo.” Also, I forgot to mention the Elks trailer took a trophy in the parade this year. <b>(Kendall)</b> If law enforcement continued to write citations and prosecutors prosecuted maybe this discussion wouldn’t even be happening. I have not seen any other drug legislation that has been introduced thus far. <a href="#">Find your legislator here</a> and let them know how you feel about this policy.</p>
<p><b>4:55</b></p>	<p><b>Open Discussion:</b> community partner and legislative updates, etc.</p>	<p>Family Advocates Warm Hearts PJ Party 1/25, Connection is the Cure Event, <a href="#">Keynote Speaker Elizabeth Smart</a></p>
<p><b>5:00pm</b> Adjourn Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Next MADC Meetings February 20, 2025   Executive Committee Meeting at 3PM &amp; General Meeting at 4PM</b></p>		