

Action Steps from Tobacco Strategic Planning Event 9.12.23

Local Condition: Youth are getting vapes from older siblings and older youth

Strategies/actions already in place:

- Legal consequences
- Age of purchase
- Information available - anti-vaping campaigns
- Social media
 - o Wellness campaigns, incentivize positive choices

Possible Strategies:

- Better ways to govern fake IDs (processes for checking IDs)
- Implementing fines and greater consequences providing to minors
- Removing tobacco from general retailers - force them to be distributed through specific shops

Data/information needed:

- Legality and consequences (fines)
- Social Media campaign - encouraging older group to set an example for younger siblings/youth

Equity considerations:

- Internet - access to information
- NES Families - multicultural, multilingual
- Require distribution of information in variety of places where stakeholders are

Local Condition: Youth are using tobacco products in public places, e.g. parks, rail trail, parking lots, beaches, McDonalds, employees during work breaks, etc.

Strategies/actions already in place:

- Signage
- Community accountability
- Monitoring - also - "small town" visibility

Possible Strategies:

- Clear consequences
- Clubs
- More specific signage
- Classroom orientation: conversations around coping tools, stress
- Teaching replacement behaviors

Data/information needed:

Equity considerations:

Local Condition: Students are vaping in the school bathrooms during the school day

Strategies/actions already in place:

- Climate coordinator, police called, \$25 fine, SAP involved
- Daily observance
- Cameras in place outside of hallways
- BP conversation faculty
- Community meetings

Possible Strategies:

- Vape detectors
- Faculty/staff to monitor
- Add student voices to messaging in community meetings, TAs
- Students sense of inclusion and belonging
 - Student support (counseling in school)
- Get courageous students to share their stories
 - Real stories/anonymous
- Idea of youth sharing their voice directly with faculty, and others..

Data/information needed:

Equity considerations

- fines

Local Condition: Youth are getting vapes/tobacco products from parents or other adults

Strategies/actions already in place:

- Laws under 21
- In cars with kids under 8

Possible Strategies:

- Parent cessations support
- Parent rules and education around harms of vaping and health consequences
- Asking youth to share about their experience that youth are getting from adults

Data/information needed:

- Visible
- Parents attitudes towards benign safe
- Parent use
- YRBS access

Equity considerations:

- Generational use of tobacco
- Housing policy
- Quitting support
- Health impacts