



SHIAWASSEE PREVENTION NETWORK

2020 YEAR IN REVIEW

The Shiawassee Prevention Network (SPN) has been in existence for over 9 years and consists of members (agencies and residents) in Shiawassee County as well as state-wide level representation from Michigan Coalition of Underage Drinking, Mid-State Health Network, and Michigan Association for Suicide Prevention.

Shiawassee Prevention Network's mission is to identify and take action on social issues impacting Shiawassee County. While this year has been challenging for all, SPN continued work on our initiatives including; marijuana, underage drinking, prescription drugs, and sextortion.

During 2020, SPN accomplished or participated in:

- Prescription Take Back Events: 3
- Suicide Prevention Walk with 168 attendees: September
- Prevention Prepared Communities Training: August
- Unity Day: October
- Families Against Narcotics meetings
- Created a website: shiawassee-prevention.org
- Purchased a Hidden in Plain Sight trailer
- Partnered with the Shiawassee County Health Department on a marijuana grant to educate residents about:
 - Don't drive high
 - Marijuana and the teen brain
 - Safe Storage
- Marijuana education video at NCG Cinema
- Provided lock boxes through community agencies
- Provided local high schools with pencils and sticky notes for Unity Day to promote kindness, inclusion and acceptance
- Z92.5 Radio advertisements educating the importance of safely disposing prescription medication
- Established focus areas for 2021

SPN meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 9AM-10AM and are open to all. Meetings are currently being held on Zoom. If you are interested in learning more or attending a meeting, please message us on Facebook (Shiawassee Prevention Network).