

ATOD Prevention welcomes 2012: Culture is prevention, education is key

By Jenifer Metcalf

The Substance Abuse Prevention program has great things to offer. Find out what you can do to raise awareness and help carry a positive message in this community by addressing community norms to reduce ATOD (alcohol, tobacco and other drugs) use and abuse.

The goal of prevention is to raise awareness and delay the onset of first use.

The philosophy of the Siletz Tribal Behavioral Health Prevention Program is based on four healing principles identified by prevention partners when the first prevention plan was developed in 1999.

They are as follows:

1. Healing from problems associated with alcohol, tobacco and other drugs comes from within – ourselves, our Tribe and our community. We will find the support and resources to heal, renew and rebuild.
2. Our journey is linked to our past. It is with our cultural values and today's knowledge that we will be able to restore, mend and strengthen ourselves and future generations.
3. We will educate our children about the harmful effects of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs from the time

they are in their mother's womb until they pass from this world. The health, success and well-being of future generations depends upon the strength of our message.

4. Healing of the individual and Tribe go hand in hand. The well-being of the Tribe is inseparable from the well-being of the individual.

are 6 percent higher than the state average in their perception of harm. This means Tribal youth in the sixth grade are receiving alcohol prevention-related messages and awareness is being raised.

(Student Wellness Survey 2010)

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Salem: 503-390-9494

Portland: 503-238-1512



Narcotics Anonymous Toll-Free Help Line – 877-233-4287

For information on Alcoholics Anonymous: aa-oregon.org

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Community Efforts Demonstrating the Ability to Rebuild and Restore

Mission Statement: We will utilize resources to prevent the use of alcohol and other drugs, delinquency and violence; we will seek to reduce the barriers to treatment and support those who choose abstinence.

Jan. 4
5:30 p.m.

Siletz Public Library
255 SE Gaither, Siletz

Topic to be discussed: Community readiness survey presentation



Over a hundred years ago Black Elk had a vision of the time when Indian People would heal from the devastating effects of European migration. In his vision the Sacred Hoop which had been broken, would be mended in seven generations.

The children born into this decade will be the seventh generation.

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“When the Children Grow Old ...

We Want Them to Know We Fought for Them”

There are many ways to fight to protect our children ~ one of those ways is by being a foster parent.

The Siletz Tribal Indian Child Welfare Department is accepting and recruiting foster homes on behalf of our Tribal children.

For more information, call Christy Hurt, foster care certifier, at 800-922-1399, ext. 1338, or 541-444-8338.

Help Tribal youth by becoming a volunteer for Prevention Program

If you are interested in volunteering with the Prevention Program, here are some specific guidelines:

- Apply to be a Tribal Prevention volunteer at Human Resources. This will include agreeing to a criminal background check and a drug screen.
- Attend an orientation with Prevention staff to learn about ethics and program policies and procedures. A volunteer training program will be developed.
- For those with previous problems of alcohol/drugs, at least one year of living a clean and sober lifestyle is required.
- Participate in making a prevention video/DVD.
- All people to be filmed must sign an agreement to be filmed.
- The Tribal general manager and Tribal Council must approve of the final cut before it's released for public viewing.

Any question regarding this process, please contact Jenifer Metcalf, Prevention coordinator, at jeniferm@ctsi.nsn.us or 800-600-5599 or 541-444-9618.

General Council Meeting

Feb. 4, 2012 • 1 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center • Siletz, Oregon

Call to Order

Invocation

Flag Salute

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Programs:

Shellfish Gathering

Culture Program – Individual Grants

Tribal Members' Concerns

Chairman's Report

Announcements

4 p.m. – Adjourn