

WILSON COUNTY SUBSTANCE PREVENTION COALITION

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WCSPC HISTORY

The Wilson County Substance Prevention Coalition was established in April 2007. The coalition is organized for the charitable purpose of reducing substance misuse by addressing factors in the community that increases the risk of substance misuse and promoting the factors that minimize that risk.

Recovery Concepts Community Center (RC3) is a community recovery center and an initiative of The Wilson County Substance Prevention Coalition, created in 2017. This community center is for those working to sustain and maintain their recovery from substance use disorders can visit the center to take part in educational opportunities, group meetings, social events, or just to hang out in a place that is recovery informed, friendly, and healthy.



Wilson County Substance Prevention Coalition staff picture

(from left to right) Anna Davis, Pamela Letchworth, Ashlie Smith, Jeff Hill, Morgan Miller

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HIGHLIGHTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Dr. Stephen Loyd from Cedar Recovery invited the WCSPC along with Area L AHEC and Carolina Family Health Centers had the privilege of representing the state of North Carolina at the Opioid Settlement Abatement Conference at Georgetown University in Washington, DC on January 26th.

This conference was an amazing opportunity to network with experts in the field of OUD and hear ideas that we can bring back to Wilson in hopes of changing the quality of care that our community members have access to for the better.

Our Wilson County reps posing with Dr. Stephen Loyd!



“I never dreamed about success. I worked for it.” ~Estée Lauder

UPCOMING EVENTS

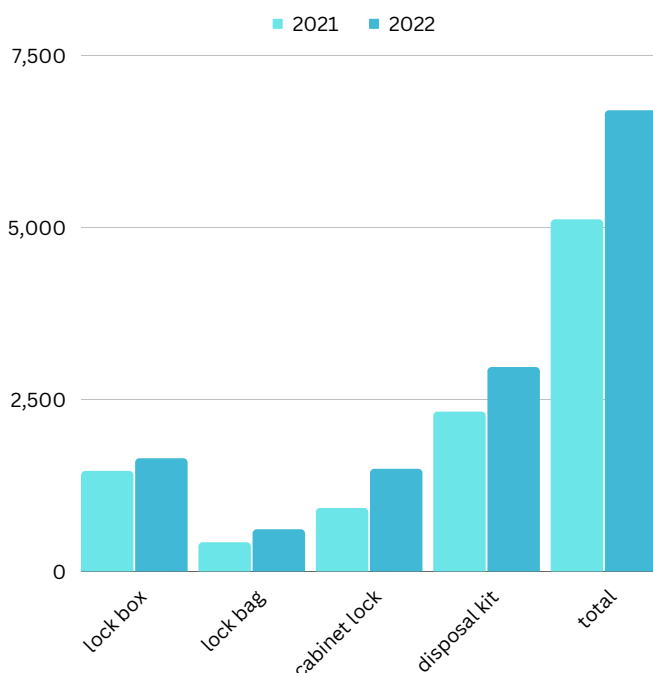
- **Recovery Coach Academy** - February 27 - March 3, 8:00am - 12:00pm
- **Youth Mental Health First Aid** - March 8, 8:30am
- **WCSPC Full Coalition Meeting** - TBA

RC3 is temporarily closed due to renovations so support group meetings and Easy Does It Cafe are not running

DATA VISUALIZATION

The Wilson County Substance Prevention Coalition provides the Wilson County community with free Lock Your Meds materials to keep medications and alcohol from getting into the wrong hands. The materials include medication locking boxes, medication/vaping material locking bags, cabinet/refrigerator locks, and medication disposal kits. Anyone who needs these materials are always welcome to stop by the office or give us a call and let us know what they need!

The chart below shows the amount of materials given away in 2021 and 2022. In 2021 the total number of materials given was 5,113 and in 2022 the number was 6,697 items!



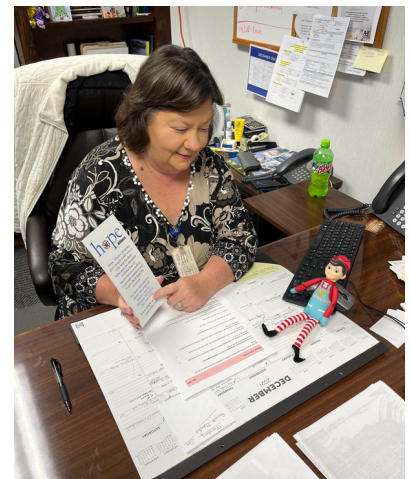
MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

My name is Shannon Nichols and I currently serve as the Board Chairman for the Wilson County Substance Prevention Coalition. I have been employed with the City of Wilson's Police Department as the victim assistance Coordinator for 27 ½ years. In 2017, we started the Hope Alliance program which I serve as the Coordinator as well. And I will be retiring on March 1st of this year.

I grew up in Wilson County and have worked in Wilson for my entire career. I am very active in the Wilson Community, not only with RC3 and the Wilson Substance Prevention Coalition, but I also serve on the Board of Directors for the Flynn Christian Fellowship Homes and Wilson County Office of Senior Citizens Affairs. I also serve on the Diversified Opportunities Rights, Health and Safety Committee, and the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.

I have two adult sons, Tyler and his wife Kyrstin, and Jacob, whom I am very proud of, and three grand fur babies, Bobo, Bristol, and Maggie Mac.

I am honored to work with the fine staff and Board of Directors for the Wilson County Substance Prevention Coalition. The Wilson Community has a lot to offer those in recovery and I hope that we can continue to see services expand.



Shannon Nichols posing for RC3's "Jeff on a Shelf" campaign.

PARTNER PORTION

The people who make Wilson Fire/Rescue Services work, from personnel to leadership, are of the highest quality. Various people in our organization including staff, emergency operations, training, maintenance, public education, or community risk reduction have all dedicated themselves to the life safety of the citizens of Wilson. Every individual has been selected specifically for the role they serve, and have committed themselves to being an important part of the team.

The Operations Division is 90 members dedicated to public service. These men and women operate from 5 strategically located stations to serve the community with an all hazards response. The men and women in the Operations Division are highly trained and customer service focused.

The Community Risk Reduction Division, also serves to educate the citizens in all aspects of fire and life safety. Along with a comprehensive list of education objectives, fire inspectors provide a number of other inspection services including tent, blasting, daycare, foster care, fireworks usage, hazardous materials inventory, underground tank removal, and other types of courtesy inspections.

The training division is responsible for providing both basic and advance level continuing education training to all members of the organization. This training includes Firefighter, EMT, Technical Rescue, Driver Operator, Officer Development, Fire Investigations and Hazardous Materials. There are three Safety/Training Officers that are assigned to each shift to assist with maintaining the training needs of the department and they operate as Safety Officers on emergency incidents. This division includes Hiring and Recruiting and Maintenance.

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Some our Community Outreach services include but aren't limited too, installation of smoke alarms, Car seat installation, fire extinguisher training, Station tours, fire truck displays, CPR training, senior fire and falls workshop and general fire speaker.

We embrace the challenges and opportunities of providing these services in a fast-pace and complex environment. Through training, innovation, and a data-driven decision-making lens, we are able to remain in a constant state of improvement. We will continue to mold and shape our services to meet the ever-changing needs of this community. We will also continue to seek more effective and efficient means of delivering our services.



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