

# **OHIO PARTNERSHIPS FOR SUCCESS GRANT PROGRAM**

**Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services**

## **PROBLEM OF PRACTICE (PoP) REPORT**

**Data Mini-Grantee**

### **ADAMS COUNTY**

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## County Profile

Adams County is a designated Appalachian county that borders the Ohio River in the southern portion of the state of Ohio and has an estimated population of 27,907.

The population is predominantly Caucasian (97.3%), with 1.4% of the county identifying as multiracial. A small percentage (1.0%) of the county reports being of Hispanic or Latino origin.

English is the predominant language, with only 1.4% of residents reporting that another language is spoken at home.

Among residents above 25 years of age, 78.2% have a high school diploma and 10.9% have a Bachelor's degree or higher. Both the high school graduation rate and the percentage of higher education degrees in the county are lower than those found across Ohio (89.5% and 26.7%, respectively).

The five-year median household income (2012-2016) is \$34,709, which is considerably lower than the state median of \$50,674. The five-year estimates for the percentage of the county residents below the Federal Poverty Level is 20.2%, which is above the state estimate of 14.6%.

The county includes two public school districts (Adams County/Ohio Valley School District and Manchester Local School District).

## Prevention Data Committee (PDC)

Our PDC has met two times. We plan to meet on a biweekly basis. Our PDC consists of the following members:

Member Name	Organization
Karen Ballengee	School
Jude Endicott	Senior Citizen
SharonAshley	Service Organization
Beth Frazier	Business
Sarah Hood	Medical: Substance Abuse
Randy Chandler	Community Coalition
Sherry Stout	Community Coalition
Linda Naylor	Education

**Priority Problem**

Ohio’s SPF-PFS project focuses on 1) underage drinking among individuals ages 12-20 years and 2) prescription drug abuse among individuals ages 12-25 years.

We have decided to select *Underage Drinking* as our Priority Problem.

**Priority Population**

We will address underage drinking with both males and females, among 7<sup>th</sup> through 12th grade students in the Ohio Valley Local School District and the Manchester School District located in Adams County Ohio.

**Data Sources Used When Selecting Priority Problem**

- 2017 OHYES! Assessment for Adams County
- 2017 Adams County Health Assessment
- Ohio NSDUH 2013/2014
- 2017 OHYES! Assessment for Lawrence County
- National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2015
- 2015 YouthRisk Behavior Survey
- Youth Online: High School YRBS, 1991-2015

**Adams County Problem Statement**

In these schools, according to the OHYES! Assessment data, 15.5% of all students drank one or more drinks during the past 30 days. In addition, the 30 day use went from less than 3.2% of 7<sup>th</sup> grade students to 30.7% of 11th grade students and 32% of 12th grade students.

**Why Underage Drinking is an Issue among Priority Population in Adams County**

Use of alcohol by youth under the age of 18 is an issue in Adams County Ohio. The Prevention Data Committee compared data from the 2017 OHYES! survey and the Adams County Health Department’s 2017 YRBS data and found high percentages of 30 day use along with low percentages of parental and peer disapproval, risk/harm of binge drinking, and communication with parents around drug use, this measure also includes alcohol. The percentages of use are higher than state or national levels.

**Outcome Variables**

Outcome Variable	Baseline Data	Data Source	Year
Alcohol 30 day use	15.5% of all students drank one or more drinks during the past 30 days.	OHYES! Data	2017
Alcohol 30 day use	30.7% of 11th grade students drank one or more drinks during the past 30 days.	OHYES! Data	2017
Alcohol 30 day use	32% of 12th grade students drank one or more drinks during the past 30 days.	OHYES! Data	2017