

ALGER COUNTY COMMUNITIES THAT CARE

A QUARTERLY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

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MSU Extension

MSU PODCAST

Tune in to the Newest MSU Podcast that covers Harm Reduction and the efforts being done in our region. The podcast is scheduled to be released later this month, so monitor our Facebook to find the link!



NARCAN DISTRIBUTION DAY

On Overdose Awareness Day, August 31st – We will be doing free Narcan distribution at the Chatham Co-op from 9am to 1pm. Monica Eriksen from LMASDHD will be there for questions and to provide training on how and when to use Narcan.



Pizza with a Purpose

·Our 5th annual Pizza with a Purpose event is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, September 23-24. Last year we raised \$16,000 (despite the pandemic) and this year we hope to make it \$20,000. AC3 gives \$30,000 annually to 3 local school districts for school social workers and the monies raised from this fundraiser support that. Pasta will also be offered again this year and customers can call in orders. Businesses place orders ahead of time and the first four hours of each day go to filling these orders. Last year, almost every local business participated! This year we are selling commemorative T Shirts for \$20 and there will only be 50 available, so let Bobbi know if you want a T Shirt and if you'd like to volunteer.



Get Involved Today!

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Alger CTC uses an evidence-based prevention model that surveys Alger County youth in grades 6th, 8th, 10th and 12th. This survey is conducted in five local school districts (Superior Central, Munising Public, Munising Baptist, AuTrain-Onota, and Burt Township). The surveys have been given every two years beginning in 2014. Results are analyzed against other data from the U.S. Census, Kids Count, and the State of Michigan Drop Out Rate. The results tell us both Risk Factors and Protective Factors for Alger County Youth. Alger CTC then utilized evidence based programming to combat our areas of concern. For example, a protective factor that was low on our first survey in 2014 was Opportunities for Pro-Social Involvement in School. We've made significant progress in this area since that time and our students are now above the national average for this in all grades surveyed.

Alger CTC currently has the data available for year 2020 and plan to host a screening in the coming months. To find out more please reach out to us at algerctc@gmail.com

Recovery Awareness Month

September is Recovery Awareness Month. Throughout Alger County we have many individuals in Recovery.

Make sure to continue to support them and foster environments that allow for sober living. If you know anyone who is struggling with addiction please reach out to the LMASDHD Harm reduction team at 906) 322-4444

ALGER FAMILIES AGAINST NARCOTICS

We are excited to announce that the Alger County Families Against Narcotics Chapter will be officially launching in September! FAN is a statewide organization that focuses on recovery of the individual with Substance Use Disorder and also their families. **YOU ARE NOT ALONE.** To find out more please reach out to etorong@lmasdhd.org or find more information at our Pizza with a Purpose Event!



"JOIN A WORKGROUP"

Ac3 is always looking for new members. We currently are looking to add members to all of our workgroups. Our workgroups are the foundation of our successes. Whether getting information out to the public interests you or planning a large community fundraiser. We have something for everyone. If you are interested in joining a workgroup please email us at algercountycctc@gmail.com