

**Community Impact Annual Report: 2019 - 2020**

**Mission Statement: *The mission of Boyle County ASAP is to develop short and long-term strategies and resources which effectively reduce the incidence of smoking and other tobacco use, alcohol misuse and alcohol use disorders, and illegal drug and drug use disorders in Boyle County, Kentucky.***

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**Summary of the Year’s Work:** Boyle County’s ASAP’s work was strongly affected in the second half of the year by the shutdowns and restrictions of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic. In spite of many cancellations of planned programming March through June 30, important goals were met. Once again, ASAP partnered with the Arts Commission of Boyle County, to host a prevention-focused play, “The Piano Paradox”, written by Elizabeth Orndorff, and attended by over 1500 area middle and high school students and adult community members. With education and advocacy by ASAP members, a Smoke-Free Ordinance was passed by Perryville City Council. ASAP continued to increase its work with Re-entry organizations. International Overdose Awareness Day was commemorated with a memorial service and Casey’s Law training. ASAP members were heavily involved in the beginning work of the University of Kentucky Healing Communities Study, support by an NIH grant. ASAP looks forward to the resources and support from that grant assisting in reducing overdose deaths for the coming fiscal year. Until COVID-19 restrictions against in-person meetings occurred, ASAP meeting attendance averaged over 30 per meetings. And, ASAP members stepped up to serve critical community needs resulting from the pandemic.

The Board of Directors of Boyle County ASAP wishes to thank Kentucky ASAP and Kentucky’s Office of Drug Control Policy for the funds and support made available for the work in Boyle County. In addition, the Board of Directors wishes to thank the many community residents who gave donations and time to the mission of this organization.

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**Highlights of Boyle County ASAP’s Community Impact in 2019 – 2020:**

* Sponsored 2 community Overdose Response Trainings and Distributed over 100 Naloxone kits
* Continued to support the growing work of the Boyle County Syringe Exchange Program
* Supported the use of 2 Drug Drop Boxes in Boyle County
* Supported area outpatient, intensive outpatient, residential substance use disorder treatment programs, sober living housing, and recovery support programs
* Utilized private donations from individuals, churches, and other organizations, to support the cost of treatment for 4 area residents with no means to pay for treatment
* Utilized private donations from individuals, churches, and other organizations, to support the cost of 35 weeks of sober living for area residents with no means to pay
* Utilized private donations from individuals, churches, and other organizations, to support the cost of travel to treatment outside Boyle County for 15 area residents
* Supported alcohol and drug-free Project Graduations at Danville & Boyle County High Schools
* Participated in Centre College Poverty and Homelessness Week, and Employee Wellness Fair
* Cosponsored with Hope Network the fourth annual “First Responder Thank You Lunch”, which served over 200 community First Responders whose work is affected by the drug crisis
* Participated in community educational events, directly reaching over 3868 youth and adults
* Supported evidence-based prevention programs in the Danville and Boyle County Schools and collaborated with Danville H.S. on a prevention-oriented Book Read
* Cosponsored with Hope Network 3 lunch meetings of a quarterly Lunch and Learn series on substance use and mental health disorders, attended by 40 pastors and other faith leaders
* Collaborated with over 40 other organizations to build community capacity to address prevention, education, treatment, harm reduction, and enforcement related to substance use, misuse, and addiction

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