

YOUTH INVOLVEMENT (NEEDS A NEW NAME!!)

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FROM 2004 AOC STRATEGIC PLAN SEPTEMBER, 2005

AOC Mission Statement: AOC actively promotes the healthy development of Sitka's youth by coordinating and integrating services and by helping implement multi-system prevention and intervention strategies.

GOAL 1: PROMOTE THE POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT OF SITKA'S YOUTH

Expected Outcomes:

- ❑ Youth are respected for their values, accomplishments, and diversity.
- ❑ Youth have a positive self-image and make healthy choices.
- ❑ Ninety-five percent of all students graduate from high school, including high-risk youth.

STRATEGIES TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL:

- ❑ Increase respect for diversity among and for youth
- ❑ Help youth build internal positive self-image
- ❑ Help increase academic successes of high-risk youth

OBJECTIVES TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL:

- Objective 1.1** Identify and help support the implementation and continuation of programs that address diversity issues among youth by **March 2005**.
- ***Objective 1.2** Help develop and support efforts to improve communication between the schools and diverse groups of students by **August 2004**.
- ***Objective 1.3** Actively seek input from high-risk youth, parents, and others about ways to help increase the positive self-image of youth by **(date)**.
- ***Objective 1.4** Collaborate with agencies to support and enhance existing programs that successfully promote a positive self-image in youth by **(date)**.
- Objective 1.5** Help develop and support implementation of new programs/activities that promote a positive self-image in youth by **(date)**.
- Objective 1.6** Collaborate with community agencies, high-risk youth, and other stakeholders to develop activities that will increase graduation rates and test scores by **(date)**.

GOAL 2: REDUCE ALCOHOL AND/OR OTHER DRUG USE BY SITKA'S YOUTH

Expected Outcomes:

- ❑ The percentage of youth using alcohol and/or other drugs significantly decreases.
- ❑ Youth choose healthy alternatives instead of alcohol and/or other drugs.
- ❑ The community norms of Sitka do not condone the use of alcohol and/or other drugs.

STRATEGIES TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL:

- ❑ Support multiple after-school programs/activities that attract high-risk and other youth
- ❑ Support educational prevention and intervention programs/activities
- ❑ Promote change in social norms so that alcohol and drug use are not condoned

OBJECTIVES TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL:

- ***Objective 2.1** On annual basis, beginning **(date)**, actively seek input from youth to identify after-school activities and programs in which high-risk and other youth would participate.
- Objective 2.7** Develop a strategy for helping change social norms that condone alcohol and/or other drug use by youth by **June 2006**.