## WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- Lock up & monitor your medications.
- Take advantage of Washington County Sheriff Department's Prescription Drug Take Back Day.
- Don't host underage drinking parties!
- Support your Town or City government with policies that encourage healthy behaviors and discourage substance abuse.
- Volunteer with community organizations that practice mentoring and positive youth development!

## AN EXAMPLE OF PFS IN ACTION: RETAIL RECOGNITION



The Partnership recently recognized businesses in Barre and the Mad River Valley for Responsible **Beverage Service; complying with the Department** of Liquor Control guidelines and not serving alcohol to minors.

The businesses were awarded certificates & sweet treats from local bakeries for their good work.

## THE WASHINGTON COUNTY

### PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS

Partnering with Our Communities for the well being of our Youth and Young Adults.



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## THE PARTNERS:

Washington County Youth Service Bureau/ Boys & Girls Club: The Bureau provides a wide range of innovative and effective programs that empower and enrich the lives of BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS Youth and families in Washington County, and throughout VT.



**Community Connections:** This partnership with schools, community members and organizations provides expanded learning opportuni-Connections ties for students and adults in Berlin, Calais, East Montpelier, Middlesex, Montpelier & Worcester, after school and in the summer, since 2001.

#### **Central Vermont New Directions Coalition:**

The Coalition serves the needs of youth and families in six Washington County towns and is dedicated to making a difference in youth

substance use in our community. CVNDC strives to successfully educate and inform all demographics within the community. Find us on: facebook

## THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS GRANT



THE PFS IS **FUNDED BY A GRANT FROM** THE VERMONT **DEPARTMENT** OF HEALTH.



Awarded in December 2013, Washington County is one of six regions in VT funded by the Vermont Department of Health through the Partnership for Success.

## Since this grant was established the PFS has:

- Increased the amount of prescription drugs collected during Washington County Take Back Collection Day.
- Supported law enforcement agencies, employing prevention strategies during the busy prom and graduation season.
- Educated the Select Boards of Washington County, assisting them in identifying new policies addressing alcohol and tobacco use in public places.
- Increased the number of Washington County businesses receiving recognition in the newspaper for their excellence in checking ID's and not selling alcohol to minors.
- Supported the Department of Liquor Control in reaching business owners with opportunities for Responsible Beverage Service training.
- Provided public education through the showing of the Hungry Heart Film; educating the public about the opiate abuse in our county.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGIES FOR**

# PREVENTION FROM THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS:

**Promoting** Responsible Beverage Service Training



with the Department of Liquor Control and recognition of businesses successfully completing compliance.

Supporting Prescription Drug Take Back Day, sponsored by the Washington
County Sherriff Department
providing safe disposal of
outdated and unused prescription medications.

echeckup to go: Personal alcohol drinking habits



can be anonymously assessed to give High School & College students interesting & useful information about personal use. Go to:

## http://www.livemoredrinklessvt.com

Partnering with law enforcement to ensure safety on the roads especially during holidays, teaching the HIGH COST of DRUNK DRIVING!





**Using tools** such as the VT documentary The Hungry Heart to help raise community awareness about heroin and prescription drug abuse.

## PROMOTING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES; MORE STRATEGIES USED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS:

- Community mobilization through a countywide communications campaign
- Education on Policy Approaches to restrict alcohol in public places and at community events.
- Enhanced Law Enforcement efforts such as Saturation Patrols & Party Patrols.
- Media Advocacy
- Education & Outreach to the community on proper storage & safe disposal of unused prescription drugs.
- Outreach to pharmacists and prescribers on providing education to patients on prescription drug misuse, safe storage & disposal.
- Promote substance abuse awareness for High School and College students through eCheckup to go and other methods.