

# Partnerships for Success (PFS)

## Overview

The Partnerships for Success (PFS) 2018 grant project aims to strengthen Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI) coalitions in Washington State to expand and enhance their local Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) efforts. The objectives of the five-year PFS 2018 grant include:

- Reducing substance use rates among youth by continuing to build capacity in the state's prevention system and local communities through the CPWI model.
- Increasing the capacity of CPWI coalitions through training and technical assistance and enhancing the data infrastructure and reporting system to support ongoing evaluation studies.
- Implementing a prevention public education campaign to spread prevention messaging around the state.

The grant funding is applied for annually, and the final year of funding will end September 29, 2023.

Washington has identified underage drinking, marijuana, vaping, and prescription drug use as prevention priorities based on data from the State Epidemiological Outcome Workgroup and Washington State Prevention Enhancement (SPE) Policy Consortium's Substance Use Prevention and Mental Health Promotion Five-year Strategy.

DBHR builds capacity at the prevention provider level through trainings, including the Community Anti-drug Coalition of American (CADCA) "Boot Camp" training and the annual in-person Coalition Leadership Institute for coalition coordinators. These trainings provide coalition coordinators and leaders strategic planning and implementation training, including cultural competency and addressing health disparities.

PFS funds provide continued support to existing statewide prevention media campaigns, including the "Rethinking College Drinking" campaign focused on providing health alternatives to drinking for college students. Learn more at:

<https://thesocialpresskit.com/not-a-moment-wasted>

### Eligibility requirements

The PFS 2018 grant serves youth, families, and community members throughout Washington State. The State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW) conducted data analysis to develop community risk profiles to identify high-need communities in each county to receive funding. The new sites were selected through a Request for Proposal process, based on a demonstrated need for substance abuse prevention services combined with the readiness to implement strategies to address this need. Fifty-eight high-need communities were eligible to apply. With leveraged funding with the State Opioid Response (SOR) grant, DBHR funded 18 new CPWI communities with a two-year contract through September 29, 2020.

Each CPWI site implements evidence-based and innovating program and strategies as outlined in their approved strategic plan, action plan, and budgets to implement culturally competent services according to community need, readiness, and capacity. All plans and implementation costs vary depending on location and numbers served per program, however coalitions are funded at \$90,000 for the first year, and \$110,000 the second year.

### Authority

Federal Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number is 93.243.

### Budget

The PFS 2018 grant was awarded at \$2,260,000 per year for five years.



## People served

We anticipate serving 25,930 people over the five-year grant period, contingent upon continuation of PFS funding for all coalitions. In PFS Year 1, 2,156 individuals were served, including 752 for community engagement/coalition development, 193 through environmental/media strategies, 17 in mentoring programs, 37 in parenting programs, and 1,157 in youth education programs.

## Partners

Work continues through ongoing partnerships with the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), all nine Educational Service Districts (ESDs), County human services departments, and all local school districts participating in CPWI.

## Oversight

### Internal:

- Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery

### External:

- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration/ Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

## For More Information

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