

# Coordinator's Report

Jackson County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition

November 2009

## SNAP-SHOTS ON ALCOHOL AND DRUGS IN JACKSON COUNTY

- Jackson woman killed in crash on U.S. 127 in Liberty Township (alcohol involved)
- Jackson's first medical marijuana clinic opens
- Grass Lake man, 50, remains in hospital after single-vehicle accident (alcohol involved)
- Portion of I-94 shut down after vehicle strikes semi-truck, damages portion of median (alcohol involved)
- Jackson County woman pleads guilty to armed robbery
- 52-year-old Blackman Township man dead of apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound after police approach with OWI arrest warrant
- Four teenagers taken to Allegiance Health after single-car crash; driver cited for operating while impaired
- Boater from Jackson charged with operating a vehicle occupied by a minor while under the influence of drugs

## RESOURCES AND NEWS

### **2008 Drunk Driving Audit reveals a decrease in alcohol-related offenses, but increase in drug involvement**

Overall fatalities resulting from alcohol and/or drug-related crashes decreased slightly from 381 in 2007 to 379 in 2008. However, traffic deaths involving drugs jumped 43 percent from 98 in 2007 to 140 in 2008. In 2008, 47,251 alcohol and drug-related driving arrests were made, a drop of more than 2,600 from 2007. More than three times as many men as women were arrested for impaired driving offenses, with 35,508 men arrested compared to 11,743 women.



In Jackson County there were 7 alcohol and/or drug-related fatalities, 125 injuries, and 84 crashes in 2008. On average in Jackson County, there are 7 alcohol and/or drug related fatalities, 121 injuries and 91 crashes a year. (5-year average)

### **Effective September 12, 2009 – Standard and Enhanced Personal Identification (PID) Cards get a New Number**

Currently, all PID cards contain an 11-character identification number. PID card numbers are generated using the Soudex coding system, which uses the individual's name, date of birth, and other identifiers to generate the number. The new updated number will have 13-characters. Existing PID cards with an 11-character number will continue to be valid. The 11-character number will not be phased out until 2013. Formerly, the 11-character number changed when a person's name or date of birth was corrected. The new 13-character number will not change.

## COALITION ACTIVITIES

- Most Teens Don't campaign
- ATOD-Free Brochure circulated
- School toolkit presentations
- Congratulations to FSCA and BBBS for receiving the Governor's Discretionary Grant!

## UPCOMING COALITION MEETINGS

- Nov 23.....ATOD, 11:00-12:15, UW
- Nov 26-27.....United Way Closed
- Dec 9.....JCSAPC, 1:00-2:30, UW  
Fun Fact Finders, 2:45-4:00, UW
- Dec 10.....United Way Volunteer Recognition,  
4:30-6:00, Michigan Theatre
- Dec 14.....Strategic Planning, 12:00-1:30, UW
- Dec 24–Jan 3.....United Way Closed