



"NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS CAN CHANGE THE WORLD; INDEED, IT'S THE ONLY THING THAT EVER DOES." MARGARET MEAD



Meriden and Wallingford Substance Abuse Council, Inc.

Mission Statement

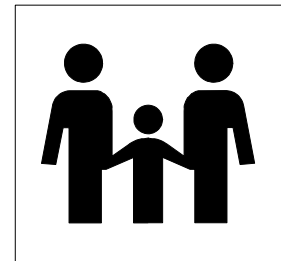
- ◆ To work with community members to identify substance abuse prevention, intervention and treatment needs as well as related community health concerns
- ◆ To increase awareness and foster the acceptance of community responsibility to address these needs now and in the future
- ◆ To support collaborative solutions for substance abuse prevention and related health concerns
- ◆ To advocate for a healthy quality of life for everyone



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"Health is Not An Individual Achievement, But A Community Responsibility"

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OUR HISTORY

MAWSAC, The Meriden and Wallingford Substance Abuse Council, Inc. belongs to a statewide system of public/private partnerships known as Regional Action Councils (RAC). Founded in 1992, MAWSAC is an independent, non profit 501(c)3 agency which contracts with other groups for operating funds. Our major work is done for the CT Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services as their local prevention resource arm. We also contract with community based agencies and obtain private grants and awards to fund our various activities.

MAWSAC is charged with identifying local needs and service gaps for substance abuse and related health and social problems. We focus on prevention activities and promote collaborative efforts to develop solutions.

MAWSAC volunteer members are people from all walks of life – your neighbors, friends and fellow citizens who are working together to solve community problems and create a healthier quality of life for everyone to enjoy.

OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAWSAC's success is "community inclusiveness" -- our members bring a variety of talents and experience to the challenge of substance abuse and related health and social problems. Our efforts include...

- Development and distribution of drug and alcohol awareness materials and presentations to groups, service agencies and at community events.
- Advocacy campaigns on drug prevention and related health and social concerns that maintain awareness of local needs.
- Collaborative efforts to develop services and creative programming that make the best use of existing resources.
- Technical assistance, programming and resource development that promotes grassroots prevention and encourages people to make health related behavior changes.
- Participation and leadership in collaborative efforts to secure funding for local health and human service programs.
- Active membership in community coalitions that provide health and human services.
- Networking services that promote local access to statewide and regional resources

OUR VISION

MAWSAC is part of a process of community prevention of substance abuse through the development of healthier communities and life style choices for everyone in Meriden and Wallingford. With your help, we can continue to work on a vision of the future where there is...

- Community systems and groups that promote individual and community responsibility for the well being of all.
- Increased effort to identify needs. Improve access to treatment, and help service providers to offer the highest quality health and human service care possible.
- Enhancement of our ability to attract funding and support for new services and make the most efficient use of existing local resources.
- Growth of our tradition of neighbors joining to solve community problems.