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2017 HCC Meetings

Our meetings have changed! We will now host **quarterly** HCC meetings at a new time!

New Time: 10:30 AM

New Location: NAMI Hernando

10554 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill, FL 34608

January 4, 2017

April 5, 2017

August 2, 2017

December 6, 2017

2017 Legislative Committee Meetings

Time: 330pm

Location: Westbridge Treatment Center
7300 Grove Road, Brooksville, Florida 34613

February 1st

March 1st

May 3rd

July 5th

September 6th

Nov 1st

2017 Tobacco Free Partnership Meetings

Time: 4:45 pm

Location: 7551 Forest Oaks Blvd,
Spring Hill, FL 34606

February 15th

May 17th

August 16th

November 15th



2017 Mental Health First

Aid Trainings

Available for FREE in Hernando County

MHFA is an 8 hour public education course that introduces participants to the risk factors and warning signs of mental illnesses; including anxiety, depression, substance use, bipolar disorder, eating disorders, and schizophrenia, builds understanding of their impact, and provides an overview of common supports. Participants who have attended and received their certifications as "Mental Health First Aiders" have stated to have learned new techniques to stay calm in offering aid to someone who is living with a mental health disorder, to not have judgment, the link between tobacco use and mental health illness.

To attend a FREE training , call 352-596-8000 for more information.

January 19, 2017- BayCare Behavioral Health

February 18, 2017- NAMI Hernando

March 16, 2017- BayCare Behavioral Health

April 21, 2017- NAMI Hernando

May 18, 2017- BayCare Behavioral Health

June 16, 2017- NAMI Hernando

August 17, 2017- BayCare Behavioral Health

September 15, 2017- NAMI Hernando

October 19, 2017- BayCare Behavioral Health

November 18, 2017- NAMI Hernando

December 14, 2017- BayCare Behavioral Health



AlcoholEDU

Starting this school year, the HCC is partnering with Hernando High School and Springstead high school to provide AlcoholEDU. The HCC received a 4-year STOP Act grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and is excited to offer to this course to our high school-aged youth.

Alcohol misuse doesn't just put students at risk; it threatens the ability of schools to achieve their educational objectives. AlcoholEdu® for High School takes a public health approach to preventing alcohol abuse, incorporating evidence-based prevention methods to create a highly engaging user experience.

AlcoholEdu is proven to reduce negative consequences associated with underage drinking. Through this scalable on-line program, high schools can reach all students with a consistent message and empower them to make safer and healthier decisions about alcohol.

AlcoholEdu® for High School Course Flow



Take the pledge! No alcohol for teens at your house!

No One's House is a safe place for teen drinking.

[Pledge Here!](#)





December 15, 2016

Time: 3:00 PM

Location: Brooksville Police Department

87 Veterans Boulevard

Brooksville, Florida, 34606

You will learn:

- The Importance of responsible alcohol and tobacco sales and service;
- The laws that control the sale and service of alcohol and tobacco;
- How to check ID's;
- How to refuse service to underage or intoxicated persons; and
- How to prevent alcohol and tobacco sales to underage persons.

Call 352-596-8000 to sign up for this free course!

Thank You Vendors!

Throughout the year, the Hernando County Sheriff's Office and the Brooksville Police Department conduct compliance checks in Hernando County, operations where underage youth attempt to purchase alcohol from vendors. We would like to thank vendors who did the right thing and did not sell alcohol to youth in our county over the past 3 operations!

- Citgo: 7387 Shoal Line Blvd
- Shell: 2109 Commercial Way
- Mobil: 1394 Commercial Way
- Circle K: 6227 Deltona Blvd
- Winn Dixie: 6270 Commercial Way
- Race Trac: 9410 Cortez Blvd
- A&J Discount Beverages: 5574 Commercial Way
- Shell: 3275 Broad St
- C- Store: 478 Broad St
- Speedway: 75 Broad St
- Publix Liquors: 13455 County Line Rd
- Deep Blue Liquors: 11133 County Line
- Publix Liquors: 160 Mariner Blvd
- Speedway: 100 Mariner Blvd
- Super Star Discount Store: 10243 County Line Rd

Deterra Bags



The HCC is providing FREE Deterra Drug Deactivation Systems for Hernando residents. This is a simple and painless means for those in the community are willing to do their part to reduce prescription drug abuse and the availability of prescription drugs in medicine cabinets to children, teens, and others visiting in your home, as well as better the environment.

Call the office 352-596-8000 to make arrangements to get your free Deterra drug kit and to insure the office is open.

2017 Friday Night Done Right Events

It could be dodgeball, kickball, flag football or a glow-in-the-dark sports night, but whatever the first Friday of the month is, it's Friday Night Done Right including prizes, giveaways and snacks. Since most Hernando County teens — 74 percent — don't drink alcohol when hanging out with friends, you can be sure this will be a safe environment to hang out and have fun! Come join us for **teens in grades 6-12!**

**All events are from 7-9 p.m at the
Hernando County YMCA**

2017 Events:

JAN. 6: Kickball tournament

FEB. 3: Dodgeball tournament

MARCH 3: Glow-in-the-Dark Sports

APRIL 7: Swim Night

MAY 5: Tye Dye Event

JUNE 2: Badminton tournament

SEPT. 1: Flag football

OCT. 6: Wiffleball

NOV. 3: Sand Volleyball



Location: 1300 Mariner Blvd., Spring Hill
ymcasuncoast.org/hernando 352 688 9622



SWAT Member Represents Hernando County on State's Youth Advocacy Board

Students Working Against Tobacco's Explorer's school club member, Emma Buscemi, a 7th grader, submitted an application to represent Tobacco Free Hernando's SWAT Chapter as a Youth Advocacy Board member (YAB). The state's Youth Advocacy Board (YAB) consists of 12 members representing youth from the four regions of Florida. Youth selected serves as a youth advocate and liaison within their region, the state, and between their local SWAT Chapter and the Bureau of Tobacco Free Florida. The application process involves a SWAT member to answer questions on their involvement with their SWAT Chapter, their leadership service within the community, what YAB means to them, tobacco observances important to them, and accomplishments.

Hernando County falls in Region # 3 among neighboring counties including Pasco, Hillsborough, Citrus, and Pinellas to name a few. Emma Buscemi attended and won a spot on the YAB at the recent SWAT Regional Training that took place in October. Windeler attended the training.

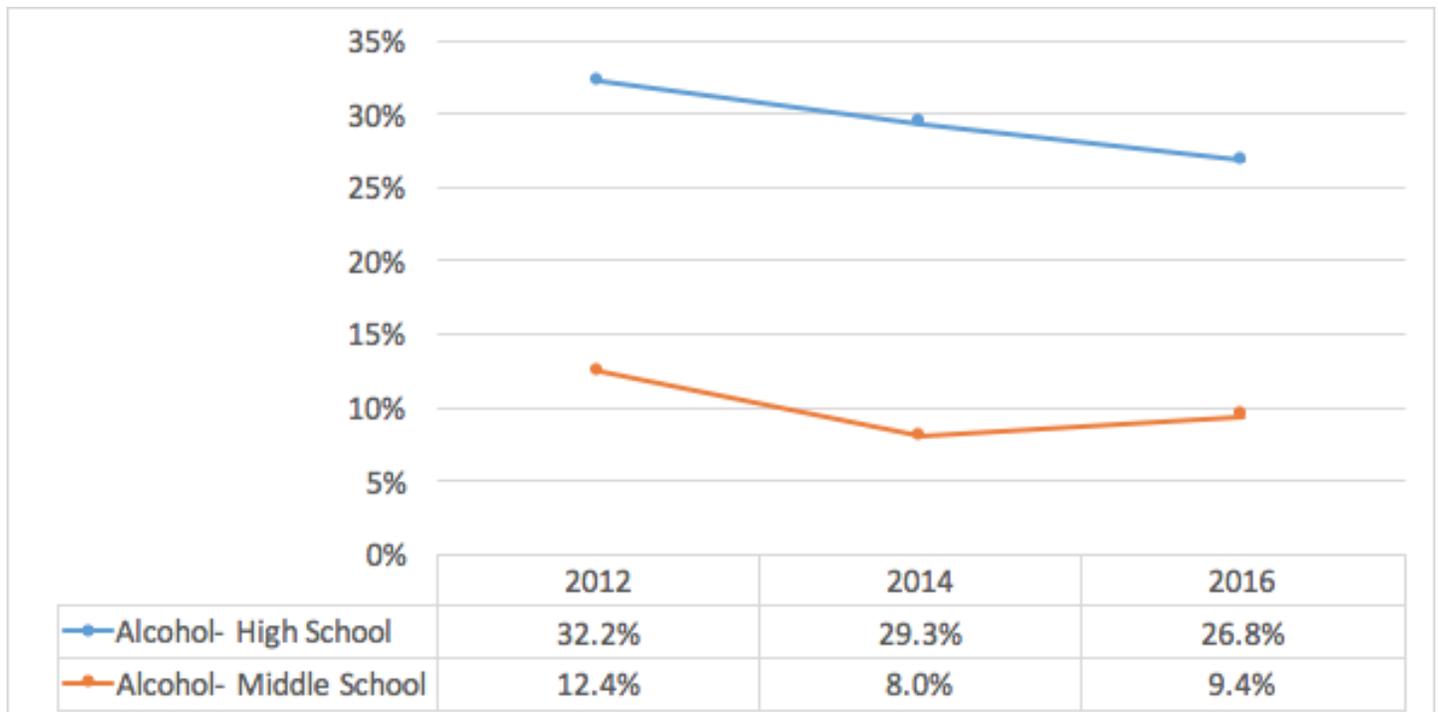
Two other youth from Challenger school SWAT club; Gabriel and Jason Marrero, SWAT Coordinator, Jennifer Bliska, and HCCADC Youth Coordinator, Ashley Emma will not only represent Hernando County; but, the entire region 3 as well. Emma has been involved in the Hernando County Explorer SWAT club for the past two years and has been highly active within the community promoting the SWAT mission as a key leader among her other fellow SWAT members. She also has earned the President's Gold Award for her volunteer hours, nominated for the Prudential Spirit Award, and won the St. Joseph's Hospital Hero Award. Besides SWAT, Emma has also been to every Friday Night Done Right, an HCCADC campaign encouraging youth to make positive choices that has taken place the first Friday of every month at the YMCA with variety of activities for the county's youth. Emma's favorite tobacco observance is "World No Tobacco Day" that occurs every May 31st, all over the world. She stated that the reason why this was her favorite was because "it's a great way to spread the message about the effects of smoking to not only a small group of people; but, to people all over the world." With that, Emma's goal is to not only continue spreading the SWAT mission and the importance of living a tobacco free life in Hernando County; but, to all within the state of Florida while also representing the Tobacco Free Hernando SWAT Chapter as a YAB leader!



2016 Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey Data

The Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey (FYSAS) is a statewide survey implemented at the county-level every other year to track risk and protective factors among students. It provides with the opportunity to gauge how many students are using alcohol and other drugs.

Past 30-Day Alcohol Use Among Hernando County Students



Past 30-Day Marijuana Use Among Hernando County Students

