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# **Bremerton Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition**

## Thursday, April 10, 2025

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

JOIN the Meeting virtually or in-person (address below) Meeting ID: 699 110 4058 Call in: 1-253-215-8782

## AGENDA

- Welcome and Land Acknowledgment o Ice Breaker and Introductions
  - Youth Voice Opportunity
- Coalition and Community updates
  O Mark your Calendars

## Prevention Education

- Spotlight:
  - Social Development Learning

### **Prevention Efforts**

- Workgroups
  - Updates and progress
  - Call for champions new workgroups volunteers
  - Events and Activities
    - Volunteer participation

#### New Business

- Action Items
  - Reminders

## **Community Comments**

Please limit individual comments to 2 minutes. Written comments may also be submitted to the advisory board if this timeframe is insufficient.

Next Meeting Dates: 5/8/25, 6/12/25 and 7/10/25. We welcome you to join face to face at 419 Park Ave. Bremerton (G2G2) or virtually at the link found above. Hope you can join us.

https://www.kitsapgov.com/hs/Pages/PREVENTION-Landing.aspx

Our Mission: to provide opportunities for youth to be in a safe and substance free environment while they move from surviving to thriving, coordinate and generate resources for youth, families, and the Bremerton community, develop a unified message to end substance abuse and communicate common values of respect and empower today's youth to be Bremerton's better



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#### tomorrow!



# Bremerton Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition Thursday, March 13, 2025

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The event "Building a Healed Community" had to be rescheduled due to widespread power outages in Kitsap. The workgroup has reformed and are currently working on rescheduling.
- Socktober planning is underway. Distribution ideas are needed. Coffee Oasis recommended handing out the Quick Start Cards with the socks.

### PARTNER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Olympic Educational Service District reported that the Bremerton HS SAP has resigned. They are currently looking for a replacement.
- Kitsap Black Student Union is working on annual youth focused "block party".
- Kitsap County Commission on Children & Youth announced an upcoming RFP. It's a small fund match grant for resiliency programs within the community. Will be announced around March 14, closes April 17.
- Kitsap County Prevention/Youth Services is partnering with the OESD 114 to offer Hidden in Plain Sight presentations in 3 of our 5 School Districts, with the other 2 Districts at a later date. Flyers will be provided. Need agency reps to host a table at these events.
- Kitsap County Prevention/Youth Services reported that they have partnered with Peninsula Community Health Service for secure medicine take back activities. They will put prevention materials in prescription bags provided to customers. The group discussed reaching out to other/all Kitsap County pharmacies to see about other partnerships.
- Kitsap County Prevention/Youth Services reported that Guiding Good Choices is going very well. Positive Action is going well in NK and that it is shifting in the Bremerton area. CMCA is well underway. Friends for Life campaign partnership with KPHD & OESD underway.

## **MOVING FORWARD – NEXT STEPS:**

- Workgroups needing partner involvement include Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, Developing Leadership, Socktober, Brochure/Rebranding.
- Attendance requests for community events have been coming in, members will be notified of these for volunteer opportunities.
- There is opportunity for Parent Night Presentations at the Boys & Girls Club.

- Opportunity to partner with Kitsap Regional Library's to distribute prevention bookmarks through the summer reading program.
- Consider "back to school" opportunities coming up.
- Prevention voices needed in Health Equity Collaboration "Mental Health" and "Housing Services" meetings.
- Group discussed Coalition involvement from the following agencies: Department of Children, Youth & Families, Nar-anon. Discussed wanting a "deeper reach into communities".

## EVENTS:

- Building a Healed Community: A Connections & Resource Event TBD
- Multi-Cultural Fair TBD
- Fetal Alcohol Awareness event September 9
- KPHD Overdose Awareness Day Event September 5
- Salish Recovery 5k September 6
- Socktober October (TBD)
- Kitsap Youth Rally March 25
- Olympic Prevention Partnership Meeting March 11