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**Missoula County DUI Task Force Meeting
Thursday, September 5, 2019
12pm-1:30pm**

Members Present:

1. Sgt. Greg Amundsen – Missoula Police Department
2. Kathy Andress – Missoula Emergency Services
3. Lisa Beczkiewicz – MCCHD Health Promotion
4. Levi Bessette – Community Activist
5. Justine Morris – N2 Publishing
6. Dede Ferguson – Community Medical Center
7. Landee Holloway – MC Justice Court – Dept. II
8. Samantha Arcand - MC Justice Court – Dept. II
9. Sean Finley – Montana Highway Patrol
10. Dodd McDermott – Missoula Rural Fire Department
11. Allison Onstad – St. Patrick Hospital
12. Charmell Owens – City of Missoula
13. Jenny Ross – Community Medical Center
14. Steve Schmidt – MCCHD – Health Promotion
15. Shannan Sproull – Western Montana Mental Health Center

Guests:

1. John Donald – Road Court – Treatment Provider
2. Caitlin Williams – Road Court – Missoula County Attorney's Office
3. Abby Rogers – Road Court – Rodgers law
4. Melissa Thompson – Road Court – Misd. Probation
5. Luke Bouchard – Think Twice

Welcome, Introductions, Call to Order

Steve Schmidt, DUI Task Force Coordinator, called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

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Steve provided instructions on how to “Check-In” on Facebook. (Paper Instructions on Tables)

We, here at this meeting, know about this stuff and we often get stuck preaching to the choir. Checking in and sharing on Facebook helps us share our mission.

How many of your Facebook friends even know there is a DUI Task Force here in Missoula?
How many of your Facebook friends know you attend this meeting and who else attends with you?

By checking in we are letting others know that we stand against DUIs and stand for helping others make smart choices. Choices like getting a designated driver, arranging for an Uber, or pausing to Think Twice about that third drink. This will help others see that driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, and technology should not be culturally normal and that we, as a coalition, are working to prevent DUIs and to save lives.

Members and guests introduced themselves.

Funding Update

- MDT License Reinstatement – 4th Quarter 2019 = \$15,600

Quarters	SFY	SFY	SFY	SFY	SFY	SFY
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
1	19750	18850	15850	14200	11700	13000
2	19700	17200	12950	14900	12300	10700
3	23750	19400	15850	14000	17500	14300
4	20650	19350	13475	17700	17000	15600
Totals	\$83,850	\$74,800	\$58,125	\$60,800	\$58,500	\$53,600

Percent +/- From Previous Year

-10.79% -22.29% 4.60% -3.78% -8.38%

Percent +/- Since 2014

-10.79% -30.68% -27.49% -30.23% -36.08%

Think Twice Update

- Currently in 6 locations in Missoula
 - Iron Horse
 - The Rhino
 - Reds Bar
 - Press Box
 - Stockman’s
 - Montgomery Distillery
- Luke from Think Twice provided a brief discussion related to Think Twice event on the U of M Oval on September 19th and at the Griz Game on September 21st.
- \$500 of DUI Task Force money was used to pay for Think Twice to be at the Griz Game.

Action Item: Vote on \$1000 Funding Request – UNANOMIOUSLY APPROVED

A vote to use \$1000 of DUI Task Force Funds to cover the cost of up to 23 Think Twice Media Kits for Missoula County bars and establishments. These kits consist of one poster in a frame, one incident logbook, and 100 bar coasters. Establishments will still be required to purchase two boxes of breathalyzers for \$120 (60 total breathalyzers) which they sell to patrons for \$2.00 each allowing to recover their \$120 investment. The free media kits, sponsored by the DUI Task Force, will be utilized as an extra incentive to establishments who maybe “On the fence” about having “Think Twice” in their establishment.

Visit: www.dui-prevention.org for more information about Think Twice or contact:

- **Forrest McKai, VP & Co-Founder** Work: 866-657-5658 Cell: 541-729-7822
forrest@DUIprevention.org
- **Luke Bouchard, Regional Account Manager** 406-570-3246 luke@DUIprevention.org

Arrive Alive Tour – Distracted Driver Simulator

Jenny Ross provided an update related to the Arrive Alive Missoula County Tour.

The Arrive Alive Tour group is a self-sustained operation and extra volunteers should not be needed for the tour; however, all DUI Taskforce members are highly encouraged to visit at least one of the tour events to try out the simulator. Feel free to bring young drivers or soon to be young drivers, family members, and others who may benefit from the experience.

ARRIVE ALIVE TOUR DATES

- **September 18th** – Seeley Lake. Seeley Lake Community Foundation. 2 pm - 7 pm.
- **September 20th** – Frenchtown High School. 2 pm – 8 pm. Students will be pulled starting at 2 pm and will continue the event through JV game and Varsity game. Stevensville is playing against Frenchtown, so we hope to capture some families from the Bitterroot. Ravalli County DUI Task Force is on board and is promoting the Tour.
- **September 21st** – Missoula. UM Football game from 9 am – 3 pm
- **September 22nd** – Missoula. Kids Safe Fair at the Community Medical Center campus. 12 pm - 6 pm (continues after the fair). This being a Sunday would hopefully be a wonderful time for students from all around Missoula to show up and experience the simulator. This is also the event where we already have law enforcement, judges, and insurance agents signed up to participate.
- **Annual Safe Kids Fair – Sunday, September 22, noon – 3 pm, on Community Medical Center Campus.** The Respect the Cage Display, MIDAC Display and the Distracted Driving Simulator will be set up near each other. Stations will be set up next to the Distracted Driving Simulator for law enforcement, judges, and State Farm insurance agents. Simulator participants will visit each of the stations and will learn how a Distracted Driving Citation can impact their risk of being in a traffic crash, their wallet (fine, increased auto insurance premium), etc.
- Reminder of individuals who have signed up to help.
 - Dede Ferguson
 - Charmell Owens
 - Landee Holloway
 - Shaen McElravy
 - Alex Beal
 - Jenny Ross
 - Kathy Andress
 - Shannan Sproull
 - Allison Onstad
 - Heidi Starrett
 - Jim Kitchin (MIDAC Display)

Missoula R.O.A.D. Court Presentation

Presenters

Justice of the Peace, Landee Holloway

Samantha “The Glue” Arcand – R.O.A.D. Court Coordinator

John Donald – Treatment Provider

Caitlin Williams – Prosecutor - Missoula County Attorney

Abby Rogers – Defense Counsel – Abigail Rogers Law, PLLC

Melissa Thompson – Chief Misdemeanor Supervision Officer – Missoula Correctional Services

Sean Finley – Sergeant – Montana Highway Patrol

Lead by Judge Landee Holloway, the Missoula R.O.A.D. Court team, provided an overview of the Missoula County Justice Court R.O.A.D. (Responsibility, Opportunities, and Accountability for Drivers) treatment court.

The R.O.A.D. court is intended to save lives and make roads safer by reducing recidivism events of alcohol and drug-related traffic offenses. The court holds participants accountable for their actions while addressing root problems, treating chemical dependency and co-occurring issues.

The R.O.A.D. court is a comprehensive treatment program for adults who have been charged with a DUI 2nd or 3rd, aggravated DUI 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, and traffic offenses that involve substance use on a case by case basis. The program is a voluntary program that includes regular court appearances and working with the entire R.O.A.D court team on issues related to transportation, treatment, alcohol & drug testing, community service and accountability & sanctions.

The team presented the Guiding Principles of the court:

1. Determine the Population
2. Perform a Clinical Assessment
3. Develop the Treatment Plan
4. Supervise the Offender
5. Forge Agency, Organization and Community Partnerships
6. Take a Judicial leadership Role
7. Develop Case management Strategies
8. Address Transportation Issues
9. Evaluate the program
10. Ensure a Sustainable Program

The team also talked about how a participant moves through the different phases and what is required of them within each phase leading toward graduation.

Judge Holloway announced the R.O.A.D. court has received their funding for this next year which will allow the court to increase the number of participants in the program.

The court is accepting referrals to the court.

Please visit: <https://www.missoulacounty.us/government/civil-criminal-justice/r-o-a-d-court> for additional information.

Members of the DUI Task Force are invited to attend a R.O.A.D. Court staff meeting a court session. Please reach out to Samantha Arcand at 406-258-3470 or via email sarcand@missoulacounty.us

Time was allowed for Questions and Answers following the presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm

Next meeting will be Thursday, October 3rd, Noon – 1:30 pm, at Missoula Emergency Services Training Center, 1220 Burlington.