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## Welcome to KPFP.ORG's Newsletter, Issue #6

## Thank You

Kings Partnership for Prevention is transforming. We have just received notice from the State that they recognize us as a non-profit! We are still awaiting the Federal response, but have no doubt it will mirror the State's decision. Although the Coalition has been active for about 6 years now, it will continue to mature and develop and, there will be the growing pains of a new 501c3. I want to thank everyone for their input during this process. The ultimate result will be that of a Coalition that truly represents its members.



At the April annual meeting, the Coalition voted to reduce the Coalition committees to just two; Governance and Program. The first Program committee meeting in May, quickly proved this was not an effective model for KPFP as we couldn't make it through all the varied topics in 90 minutes. So the committee decided to propose three committees, **Education and Community Outreach, Policy and Law Enforcement, and the Social Marketing Committee. These committees are the current, operating committees listed in the by-laws.**



Or visit [KingsView.org](http://KingsView.org)

Each member of the coalition is asked to pick a committee they are most interested in and join. The Program committee will be dissolved in about a month, once we have chair people for these three committees. Are you interested in stepping up? Let Karen or myself know.

## Kings County Help



Moving on to the Governance Committee, it has served its purpose well. The individuals who have taken the time to attend have spent hours pouring over the by-laws, researching non-profits and designing what they think will keep the Coalition running smoothly while allowing the voice of the Coalition members to be heard and count. It is the goal of our Coalition officers that the board represents the active coalition members and that we do not get bogged down on isolated interests or agendas.



We have been talking since December about the "12 Community Sectors" we need represented on our coalition in order to be eligible to apply for the 2010 SAMHSA grant. Representatives from these sectors have been contacted and recruited. I have asked repeatedly at Coalition Meetings for recommendations for these positions. We want individuals who are active in the coalition and know what we are about. These individuals are committed to serve, and will be appointed at the next general meeting.

## At a Glance Calendar

Having said all this, remember; by-laws are dynamic documents. Things can change, By-laws are not set in stone. If something isn't working, a recommendation for a by-law revision can be made.

**LIFT**  
Hannah's House  
August 24  
6:00 pm

If you have any questions about all of these changes, the Coalition in general, or want more information about any of the committees, do not hesitate to contact me.

**Achieving Wellness and Recovery** Oak Wellness Center  
Friday, August 28, 2009  
1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

Meeting dates have been difficult to post in advance, as structure changes have affected meeting times and locations. Here is the plan, as much as is developed for the remainder of the year. We will fill in the blanks as they develop.

August 27th – Program Committee Meeting 3:15 PM, Ag Extension Conference Room.  
(This will be the final Program Committee Meeting as we break into 3 special interest committees.)

**KPFP Board of Directors Meeting** Corcoran FRC  
Thursday, September 3  
2:00 PM

September 3, Thursday – Governance Committee Meeting - 2:00 PM Corcoran FRC

### 2nd Quarter

October 1, Thursday - General Meeting - 5:30 PM – Kings County YMCA, Hanford  
December 3, Thursday - Governance Committee Meeting - 2:00 Corcoran FRC

### 3rd Quarter

**SOBERFEST 2009**  
Hanford Civic Auditorium Lawn  
Saturday, September 5

January 15, Friday - General Meeting - 10:00 AM – Hannah’s House  
March 4, Thursday - Governance Committee Meeting – 2:00 PM, Corcoran FRC

**4th Quarter**

April 1, Thursday - General Meeting - 5:30 PM – Kings County YMCA, Hanford  
June 3, Thursday - Governance Committee Meeting- 2:00 PM

We are aligning our Coalition to make a difference during challenging times. Thank you for your participation and support of Kings Partnership For Prevention.

[Nell Lobdell](#)  
Coordinator

Karen Gomez-Barrera  
Chairperson

**August Events**

**Leadership Inspired Family Talk (LIFT)**

Be involved in discussions about good communication, discipline, child development, parental roles, and your hopes and dreams for your children. Effective strategies for helping children achieve their independence and self respect. Share methods for successfully managing every day stresses of parenting.

- Give and receive support with other families
- Talk and problem-solve with other families about issues and challenges
- Expand your network of support to help reduce stress and isolation
- Learn about community resources and how to connect to them



**Hannah’s House**  
222 Keith St. / Hanford  
~~July 27th @ 6:00 pm~~  
August 24th @ 6:00 pm

**FREE to ALL!** Refreshments and child care available on site.

**A Free Educational Event: Achieving Wellness and Recovery**

Join Herbert Cruz, MD with an informative and interactive discussion. Topics include management of schizophrenia, its treatment and the ongoing personal process of working to achieve realistic treatment goals.

**When:** Friday, August 28, 2009  
**Time:** 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM  
(Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM)

**Speaker:** Herbert Cruz, MD  
U.C.S.F. - Fresno  
Fresno, CA

**Where:**  
Oak Wellness Center  
1393 Bailey Drive  
Hanford, CA 93230

For free registration, call Oak Wellness Center at (559) 582-4481.  
Sponsored by Oak Wellness Center

10am to 4pm

**Southwest Regional Integrated Behavioral Health Conference**  
September 16th & 17th, 2009  
San Diego, CA

**Corcoran District Hospital Health Fair at the Annual Cotton Festival**  
Saturday, September 26, 2009  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
1310 Hanna, Corcoran

**KFPF General Meeting**  
Kings County YMCA  
Thursday, October 1 at 5:30 PM

**CHARACTER COUNTS! Week**  
October 18-24, 2009

**Project Homeless Connect**  
November 5

**KFPF General Meeting**  
Hannah’s House  
Friday, January 15, 2010  
10:00 AM

**KFPF General Meeting**  
Kings County YMCA  
Thursday, April 1, 2009  
5:30 PM

**Governance Committee**

- Nell Lobdell**  
Coordinator
- Karen Gomez Barrera**  
Chairperson
- Kathy Cruz**  
Vice Chairperson
- Peggy Gregory**  
Treasurer
- Danette Welch-Hughes**  
Secretary
- Oralia Vallejo**  
Governance Committee Chair

## September Events

### Soberfest 2009: Celebrate National Recovery Month at SOBERFEST 2009 in Kings County!



Open Invitation to our Community Partners:

The Kings County Community Treatment Providers and Partners, under the sponsorship of Kings County Behavioral Health Administration, invite you and your staff to celebrate with us at our 6th Annual Recovery Month Celebration!

Join the fun at SOBERFEST on Saturday, September 5th, 10am to 4pm, at the Hanford Civic Auditorium Lawn for:

- \*Chili & Salsa Cook-Off
- \*Volley Ball Tournament
- \*Kid Games & Rides
  
- \*Prizes & Raffle Gifts
- \*Food & Craft Booths
- \*Live Music & Entertainment
- \*Car/Truck & M/C Show
- \*Inspirational Speakers
- \*Teen Karaoke

All events are open to the public. Organizations, Agencies, Businesses and Governmental Departments are encouraged to compete in the Chili & Salsa Cook-Off and Volleyball Tournament. (The first 6 teams to register for the volleyball tournament will receive a complimentary volleyball)

Also, you are invited to set up an information booth. Whatever your interest may be, just fill out the registration and return via fax 583-9307 or email [jangle@championsrecovery.org](mailto:jangle@championsrecovery.org). For more information, call (559) 583-9300.

### Downloads:

- [SoberFest 2009 Flyer](#)
- [Handwritten Registration Form](#)
- [E-File Registration Form](#)

### Corcoran District Hospital Health Fair at the Annual Cotton Festival

Join the Corcoran District Hospital as well as other organizations to provide health-related information to the community of Corcoran at the annual Cotton Festival.

This event is designed to bring health care information and available resources to the community. This is also a time to provide the community with informational pamphlets to the community that represents services your company can provide.

**Date:** September 26, 2009

**Time:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Set-up time: 9:30a.m.)

**Place:** 1310 Hanna (Right in Front of the Hospital)

If you are interested in participating, please complete the [enrollment form](#) and fax it as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about the health fair, you may contact Bob'e Bravo at (559)992-5051, extension 328 or by e-mail at [bbravo@corcorandistricthospital.com](mailto:bbravo@corcorandistricthospital.com).



## October Events

### CHARACTER COUNTS! Week October 18-24, 2009

CHARACTER COUNTS! improves the lives of the adults who teach it — and the communities that embrace it. CHARACTER COUNTS! gives kids a framework for ethical living. Simply put, we help kids make better choices to make everyone's life better.

CHARACTER COUNTS! is two things: an educational framework for teaching universal values and a national coalition of organizations that support each other. The result is a culture change in your school or youth-service program.

CHARACTER COUNTS! is nonprofit, nonpartisan, and nonsectarian. It transcends cultural differences. It isn't a curriculum, an add-on, an out of-the-box program, or a quick-fix fad. It's character education that works with your needs and preexisting programs. Just have a look inside and see how easy it is to understand — and begin.

For more information please [click here](#).



### How are we doing as a Coalition?

Want to know how the Kings Partnership for Prevention is doing compared to other Prevention Coalitions across the country? Click on this link: <http://saratogapartnership.org/links/othercoalitions.html> and view numerous Prevention Coalition Websites across the USA. Some will look familiar, and some will surprise you!

Thank you to Elaine Heirigs of [Monkey Business Marketing](#) for finding this valuable link.

### Congressional Recess Guide: Opportunities to Weigh in on Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities

As you are likely aware, the full House, as well as the Senate Appropriations Committee have voted to eliminate the State Grants portion of the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities (SDFSC) program. Although Congress is currently in recess, there is still time to weigh in with the members of your congressional delegation, as most of them will be spending extended periods of time in their home state and district offices. During this time, it is critical that your members hear from you about the importance of restoring funds to this program.

To that end, CADCA has developed a recess guide, designed to help you maximize your opportunities to weigh in with your congressional delegation; either by setting up appointments to meet directly with your members of Congress, or working with your local government to introduce a resolution in support of restoring funding to the State Grants portion of the SDFSC program, and presenting it to your federal representatives.

Please click here to access the guide: [Congressional Recess Guide: Opportunities to Weigh in on Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities](#).

## On Going Announcements, Events & Resources

### Do you have a family member who suffers from a mental illness? You are not alone.



Come and join us at the Family Support Group Meeting -

NAMI

First and Third Tuesday of Every Month

Reception 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Meeting 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Kings County Behavioral Health  
450 Kings County Dr., Suite 104  
Hanford, CA

Providing support to families and others coping with mental health issues - from schizophrenia, bipolar to depression.

For more information call 559-582-3211 Ext. 2333

### Public Safety Substance Abuse Journal for Juvenile and Adult Services



This is a free substance abuse information journal meant for professionals who want to expand their knowledge about current drug abuse and evidence based treatment trends. Currently over 11,000 people subscribe to this journal. Individuals interested in Substance Abuse Prevention, Treatment, Dual Diagnosis, Probation, Rehabilitation, Protective Services and Child Welfare should subscribe.

Medtox is a full service laboratory and device manufacturer with accreditations from SAMHSA, CAP, and CLIA.

I would like to personally invite you and your associates to join and receive our free substance abuse journal if you have not already subscribed. Once you join, the last three issues will be sent automatically over a period of 3 weeks. You may unsubscribe at any time.

#### The last 5 issues of the Journal have covered:

##### June

The Truth About False Positives, and what do they really mean?

Brain Abnormalities in Chronic Meth Users

Ketamine and Pain

Butalbital

##### May

Amphetamine Testing Frequently Asked Questions

Brain Abnormalities in Chronic Methamphetamine Users

Ketamine and its use in Pain Management

A DAR Hotline Call Analysis

##### April

Yaba, the new Amphetamine Menace

Can Alcoholic Cravings be reduced with Hypertension Drugs

The Patient is high on Cafegot

Soma (Carisoprodol) Examined

##### March

The One-Pot Method of Methamphetamine

Understanding Opiate Screening

Salvia Divinorum – What is it?

THC & Testicular Cancer Link: Fact or Fiction

##### February

The Coming Ban on Propoxyphene

How to Capture GHB use

What is ETG and what is it's relevance in Alcohol/Drug Testing Protocols

Rural Communities and overuse of Vicodin and Oxycontin

To view the archives of past Journals, please [click here](#).

[Click here](#) to subscribe the Medtox Journal.

## A New Resource Shows Parents Where to Look for Drugs in Their Homes

A print version of "Danger Zones" House Tour is now available FREE of Charge, No Ordering Limits.

When parents think about keeping their teens safe from drugs, they don't usually think of drugs that could be found IN their homes. But today's teens are abusing prescription drugs more than any illicit drug except marijuana.

Teens, who often get prescription drugs from relatives or friends, overwhelmingly report that they didn't think these drugs were as dangerous as illicit drugs so they felt safe trying them. And many teens abuse over-the-counter (OTC) medications and inhalants because they are inexpensive, widely available, and legal.

Your organization can take advantage of this NEW Media Campaign resource to help educate parents about Rx drug danger zones in the home, customizing it with a simple label across the bottom.

Quantity copies are available, FREE of charge, by visiting [www.TheAntiDrug.com](http://www.TheAntiDrug.com) or by calling 1-800-788-2800 and requesting House Tour Print Insert: Where Are Drugs in Your House? [ONDCP09-FCINSERT].

**ANTI -DRUG UPDATES:** Would you like to know about other FREE materials? Would you like to get information about new data, available offerings, and grants? If your organization would like to receive Anti-Drug Update e-mail notifications from ONDCP's Media Campaign, please visit [www.TheAntiDrug.com/Resources](http://www.TheAntiDrug.com/Resources) to register!



## Movie Smoking Scorecard Campaign Launch

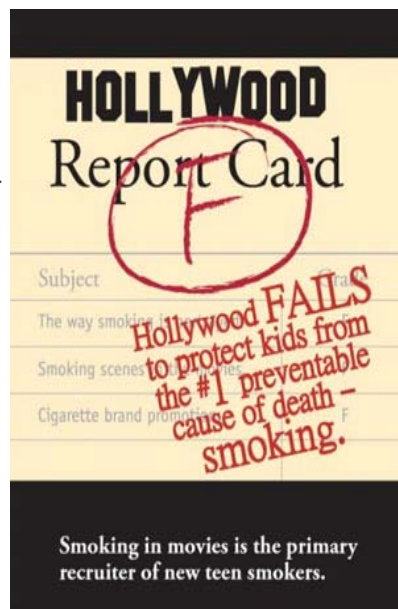
The American Medical Association Alliance, L.A. County Department of Public Health, and the California Youth Advocacy Network will be launching a summer long campaign to raise awareness about tobacco use in this summer's youth-rated films.

Join the [Movie Smoking Scorecard campaign](#) to document which studios will produce the most youth-rated films with tobacco imagery this summer. This summer's campaign will include:

- A scorecard that regularly tallies the number of tobacco impressions in this summer's youth-rated films.
- A public [Facebook page](#) that hosts the scorecard, a petition, [Twitter feed](#) and video messages from youth to the studios voicing their concern about tobacco use in youth-rated films.
- A letter-writing and petition drive.
- A strategically placed billboard located near – and naming – the studio with the worst summer record at the end of September.

Activities for California Teens:

In addition to the Movie Smoking Scorecard campaign, CYAN will be launching a youth-focused e-advocacy campaign called, Summer Movie Takeover. The purpose of this campaign is to provide a forum for teens to address the problem of tobacco use in this summer's youth-rated films. Our advocacy efforts will be based around [California's Chain Reaction facebook page](#). Check out the



page to see what you can do this summer and to see the latest videos from Youth Quest.

Together we can reduce the amount of smoking shown in youth-rated films. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Strach at (916) 339-3424 x.21 or [karen@cyanonline.org](mailto:karen@cyanonline.org).

The following links can be helpful to parents, teachers, schools, communities and youth leaders in planning their safe celebrations and campaigns.

[A Parent's Guide to the Teen Brain](#)

[Help Make Summer Safe: Don't Serve Alcohol to Teens](#)

[The Face Project](#): "Our mission to advocate for action to reduce alcohol problems so people everywhere can experience life to its full potential."

[Above the Influence](#)

[Please God, I'm Only 17 Brochure](#)

[What a Teen Should See When it Comes to Alcohol](#)



## About the New Drug Czar: Gil Kerlikowske Sworn in on May 7, 2009 as Director of National Drug Control Policy



Gil Kerlikowske, former chief of police for the Seattle Police Department brings nearly four decades of law enforcement and drug policy experience to the position.

The new Drug Czar will engage with Federal, State, and local partners to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy that reduces flow of drugs in our communities.

Director Kerlikowske's message is available [Here](#).

For additional information about the Director and his confirmation please see <http://www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov/>

## Resources: A Guide to Effective Regulation of Alcohol Advertising

The Marin Institute has released a handy guide to effective regulation of alcohol advertising.

It includes: OOH, the First Amendment, public vs. private property, checklists, examples of effective laws, and tips on tricks to watch out for.

[Click Here](#) to get your copy.

