

KITSAP COUNTY

2005 - 2006

Community Mobilization Contact

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Overview

Kitsap County Prevention Services works with community members and groups to implement community action aimed at the effective prevention of substance abuse and violence. The four prevention goals for 2005-2006, based on the results of the 2005-2007 collaborative needs assessment are: reduce family conflict; improve academic performance; reduce the availability of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs; and reduce alienation/rebelliousness.

Community Partners/Service Providers

- Bainbridge Youth Services
- Dispute Resolution Center of Kitsap County
- Kitsap Community Foundation
- Kitsap Community Resources
- Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force
- Kitsap Recovery Center
- Kitsap County Health District
- Kitsap County Juvenile Services
- Kitsap Family YMCA
- Kitsap Mall
- Olympic Educational Service District 114
- YWCA of Kitsap County

Program Outcomes

- ♦ **Strengthening Families Training (Ages 10-14):** All 19 members of the eight families participating in this evidence-based curriculum reported that the training was helpful in learning new ways to communicate more positively with other family members.



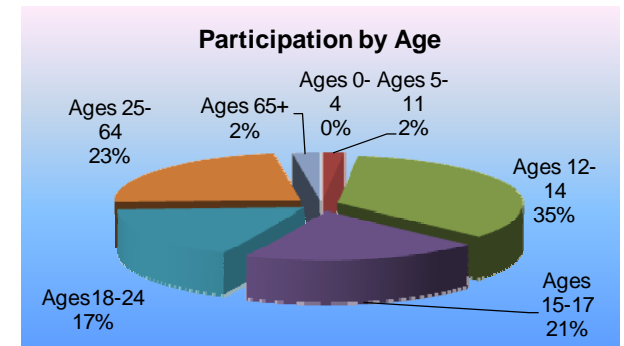
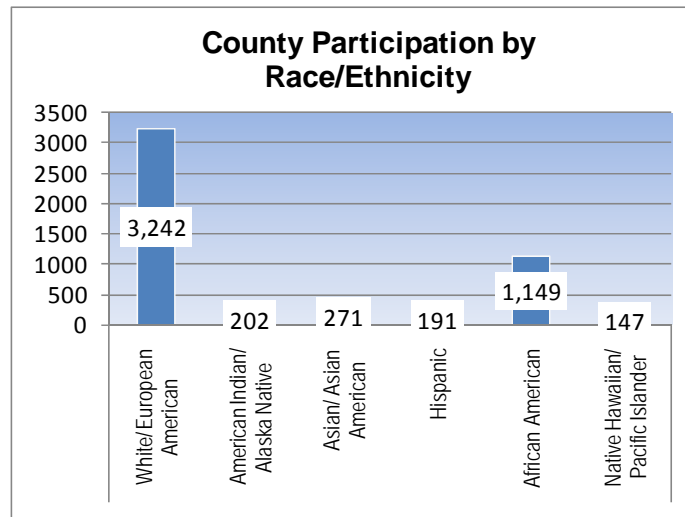
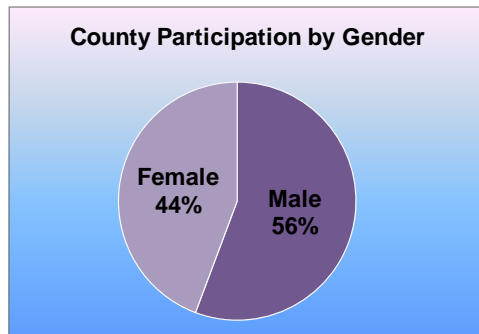
Program Highlights

- ♦ **Kitsap Youth Mentoring Consortium** is devoted to increasing the number of quality mentoring relationships available to Kitsap-area youth. The number of mentoring programs participating in the consortium from 2003 to 2006 increased from four to 11.
- ♦ **Family Night Initiative:** Over 570 Central Kitsap-area residents attended a first annual family event featuring youth performers, family bingo, and community resources. The event was organized by a coalition composed of representatives from community agencies and groups, schools, and businesses.
- ♦ **Annual Kitsap County Domestic Violence Summit:** Over 250 people attended the 2005 Domestic Violence Summit titled *Elder and Vulnerable Adult Abuse*.

Number of People Served

• Prevention Programs	5,011
• Large Community Events	2,129
Prevention Program Sessions	506
Hours Spent in Community Organizing	718
Direct Service Hours	1,792
Leveraging	
• In-Kind Support (value)	\$29,337
• Volunteer Hours	1,467

Participant Demographics



Program Information

Program Name

- 🏠 Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force
- 🏠 Kitsap Youth Mentoring Consortium
- 👨‍👩‍👧‍👦 Strengthening Families 10-14
- 🏠 Family Night Initiative

Risk/Protective Factors

- Lack of Community Organization
- Alienation and Rebelliousness
- Family Conflict
- Lack of Community Organization

Meth Action Team

The Meth Action Team, dedicated to the reduction and eradication of methamphetamine production and use in Kitsap County, continued to broadcast public service announcements focused on the effectiveness of Drug Court. Three public service announcements featured these facts: that Drug Court saves lives, saves money, and makes the community safer by addressing the impacts of meth. These announcements reached approximately 75,000 viewers. The Meth Action Team also established a *Moms Off Meth* support group for women in recovery from meth addiction. Within six months, the support group grew from four to eight women who met regularly to discuss an array of topics such as relationships, housing, and employment.