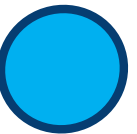


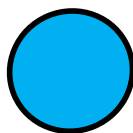
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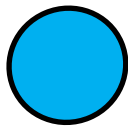
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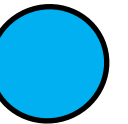
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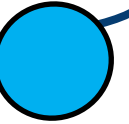
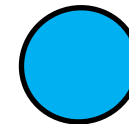


Welcome

Welcome to our 2021 Raymond Coalition For Youth Annual Report. This is our first report as we emerge out of COVID so our pictures are limited but our work didn't stop. RCFY is a very out in the community coalition so this has been a challenging year, but we adapted! Prevention cannot stop and our youth and community needed us perhaps now more than ever. Thank you to everyone who continues to support RCFY and our effort to make a difference with youth and for youth. We couldn't do it without YOU and we hope you enjoy the book .



A coalition is a formal arrangement for cooperation and collaboration between groups or sectors of the community, in which each group retains its identity but all agree to work together towards a common goal of building a safe and healthy community. - Carlton Hall Consulting

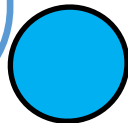


Prevention is our community working together, sharing resources, time, and efforts to support the overall mission of RCFY. We are very grateful to our partners who work together to be a part of RCFY to support our youth and community.



The Raymond Coalition For Youth empowers the community to promote positive youth development and reduce youth substance use, and suicide risk.

Stay connected and updated with everything RCFY through our newsletter, meetings, social channels and www.rcfy.org,



Connecting Resources



Thank you Celeste and the entire group who created a wonderful opportunity for our teachers and community helpers. I truly enjoyed the opportunity to be a part of this community event! Excellent job in hosting this event.



Thank you Angie D'Anjou, Awakening Moments Center, LLC



2021 Welcome Back to school Wellness Fair



That was a good connection. Thanks, Dianna S



And while we are up here, we try to "Walk the RCFY walk" with positive words to young folks at stores, restaurants, etc. Jim T.



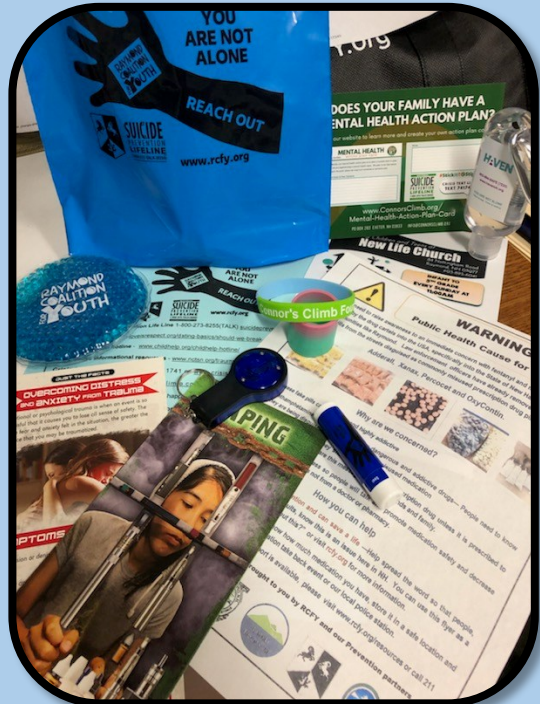


#mentalhealthawareness



May is Mental Health Awareness month and RCFY partnered with The Seacoast Public Health Networks, Raymond School District, Lamprey Health Care, Connors Climb, Seacoast Mental Health and HAVEN to provide resource and self care bags for all students in Raymond NH. There were also some fun goodies to remind everyone it is okay to stop, take a break and have a treat . Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and energy to make this happen. A special shout out to Raymond Recreation for use of their space to put the bags together! Our RCFY Youth Action member came up with the **Reach Out You Are Not Alone** campaign with the suicide prevention hotline number. This message was printed on t-shirts and distributed to our students, staff, and community.

Another example of the power of youth voice and Youth in Action!

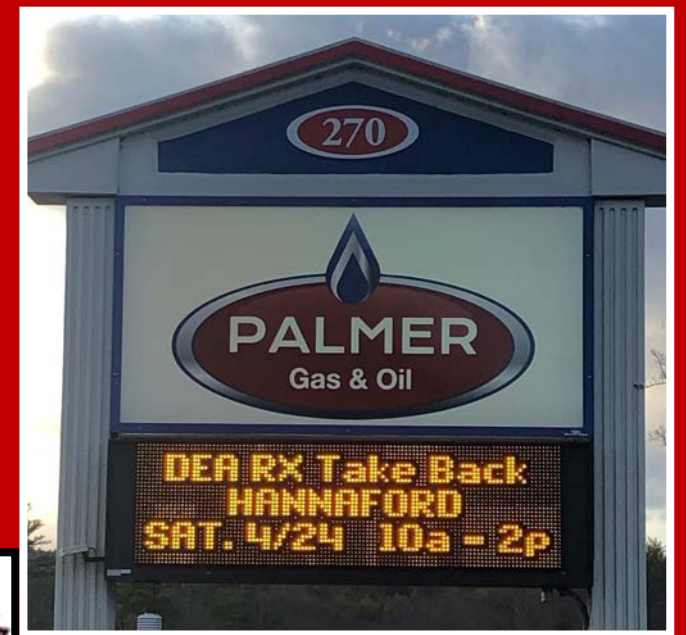
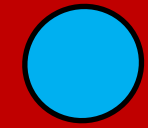


DEA NATIONAL ^{Rx} TAKEBACK



652 POUNDS of meds collected in total!

Thank you! We couldn't do it without the dedication and hard work of the RCFY! It was a great team effort!
 Michael R. Labell, Chief of Police



"Thanks so much, Celeste. I really value the relationships we've built. Good things DO happen when we work together. Take care.
 Erin, DEA"

Providing Opportunities - RCFY Monthly meetings



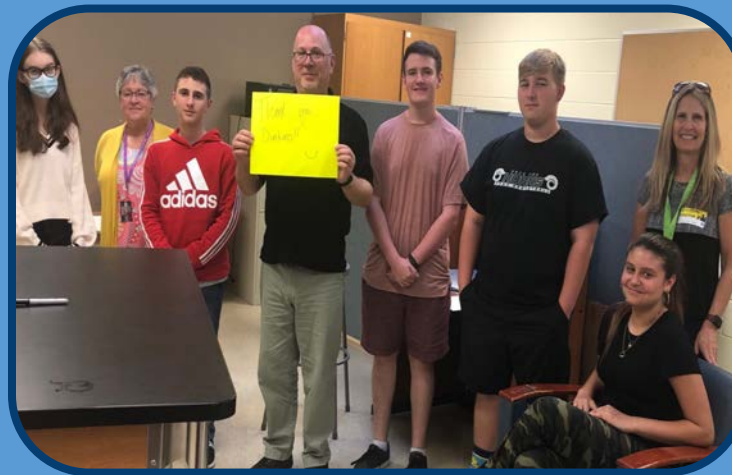
RCFY Board meetings— happen monthly on the first Monday of the month at 3:30 pm. These meetings happened via zoom during COVID but are back in person. Thank you to all of our members who volunteer their time and leadership to make #RCFY happen. Please contact a member or our office if you are interested in this opportunity



RCFY Monthly Networking and Resource sharing Meetings happen on the second Thursday of the month 9:00 am - 10:30 am at the Raymond Baptist Church. Meetings were via zoom but are back in person. These meetings are a great opportunity to listen, learn and share about new resources and opportunity to engage and serve our youth and communities. All are welcome to attend.



I just wanted to let you know how much of a pleasure it has been working with you and the RCFY group. After every meeting I attended I always felt so inspired to keep plugging away at teen safety, even when it felt so hard, especially during the COVID era. You are a fantastic group! - Chris B.



#RCFY Youth Action meetings happen at both our High School (Tuesdays) and Middle School (Wednesdays). These meetings are open for all students to attend and we have homeschooled, private and online platform students (VLAC) who are actively involved and participate as well. These meetings are student led and adult supported. All of the programming and outreach efforts of RCFY start with involving our young people in the process.

RCFY was established by volunteers in 2002 and then on January 24th, 2004 the Raymond Coalition For Youth, Inc. was classified as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Thank you to each of these amazing people who make up the governing Board of Directors and donate their time, talent and energy to make RCFY possible.



Pictured: Carrie Chooljian, Secretary; Lamprey Health Care; Care Manager, **Dustin Ramey**, Development Director; Edward Jones Financial Manager, **Deborah Intonti**, Executive Assistant to the Town Manager, **Jessica Caron**, SAU 33 Behavioral Health Coordinator, **Patrick Arsenaunt**, Director, Raymond 21st Century LEAP Program, **Mark Hassenpflug**, Vice-Chair; Retired - Banking/Non-profit, **David DeRousi**, SAU33 Interim Superintendent, **Cutler Brown**, Treasurer; Veteran, Retired - Business, **John Gagliardi**, Business owner - Alarms Plus, **Ali Bousquin**, Chair; Family Ministries Coordinator, Bethany Church, **Jon LaMontagne** - Bethany Church Pastor - Raymond campus



Staff members of the Raymond Coalition For Youth

Celeste Clark, Executive Director

Pamela Turcotte, Finance Coordinator

Pamela Baker, Program Coordinator

Empowering Youth

Youth voice is the driving force behind the work of RCFY. They bring the issues they care most about to our meetings and we work together on solutions of how best to make a difference. Our Youth continue to express great concern about the negative impacts they see that marijuana has on their peers, through personal use, access to the substance and how they see it impacting youth in their family and community settings. They launched an effort to change policy at a local level through the voting process to limit access to marijuana and increase awareness to the current dangers of this substance at a local level. They did an excellent job and passed two town warrant articles to limit marijuana commercialization in Raymond and prohibit businesses from advertising using the likeness of the marijuana plant. Learn more at www.rcfy.org

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Raymond voters send a message: Marijuana shops can stay out

■ Marijuana remains illegal in NH, but the town wanted to make its position clear in case anything changes.

By Shawne K. Wickham
New Hampshire Sunday News

Town meeting voters in Raymond last month sent a message to any businesses that might someday want to manufacture, sell or promote marijuana products: You are not welcome here. Residents narrowly approved two new zoning ordinances prohibiting commercial activities and signs related to marijuana. The southern New Hampshire town of about 10,000 residents is apparently the first community in the state to pass such a ban.

Town meeting voters in Meredith voted to table a similar article in 2020.

The Raymond vote came just weeks after a bill to legalize marijuana use for adults 21 and older died in the House, leaving New Hampshire an island of prohibition surrounded by states that have legalized recreational use. But proponents of the ban said it was important to act even though recreational use is not legal here.

"This was really a very proactive prevention message that we were ahead of the game, trying to send a message to the state and to the government that the majority of people don't want this in their community," said Celeste Clark, executive director of Raymond Coalition for Youth, the prevention organization that drafted and promoted the two petition warrant articles.

Both articles were recommended by the town planning board. The coalition organized a public awareness campaign, and members of its youth action group helped gather signatures for the warrant articles.

"We knew it was going to be a battle going in," she said. The proposals ignited a

“This was really a very proactive prevention message ... that the majority of people don't want this in their community.”

CELESTE CLARK
Raymond Coalition for Youth

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WE DID IT!!!
THANK YOU to everyone who voted YES
#37 638 YES 547 no
#38 613 YES 572 no

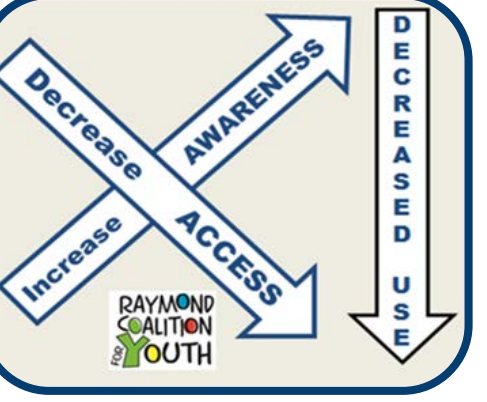
#37 and #38
Support Our Youth

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You do great work. I don't know where we would be without you.

"I was glad to see that a lot of parents are still concerned about these kinds of activities, ... She's not really worried about adult use, 'I'm concerned about how it's going to impact our youth,' Allowing commercialization of marijuana 'normalizes it more and it makes it less stigmatized for children,' 'Just like alcohol is so mainstream, so a lot of kids think it's OK to have a beer.'"
Jacci R.— RCFY Youth Action member, Sunday News, April 18, 2021



Substance Misuse Prevention

Marijuana: Why You Should Care

1 Of the states that have legalized marijuana, the majority of communities have opted out of sales in their community.

Marijuana: Why You Should Care

2 Pot plants are thirsty! Environmental impact of growing marijuana. One plant takes six gallons of water a day to grow.

Marijuana: Why You Should Care

15 In Oregon and Colorado marijuana shops now outnumber McDonald's and Starbucks.

Source: Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Liquor Control Commission, Colorado Department of Revenue

This message is brought to you by the following drug free coalitions of New Hampshire

Marijuana: Why You Should Care

4 No regulated serving amounts for edibles. While they look the same, marijuana infused caramels can be very different. One may contain 10 mg of active THC, and another may contain 100 mg of active THC. Would you know how many to eat?

Can you tell the difference between these two marijuana-infused caramels?

Marijuana: Why You Should Care

7 This is today's marijuana

Marijuana is Not "Just a Plant" Anymore – Derivatives Contain up to 98% THC

Substance Misuse Prevention is always stronger when we work together. RCFY is lucky to work with great partners like our NH Drug Free Community Coalitions, and community and state partners who all pitch in to raise awareness & keep our kids safe! A special thank you to our Media partners, WMUR, NH Union Leader, Carriage Towne News, RCTV and Raymond Area News who help to get information out to the general public.

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Addressing Substance Misuse as a Community

Carriage Towne News

RAYMOND — Raymond Coalition For Youth will hold their next monthly meeting on Thurs., October 14, from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at Raymond Baptist Church. All are welcome to attend!

The guest speaker will be David Mara, Governor Sununu's Advisor on Behavioral Health. He will be giving a presentation on New Hampshire's current overdose data and will have discussion on strategies to address this. Participants will also learn more about the programs and services of Waypoint and Building Futures Together at the Institute on Disability at UNH.

We continue to hear about increased reports of drug related overdose deaths and the need for partners to better respond as a community. Come learn about the important role that providing information and awareness plays in preventing more young people from experimenting with substances.



2021 RCFY Scholarship goes to..... Alex Cooney

Alex was an outstanding leader of RCFY Youth Action for four years. His voice not only made a difference and influenced positive change in Raymond, he has spoken at the State of NH Capital building during session on the floor advocating for the importance of substance misuse prevention and awareness, with NH Delegates, staff from the White House and the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Alex is a true leader who we are proud to say is a member of #RCFY. We look forward to seeing all the amazing things he is going to continue to do. Congratulations Alex!!



"RCFY is more than just an anti-drug club. It is a community. A safe space where kids can go to feel no pressure when talking about what in life is stressing them out. When I am asked, "Why is being a part of the RCFY important to you?", my answer to that is, "... because it's worth it." - Alex C.

Red Ribbon Week




Recognition and Awards



To kick off Red Ribbon Week the White House requested a meeting for the Office of National Drug Control Policy Director James Carroll to meet with RCFY staff and Youth Action members. Youth Action members were recognized by the White House for their leadership efforts promoting substance misuse prevention amongst their peers and in the community. A special thank you to our host Jon DeLena and the DEA.



IN LOVING

memory

The following individuals have made donations to RCFY on behalf of a loved one.

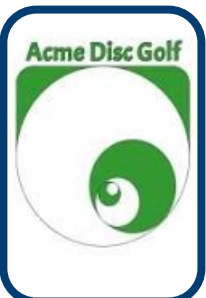
William & Tammy Baker , in memory of **Robert A. Baker**
Tammy Talbot, in memory of **Walter "Wally" Barbeau**
Dad & Mom, and **Frank & Lauren Chairadio**,
in memory of **David Higgins**

 **Disc Golf in Raymond**
Cam Baer - Memorial Disc Golf Course at Riverside Park



Doin' It For Cam
CJB1440

Thank you to the family, friends and local businesses that have supported this project to bring a park to Raymond in Cam's memory. Vicki and Craig have tirelessly put in thousands of hours of love coordinating this effort to make this park a reality, so that people of all ages can get outside, enjoy nature and have fun playing a game that Cam so loved himself.



Thank You



A special congratulations, and a very big Thank You, to **Nathan McTague** of Epping who completed his Eagle Scout project by providing benches for the disc golf park. Nathan designed the benches, fundraised for the supplies, built and then delivered and set up all 36 benches. His efforts are appreciated beyond words.

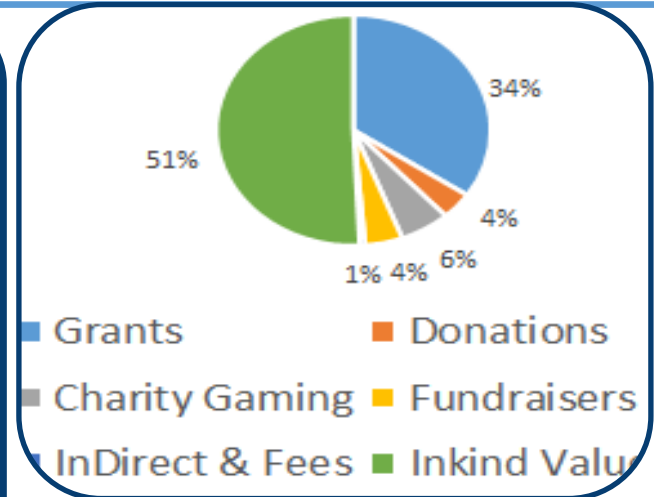


Sustainability

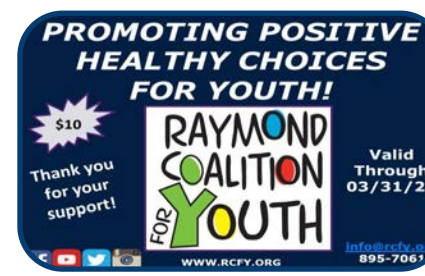
The Raymond Coalition For Youth has been working together as a community since 2002 to Promote Positive Healthy Choices for Youth. In twenty years we have built a pretty amazing thing and are committed to seeing that RCFY stays around and continues to work with our youth to make a difference. Over the years there are MANY people, businesses and organizations who have contributed to the legacy of RCFY. We thank you all and encourage you to learn more about the many ways you can support the programs and events that make up RCFY. Grants, Donations, Charitable Gaming, Fundraisers, Shopping, Sponsorships, your time and talent and more....



Thank you to **Deerfield Family Dentistry** For their generous donation to support RCFY.



2020 RCFY Budget	
INCOME	
Grants	115635
Sponsorships	1500
Donations	12727
Charity Gaming	19885
Fundraisers	13326
Indirect & Fees	2092
TOTAL	165165
EXPENSES	
Personnel	95929
Benefits	18094
Supplies	36987
Contractual	9345
Travel & Training	455
Other	4657
TOTAL	165467
In-Kind Value (volunteers, donated space & Services)	169450



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Telly's 10% off any purchase (cannot be combined with other offers)	DUNKIN' DONUTS Buy 1 coffee get a free donut Raymond	China One 10% any purchase \$5 max 895-1222
Lucky Corner Buy Pu Pu platter for 2 get free sm.pork rice Order \$60 + get free Gen. 50's or Sesame Chicken 8878	McDonald's Buy one medium fry and one medium soft drink and get one Big Mac or Quarter Pounder Free. BOGO Egg McFluffin Sandwich Raymond only	JAMBS Jewelry 17 Freetown Raymond 244-3680 20% off regular price item/ex: services
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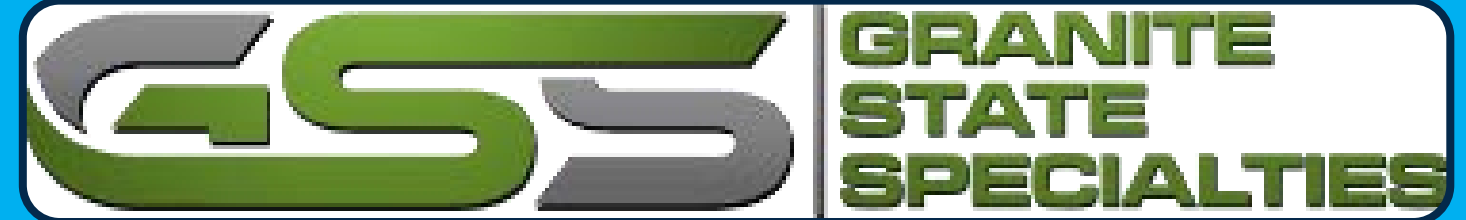
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