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ODA Quarterly NEWSLETTER

Latest Deflection News & Information

Welcome back to our quarterly Newsletter!

Ohio Deflection Association delivers support around public safety for the health and wellbeing of those struggling with substance use and mental health disorders. Through the development of deflection and pre-arrest diversion strategies, support tools and facilitating the education of community partners providing outreach services. Focusing on real life challenges with real time solutions by providing communities with education, guidance and resources.

2024 ODA Updates:

ODA representatives will be attending more events in the field this year, including several community events supporting QRTs and Operation BRIDGE events all over the state!

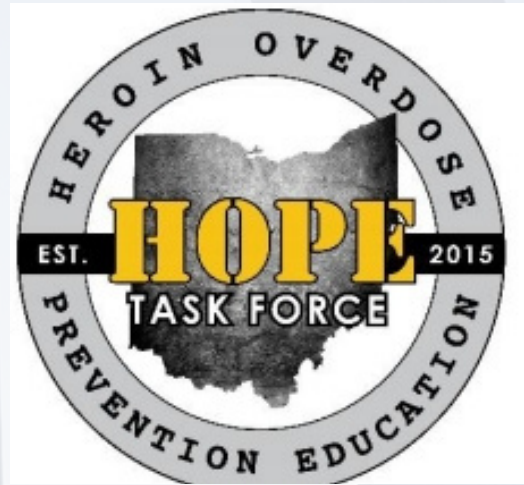
If you are interested in having an ODA representative at your events, please reach out to our Administrative Assistant, Scotlynn Duff (odaassociate@gmail.com)



**See recent event
information
below!**

OPERATION HOPE:

We are partnering with community providers to supply resources and aid to individuals and families in the community who are struggling with drug dependence, Mental Health issues, food insecurity and much more. This is an opportunity to help educate individuals with sexual health education information, local faith-based outreach teams and other supportive services.



Scotlynn Duff (Administrative Assistant) attended the Ohio Task Force Commanders Spring meeting at Hocking Hills State Park and gave a presentation



Our very own Nicole Jenkins (Secretary) and Jessica Jennings (Board Member) showing their support & Representing ODA by attending the Operation HOPE event!





Leadership Lorain County plans to “Toss the Stigma” of poverty, substance use disorder, behavioral health, and homelessness with a Community Day & Cornhole Tournament. Welcoming individuals and organizations from every corner of Lorain County, we’re blending fun and purpose to spotlight essential services and break down barriers.

Taking place September 21st, 2024 @ LCCC Fieldhouse

10am-4pm

Register here:

https://www.leadershiploraincounty.com/events/toss_the_stigma/

**Now Hiring:
see details below**



We are searching for a Substance Use Deflection Initiative Program Coordinator. This full-time position will work with communities across Ohio to increase and enhance substance use deflection and harm reduction work. To read a full job description and apply, go to :

<https://neomed.peopleadmin.com/postings/3962>

QRT INVENTORY:

We are working hard to account for all quick response and overdose response teams in Ohio with our QRT Inventory. We want to ensure that our information is comprehensive and that all of your voices are represented! The results of the inventory will

inform our development of resources and materials, dissemination of best practices, and tailoring of training and technical assistance. The final report will also be available to participants. At the time of this writing, we have completed inventories with 42 teams in 36 of

Ohio's counties and have scheduled inventories in 10 more. We are still looking to schedule

with Ashtabula, Lake, Ross, Pike, Highland, Mercer, Preble, Brown, and Hamilton. We are still looking for contacts in Allen, Auglaize, Hardin, Clark, Greene, Madison, Guernsey, Noble, and Mahoning to determine the status of teams and/or schedule. If we haven't connected or scheduled with you or you have contacts that might aid in our final push, please

reach out to Ashley Morgan, Director of the Deflection Initiative, at amorgan2@neomed.edu.

Sign up for Deflection News!

Please join our email list that will be dedicated to all things deflection and will include information on upcoming events, funding opportunities, news from around the state and nation, relevant resources and progress on the initiative.

Click here to sign

up:

https://neomed.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3mvU9oUrGZZNGBg

Operation Bridge

Bridging Recovery & Interdiction Data Gathering Enforcement.

The Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) in collaboration with other state, local and private entities are driving two statewide community outreach days called Operation BRIDGE Days. The focus will be a collaborative effort to identify resources and build partnerships between law enforcement and outreach within the community. The goal is to have participation in all 88 counties in the State of Ohio.

For more information on future operations or if you would like to participate, please email BRIDGE@dps.ohio.gov.

Latest BRIDGE Operation Stats:

Outreach Contacts:
1,818

Naloxone Distributed:
1,224

Individuals Connected to Treatment:
27

Referrals to Treatment:
42

Fentanyl Test Strips Distributed:
924



ODA Administrative Assistant, Scotlynn Duff attending Lawrence County's BRIDGE detail in May

If you are interested in having an ODA representative at your BRIDGE Detail please email Scotlynn : odaassociate@gmail.com

Upcoming BRIDGE Events:

-Guernsey County- June 27-28, 2024

-Lorain County- August 1-2, 2024

Upcoming Conferences & Trainings



PTACC
POLICE, TREATMENT, AND COMMUNITY
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REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

**PTACC 2024 International Deflection
and Pre-Arrest Diversion Summit**

Theme "Deflection: Evolution and Innovation"

Oct 29 - Nov 1, 2024 - Seattle, WA

2024 PTACC Summit:

When?

October 29- November 1, 2024

Where?

Seattle, Washington

Click link below for more details!

<https://ptaccollaborative.org/conference/>

Available Funding Opportunities



With this solicitation, BJA seeks to develop, implement, or expand comprehensive programs in response to the overdose crisis and the impacts of illicit opioids, stimulants, or other substances

<https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2024-172128>



ohiodeflectionassociation.org

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ODA Mini Grants:

- a. The ODA board approved the opening of the application process for any ODA member to apply for funding to support your deflection efforts—a limit of \$1,000 per team/site in a calendar year.
- b. ODA Mini-grant funding can be used for any “Deflection” related expense.
Food,
materials, contingency management items (e.g., gift cards), IDs, birth certificates, and whatever else your team might need.
- c. Ohio teams/sites will take precedence in selecting the priority of application for funds.
 - i. With that said, all ODA members are encouraged to apply for funding.
- d. This is a reminder for all 2024 ODA Summit registrants that your registration includes a 13-month ODA membership until February 2025.
- e. Anyone not a current ODA member can update your membership for \$25.

