

**Ravalli County DUI Task Force Plan  
July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017**

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## **RAVALLI COUNTY DUI TASK FORCE PLAN JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017**

### **Introduction:**

The Ravalli County DUI Task Force was created in the mid 1990's as allowed by 61-2-106 MCA. Our diverse membership, education and enforcement programs has developed a solid Task Force with many accomplishments. Our mission is to promote a healthier and safer environment for county residents by reducing the number of alcohol/drug related traffic crashes and underage drinking as well as increasing the use of seat belt usage through public education, awareness, legislation, enforcement and collaborative strategies.

**Program Administration/Coordinator's Responsibilities:** A yearly plan with objectives and strategies requires administrative planning and coordination as well as accounting services. Items of responsibility for the Coordinator include but are not limited to:

- Writing, implementing and monitoring the DUI Task Force Plan;
- Administering DUI overtime hours with Law Enforcement Agencies as well as other DUI Activities, and to act as fiscal manager for the budget;
- Quarterly and year end reports, chairing the quarterly DUI Task Force meetings; keeping records and minutes of DUI Task Force activities;
- Serving as liaison to the media, citizens, Commissioners, State Highway Traffic Safety Bureau, Law Enforcement and others.

**Membership:** Consists of the following 10 voting members:

- Glenda Wiles has served as the DUI Task Force Coordinator since 1996. Her background includes eighteen years in Law Enforcement at Chico P.D., (California); one year as an Operative for Consumer Affairs (Sacramento, California); two years as an instructor at Butte Junior College (California) and 23 years as the Administrative Assistant to the Ravalli County Commissioners. Email: [gwiles@rc.mt.gov](mailto:gwiles@rc.mt.gov) Office phone: 375-6500. Cell: 381-3131
- Deputy County Attorney Angela Wetzsteon received her Bachelors of Science in Communication Studies at the University of Idaho in 2004. She then worked as a legal assistant at the Ravalli County Attorney's Office assisting the attorneys in prosecuting DUI cases. She graduated from the University Of Montana School Of Law, with honors, in 2008. During her studies she continued to work at the Ravalli County Attorney's Office and regularly tried DUI cases as a student intern. In 2009 she was hired as a Deputy County Attorney and now prosecutes all felony DUI and violent crime cases. Angela also developed and instructs a courtroom testimony course at the Montana Highway Patrol Advanced Academy twice yearly, routinely provides law enforcement training, and assists in the 'Cops in Court' trainings across the state. Email: [awetzsteon@rc.mt.gov](mailto:awetzsteon@rc.mt.gov) Office phone: 375-6750.
- Sheriff Chris Hoffman has served over 29 years as a Law Enforcement Officer and is in his fourth term as Sheriff. Email: [choffman@rc.mt.gov](mailto:choffman@rc.mt.gov) Office: 375-4060. In Sheriff Hoffman's absence, his liaison is Cpl. Jacob Auch with an email: [jauch@rc.mt.gov](mailto:jauch@rc.mt.gov)

- Tamra Winchell attended the Montana Law Enforcement Academy in 2003 and was hired on with the Great Falls Police Department as a patrol officer. In 2005 she began her career as a Trooper with the Montana Highway Patrol, now having served as a Trooper for 11 years. Tamra was also the victim of a DUI crash near Darby. Her patrol vehicle was rear ended at a high rate of speed and the other driver fled the scene on foot. Since then she has endured many struggles related to the injuries incurred. Her email address is TWinchell@mt.gov
- Chief Probation Officer Clint Arneson has been serving the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial District in Ravalli County since 2005. Office phone: 375-6805
- Bonnie Peterson is a citizen who is the survivor of a drunk driving crash that killed her husband; she was severely injured as were other family members. She is now married to a local church pastor and is involved in pastoral issues in the south valley. Email: [bonniepeterson88@hotmail.com](mailto:bonniepeterson88@hotmail.com)
- Nanette Seltzer is a Prevention Education Specialist with Western Montana Addiction Services. Email: [nseltzer@wmmhc.org](mailto:nseltzer@wmmhc.org) Office phone: 532-9149
- Lt. Steve Snavely of Hamilton Police Department. Steve served in the Navy prior to becoming an Officer with the Hamilton Police Department in 1996. He served as a reserve officer, was hired as a patrol officer and has since been promoted to Lieutenant. Office phone: 363-2100. Email: [lieutenant@cityofhamilton.net](mailto:lieutenant@cityofhamilton.net)
- Katelyn Lester is the victim of a drunk driver and nearly lost her life, now suffering lifelong disabilities from the crash. She is a young mother of one child and has been helping to educate Ravalli County youth with our Impaired Driving Education Program. Cell 262-902-6084 Email: katelveli@yahoo.com
- Lynne Claassen is a citizen member and after graduation from a local high school, Lynn worked at the Scottsdale, Arizona, Police Department for ten years. After moving back to Montana she was the Court Administrator for both the City of Hamilton and Ravalli County Justice Court. She currently works at Boatwright Law Office in Hamilton for the past 13 years. Email: [lynneinmontana@aol.com](mailto:lynneinmontana@aol.com) Phone 406-381-0665.
- Lyndsay Stover is the Montana Tobacco Use Prevention Coordinator working out of Rava.....

**Meeting Schedule for 2016 - 2017:** These are tentative dates for our quarterly lunch time meetings that are held in the Commissioners Conference Room, 215 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite A, Hamilton. The public is invited to attend. All meetings are posted with the newspapers, as well as on the county web site and on the weekly Commission agenda which reflects various community meetings. This public notice meets 61-2-106 (2) of the MCA. Meetings reflect our current activities, the need for new activities and or strategies which are discussed and voted upon by the members.

- September 22, 2016 - Thursday
- December 15, 2016 - Thursday
- March 16, 2017 - Thursday
- May 18, 2017 - Thursday

**Ravalli County Overview:**

We are a rural county in Western Montana covering 2,394 square miles located just south of Missoula County to the Idaho border. Many of our citizens work and recreate in Missoula and Ravalli Counties. Our population is estimated at just a little over 41,000 people with 4,644 people located in Hamilton which is the county seat. Our county is nearly 100 miles long with many small communities from one end to the other. Each community has a diverse population with two main state routes that run north and south through the county (State Route 93 as well as State Secondary Route known as Eastside Highway). These routes are heavily traveled with many collector roads, driveways and farm approaches intersecting them, thus creating dangerous routes. Wildlife is abundant, and many deer strikes are apparent as you travel the roads.

US 93 from Hamilton to Missoula as one of the high crash enforcement corridors with a newly posted speed limit of 70 MPH. We have many rural roads, many of which are gravel and are at a distance from emergency services thus increasing the chances of fatalities and severe injuries.

### **Montana Highway Patrol Statistics specific to Ravalli County**

2009: total crashes for Ravalli County - 497 with 27 impaired driver crashes (5%)  
2010: total crashes for Ravalli County - 537 with 32 impaired driver crashes. (6%)  
2011: total crashes for Ravalli County - 642 with 40 impaired driver crashes. (6%)  
2012: total crashes for Ravalli County - 578 with 45 impaired driver crashes. (8%)

#### **2013:**

Fatal Crash: 8  
Injury Crash: 162  
Prop. Damage Crash: 450  
Total Number of Crash: 620

Fatal DUI Crash: 3  
Injury DUI Crash: 23  
Prop. Damage DUI Crash: 28  
Total Number of DUI Crash: 54  
(9%)

#### **2014:**

Fatal Crash: 5  
Injury Crash: 142  
Prop. Damage Crash: 518  
Total Number of Crash: 665

Fatal DUI Crash: 3  
Injury DUI Crash: 20  
Prop. Damage DUI Crash: 16  
Total Number of DUI Crash: 39  
(6%)

#### **2015:**

Fatal Crash: 3  
Injury Crash: 127  
Prop. Damage Crash: 613  
Total Number of Crash: 743

Fatal DUI Crash: 2  
Injury DUI Crash: 14  
Prop. Damage Crash: 16  
Total Number of DUI Crash: 32  
(4%)

#### **2016 through 4/30/16**

Fatal Crash: 0  
Injury Crash: 43  
Prop. Damage Crash: 190  
Total Number of Crash: 233

Fatal DUI Crash: 0  
Injury DUI Crash: 4  
Prop. Damage Crash: 9  
Total Number of Crash: 13

Our Impaired Driving Fatalities are consistent; the Impaired Driving Injuries and Non-Injuries are down.

**Montana Department of Transportation Crash Database specific to Ravalli County**

Because of Ravalli County’s high speed corridor, our focus will continue to remain on reducing alcohol and drug impaired traffic and increasing the awareness of seat belt usage through education and enforcement.

All Crash Data:

2013 – 8 fatalities (3 of which were DUI); 47 serious injury; 832 no injury; for a yearly total of 1,109

**2014 - 5 fatalities (3 of which were DUI); 40 serious injury; 940 no injury; for a yearly total of 985**

Our crash comparison to the state wide numbers holds a consistent percent – and our county is down a bit on fatalities, and serious injuries.

Impaired Driver Involved Crash:

2013 – 3 fatalities; 4 serious injury; 22 no injury; for a yearly total of 27

**2014 - 3 fatalities; 11 serious injury; 25 no injury for a yearly total of 39**

This shows an increase in serious injuries for impaired vehicle crashes.

**Justice Court Filings for DUI:**

**(These do not reflect other courts of record such as Darby, Hamilton, Stevensville)**

The DUI Filings for 2010 are as follows:

- DUI first offense 106
- DUI second offense 24
- DUI third offense 5
- Felony DUI 23
- .02 DUI 2

The DUI Filings for 2011 are as follows:

- DUI first offense 100
- DUI second offense 22
- DUI third offense 5
- Felony DUI 15
- .02 DUI 0
- Aggravated 4 (began in 2011 legislative session)

The DUI Filings for 2012 are as follows:

- DUI first offense 61
- DUI second offense 20
- DUI third offense 4
- Baby DUI 1
- Felony DUI 15
- .02 DUI 0
- Aggravated 34 (Total 134)

The final DUI Filings for 2013 are as follows:

- DUI first offense 96
- DUI second offense 31
- DUI third offense 3
- Felony DUI 19
- .02 DUI 0
- Baby DUI 3
- Aggravated 17 (Total 169) (14.08 per month)

The DUI Filings for 2014 are as follows:

- DUI first offense 79
- DUI second offense 19
- DUI third offense 9
- Felony DUI 3
- Baby DUI 6
- Aggravated DUI 1
- Narc/Drugs 2 (Total 119) (9.91 per month)

The DUI Filings for 2015 are as follows:

- DUI first offence 97
- DUI second offence 24
- DUI third offence 11
- Felony DUI 28
- Baby DUI 1
- Aggravated DUI 24
- Narc/Drugs 6 (Total 192) (16 per month)

The DUI Filings for 2016 (through 5-13-2016) are as follows:

- DUI first offense 29
- DUI second offense 11
- DUI third offense 2
- Felony DUI 10
- Baby DUI 1
- Aggravated DUI 19

- Narc/Drugs 6 (Total 78) (17 per month)

Comparing 2014 and 2015; 2015 was a much higher year for the totals, averaging 16 per month and almost 20 more first time offenders. The biggest alarm is the number of aggravated DUI's between 2014 and 2015 (22 more in 2015), as well as the Narc/Drugs use, which was 4 more in 2015 than 2014. Current to May 13, 2016, our aggravated DUI's are already at 19 which is only 5 less than 2015, and our Narc/Drugs are already at the same amount with only 5 months into the current year.

**As I visit again this year with Judges, Law Enforcement Officers and Prosecuting Attorneys, all agree there are more DUI's with other drug impairment than in years before, and they see the number of DUI arrests staying up due to the increased training and awareness of younger more aggressive officers that are recognizing the signs of DUI Offenders on the roadways.** The use of alcohol and drugs is not helped by the low economic base in Ravalli County.

#### **Compliance checks:**

Plan year 2011: two compliance checks were held by checking a total of 37 stores and bars which resulted in 4 sales to minors.

Plan year 2012: two compliance checks were held by checking 51 stores with 8 sales to minors.

Plan year 2013: we held one compliance check in bars in the middle of the afternoon. Two minor operatives were utilized with the assistance of our Drug Enforcement Team headed up by the Ravalli County Sheriff's Office. Thirteen bars were checked with two sales in Stevensville bars.

Plan year 2014: we held one compliance check on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Eighteen stores and bars were checked on the north side of valley and four sales resulted, one of which was in a bar.

Plan year 2015: Hamilton PD completed a compliance check of eleven stores with three sales. The Ravalli County Sheriff's Office is planning a late May or June compliance check in the county jurisdiction.

Plan year 2016: Ravalli County Sheriff's Office completed a compliance check on March 17, 2016. Eight businesses were checked and four sold. That compliance check was highly disappointing due to the continued RASS Training by Western Montana Addiction Services and several RASS Trainers.

Plan year 2017: will include letters from the DUI Task Force to all establishments in Ravalli County reminding them of the RASS Training available to their employees at a nominal cost. **It is a never ending job to train clerks and servers because their employment is not static.**

### Minor In Possession of Alcohol

Ravalli County Youth Probation files the following citations:

Calendar year 2009: 62 MIP's were filed.

Calendar year 2010: 71 MIP's were filed. Out of those 71, 49 were first offenders, 13 were second time offenders and nine were third time offenders.

Calendar year 2011: 56 MIP's were filed. Out of those 56, 42 were first time offenders, 12 were second time offenders and 2 were third time offenders.

Calendar year 2012: 38 MIP's were filed. Out of those 48, 35 were first time offenders, 9 were second time offenders, and 4 were third time offenders.

Calendar year 2013: 46 MIP's were filed.

Calendar year 2014: 39 first time MIP's were disposed of.

Calendar year 2015: 18 first time MIP's were disposed of.

Data again this year from the MT Prevention Needs Assessment shows approximately 50% of Ravalli County 8<sup>th</sup> graders have drunk alcohol in the last 30 days. 8<sup>th</sup> Graders report they have taken a sip of alcohol by the age of 11; some have used alcohol regularly at the age of 12 and marijuana at the age of 12. **One issue the DUI Task Force will review this coming year with the school personnel, as per their request, is expanding our DUI Program into the younger classes of 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders. We will work in tandem with our Addiction Counselors, School Administrators/Teachers as well as our Chief and Deputy Juvenile Probation Officers to develop such a program.**

Again, Deputy Chief Probation Officer Clint Arneson indicates "Prevention on numerous fronts" are the keys to keeping these numbers low. As seen in the Ravalli County Youth Court Services Annual Report to Judge Langton and Judge Haynes, "Statistics for underage drinking in Ravalli County have steadily declined over the years, most likely due to increased educational awareness such as the Impaired Driver Education and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Classes, changes in attitudes about underage drinking through town hall meetings, stricter enforcement, concurrent prevention programs provided in the schools with grants from non-profit agencies such as the Community Coalition as well as the use of underage "Decoy" buy programs conducted by the DUI Task Force over the last several years as well as unified court reporting in Ravalli County." **Our**

**MIP numbers are significantly down again this year, attributed to active engagement in the schools.**

**Ravalli County’s liquor license numbers:**

In 2013 our total license number was 100 with a break down as follows:

- All beverage - 19
- All beverage fraternal - 2
- All beverage with catering - 24
- Off premise beer - 1
- Off premises beer/wine – 26
- On premises beer and wine - 11
- On premises beer and wine w/catering - 1
- On premises restaurant beer and wine - 11
- Off premises restaurant beer and wine w/catering - 5

In 2014 our total license number is 108 with two pending and one nonuse license, for a total of 105 in active status.

In 2015 our total license number is 108 with four nonuse license, for a total of 104 in active status.

**City of Hamilton DUI Filings:**

This is the first year we have obtained DUI Stats from the City of Hamilton. Hamilton is the County Seat for Ravalli County, also the location of our two Justice Courts, two District Courts, the Ravalli County Courthouse, Sheriff’s Office and Detention Center with an approximate population of 4,594. **Hamilton is the home to many bars and casinos, and Hamilton’s Police Officers are, according to Lt. Snavelly, better trained in the detection of DUI’s; Officers are ARIDE Certified with two Drug Recognition Experts on staff. Lt. Snavelly also notes they are pro-active in DUI enforcement around the bars. Law Enforcement Officers, both City and County are also engaging the students in Government Classes, and as they are educated, the kids today are not so focused on DUI’s but other law enforcement issues.**

In 2015 the DUI numbers are:

DUI charged:	107
Cases still pending:	9
Defendant deceased before disposition:	3

Of the DUI cases disposed:	
DUI convictions:	80

DUI 1	51
DUI 2	15
DUI 3	3
DUI 4 (Transferred to county for prosec.	2
Aggravated DUI	9

As you can see, for such a small department and small geographical area, compared to the Justice Court filings which are county wide, the Hamilton Police Officers are very aggressive in finding DUI Offenders.

**24 X 7 Sobriety Program Stats:**

Ravalli County Sheriff’s Office started the 24 X 7 Program in mid-2014. While housed at the Sheriff’s Office in Hamilton, the program is administered by Community Supervision Alternatives, located in Missoula, Montana.

For 2015 and current to May 19, 2016:

Total Tests Run:	20,765
Total Passed PBT’s	20,593
% Passed	99.60%
No Shows	117
Total Participants	97

As of this plan year, I don’t feel there are enough numbers in for comparison. Final numbers for 2016 should give us the ability to review and see how the program is working.

**Ravalli County DUI Task Force Program Goals:**

As per our DUI Task Force Membership and with approval of the Ravalli County Commissioners our FY 2017 goals of the Ravalli County DUI Task Force remain the same as our previous years:

- Continue efforts to reduce unlawful drinking and driving by deploying overtime law enforcement patrol in order to apprehend DUI Offenders, purchases of alcohol by minors as well as walk through bar checks for over service and minors;
- Continue to support education programs within the schools to eliminate unlawful alcohol and substance use/purchase and driving;
- Continue a media campaign designed to educate the community on the dangers of drinking and driving as well as other substance abuse.
- Provide opportunity for officers and task force representative to receive training relative to alcohol and drug prevention, education, court room testimony and enforcement;

- Continue to provide RASS trainings to retail industry not only for serving alcohol to minors but for over service of alcohol as well;
- Continue education for seat belt usage by partnering with the state programs

**Specific Programs for the Ravalli County DUI Program:**

**1) Policy and Legislation:**

**A) Objective:** Increase probability that impaired drivers will be subject to swift, sure and appropriate sanctions.

**Strategy:** Continue our review of pending legislation and research, and bring pertinent information to the Task Force; Maintain communication with other members of DUI Task Forces, Legislators and Staff at the State level for information and support of DUI laws.

**Method:** Communicate with legislators and constituents with information in order to enact sound laws that can withstand the challenges in court.

**Timeline:** On-going, but pertinent during the legislative session and to members of our community.

**2) Enforcement:**

**A) Objective:** Increase risk perception of being arrested and convicted for DUI.

**Strategy:** Support efforts for Law Enforcement Officers.

**Method:** Fund DUI Overtime shifts for patrol activity which include traffic and walk thru bar checks with various law enforcement agencies in Ravalli County. The DUI Task Force Coordinator will monitor the overtime hours and collect necessary information and arrest data from participating agencies.

**Timeline:** Budgeted monies are available when the State grants formal approval for continuing the DUI Task Force. However, carry over monies in the budget can be spent to continue the O.T. enforcement until the DUI Task Force Plan is approved by the state. For a second year, agencies will not receive a specified amount of monies for the Fiscal Year. Rather, an amount will be set aside for overtime runs and each agency will be required to request funding for specific dates and events. The reason for this change is better control of the overtime monies for purposed events (i.e., local events; holidays).

**B) Objective:** Increase and enhance patrol presence in areas where juveniles congregate and use alcohol and other drugs.

**Strategy:** Support efforts of law enforcement officers – by seeking grants for the deterrence of underage drinking and purchase of alcohol.

**Method:** Fund overtime shifts for kegger patrol activity

**C) Objective:** Increase the difficulty for minors in their ability to purchase alcohol through the use of compliance checks.

**Strategy:** Support efforts of law enforcement officers.

**Method:** Fund overtime compliance checks for law enforcement officers. The Ravalli County DUI Task Force will provide funds to local law enforcement agencies for these checks.

**Timeline:** We will attempt a minimum of two compliance checks per plan year, but this is subject to the time frames available with our law enforcement agencies.

**D) Objectives:** Purchase supplies for law enforcement agencies; purchase supplies for DUI Task Force Quarterly working lunch meetings; and provide cell phone stipend for DUI Task Force Coordinator.

**Strategy:** Support efforts of law enforcement officers, DUI Task Force Members and Volunteers.

**Method:** Purchase supplies such as PBT's and associated equipment; intoxilizer gas, mouthpieces, intoxilizer tubes, cameras for law enforcement officers and agencies; purchase of lunch for quarterly working meetings for DUI Task Force Members, guests and volunteers; purchase of plaques and or certificates for Award Ceremonies and or events for volunteers and law enforcement/court officials; purchase cell phone stipend for DUI Task Force Coordinator; and purchase office supplies such as letterhead, postage etc.

**Timeline:** Quarterly lunch meetings for DUI Task Force Members and guests (working sessions); Ongoing purchases during the plan year for supplies and cell phone stipend.

**3) Education/Awareness:**

**A) Objective:** Assist in providing information on the Responsible Alcohol Sales Training (RASS for local merchants) which includes not only the sales to minors but the over service of alcohol issue as well.

**Strategy:** Assist in providing RASS training to local merchants and bars in regard to laws governing the sales of alcohol to minors as well as the issue of over service (Over service as per 16-6-304 MCA)

**Method:** The Ravalli County DUI Task Force will continue to utilize Member Trainer, Katelyn Lester for this training. Some funds may be utilized from the DUI Task Force for mileage.

**Timeline:** Training will be provided as time allows and as the store and bar personnel request such training.

**B) Objective:** Impaired Driver Education Program (IDEP) within the Driver Education Classes at local high schools and IDEP for community education.

**Strategy:** Support the local driver education teachers and students in learning about impaired driving by giving them hands on experience behind the wheel to see the effects of visual and coordination impairments. This is by far the most successful of our endeavors and is widely known throughout the valley and asked for at many community and school events.

**Method:** The Ravalli County DUI Task Force will provide funds necessary to operate IDEP for these classes in the valley high schools and outreach to various community groups such as 4-H, Scouts. IDEP includes the use of a Yamaha Rhino and course set up where the student will drive the course in an un-impaired mode and impaired mode (Fatal Vision Goggles TM) The Rhino is taken to each community and high school by way of a cargo trailer. Law Enforcement Officers also attend these impaired driving programs working with the students on the issues of impaired driving. (Note: during times of inclement weather, this program also supports the use of a Law Enforcement Officer – which a Montana Highway Patrol Officer – has visited numerous driver education classes).

**Timeline:** Provide ongoing IDEP to driver's education and community groups throughout the year as requested. (These numbers are approximate and may be off by 1-5 students due to illness or absence).

Year One: 193 students through the program.

Year two: 350 students through the program.

Year three: 585 students.

Year four: 478 students and adults through.

Year five: 637 student and adults.

Year six: 406 students through the program.

Year seven: 579 students and adults.

Year eight: 368 students through the program.

Year nine: January through May 2015 we have ran 395 students through the program

Year ten: January through May 2016 we have ran 384 students through the program.

These figures do not include the 'in class room instruction' taught by a Montana Highway Patrol during inclement weather.

**C) Objective:** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Classes for middle school students

**Strategy:** Support 8<sup>th</sup> grade students as they transition into high school by providing them with tools that will help them make good choices.

**Method:** The Ravalli County DUI Task Force will provide funds necessary to continue with the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Program. A full range of classes including: MOCK Trials; IDEP; Law Enforcement Officers; Insurance Agents; Probation Officers; EMT's and other Medical Personnel; Guest Speakers who are crash victims of Drunk Drivers as well as those who drove drunk and killed or severely injured an innocent person; Guest Speakers with expertise in how the body assimilates drugs and alcohol; Guidance Counselors; Classes on Internet Crimes Against Children and motivational Guest Speakers are included in this program.

Our speakers connect with the youth, expressing their concern for their welfare. The classes are geared toward positive youth development which helps students realize their strengths to make good choices as they transition into high school where they will make more decisions for themselves which have a greater impact on others.

**Timeline:** April of each year.

Year one: in this program was at Corvallis Middle School where approximately 130 students were reached.

Year two: of this program included Corvallis and Lone Rock Schools where 170 students were reached plus over 667 students were able to hear the Guest Speaker who was a Drug Enforcement Officer from the State of Oregon.

Year three: included Corvallis, Hamilton and Victor which reached over 300 students for the full program and over 1,000 students heard our motivational speaker from Florida.

Year four: we reached over 1,100 students with our assembly and over 200 at Florence, Lone Rock, Darby and Corvallis.

Year five: Hamilton, Florence and Corvallis Middle Schools enjoyed the full program which totaled 358 students. Five other schools benefited in the school assemblies with our guest speaker on alcohol poisoning which totaled 1,114 student.

Year six: Florence, Darby and Corvallis schools participated in the full day program with 230 students participating. 1,376 students heard our motivational speaker from Tennessee.

Year seven: Stevensville, Corvallis, Victor and Lone Rock participated in full or half day programs with 150 students participating. 1,093 students heard our motivational speaker from Texas.

Year eight: Stevensville, Lone Rock, Corvallis and Darby participated in our full program which totaled 395 students. A total of 833 students heard our motivational speaker from Tennessee. Our numbers were down slightly this year due to a conflict on the state school testing dates. Also in year eight, we held our first Mock Trial at Darby Middle School which is something new for us. We utilized the Darby Court, with a local Attorney acting as the judge. Students were tutored by Prosecuting Attorneys from the Ravalli County Attorney's Office and the State Public Defenders Office. They watched an actual video of a Hamilton Police Officer making a car stop and subsequent arrest of an intoxicated driver as well as the Intoxilizer Machine and Officers notes for Field

Sobriety. Students were broken into groups of prosecution, defense and jurors to pass down a verdict. The group of students came back with a guilty verdict. Blood Alcohol on the defendant was 1.26. The students enjoyed sitting in the courtroom with a judge, law enforcement officers and attorneys as they learned the Montana Code for the elements of a DUI and sentencing.

**It is also worthy to note the DUI Task Force received a \$7,500 grant in April, 2015, from State Farm Insurance Company (Good Neighbor Citizenship Grant Award) to help us pay for our guest speakers for this year's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transitions Program. This was an **awesome gift** that again allowed us to partner with our schools, providing for numerous guest speakers, from Tennessee, Kalispell, Montana, Missoula, Montana, and our valley law enforcement, probation and emergency medical technicians.**

Year nine: Stevensville, Lone Rock, Corvallis, Victor, and Hamilton participate in our full program which totaled 400 students. A total of 1,130 students heard our motivational speaker from Kansas, Judge Webb, who was phenomenal. We were also invited back this year to Darby for a second Mock Trial which reached 45 students. These numbers do not reflect the number of staff that were also present.

**For second year, our DUI Task Force received another \$7,500 grant in April 2016 from State Farm Insurance Company (Good Neighbor Citizenship Grant Award) to help pay for this program!**

**D) Objective:** Support Designated Driver Programs

**Strategy:** Provide promotional material for designated driver programs on a local level.

**Method:** Providing promotional materials such as posters, newspaper, radio, and TV public service announcements. Much of the materials can be obtained at no cost from the National Highway Safety Traffic Bureau. Public service announcements can also be obtained at no cost. Posters and miscellaneous information are hung on hallways of our county buildings.

**Timeline:** Ongoing throughout the year and to coincide with national promotional dates and the holiday season.

**E) Objective:** Increase public perception that impaired driving will result in arrest.

**Strategy:** Support a comprehensive year-round public information and educational campaign to enhance deterrence by increasing the knowledge and awareness by the general public. These campaigns help to change attitudes which modify certain negative behaviors such as drinking and driving.

**Method:** Providing information, assistance and funds necessary for other education programs. Paid advertising such as billboards, radio and televisions will also be necessary for public perception. A video of our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Program can be found on our web site at [www.rc.mt.gov](http://www.rc.mt.gov) (go to Public Safety – click on the DUI Task Force and watch our video). This helps educate the public and seeks community partners for funding. Also like us on Facebook with some links to television stories of our recent Front Line Forum Breakfast and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transitions class at Corvallis Middle School.

**Timeline:** Ongoing throughout the year, and to coincide with high-risk times such as graduation, Holiday Seasons etc.

- 4) **Evaluation:** With the help of our community partners; law enforcement, courts, school counselors/teachers/administrators/ and mental health servers, as well as State information found in the Comprehensive Traffic Safety Plan and Objectives, we build our strategy and then conduct assessments by the use of surveys, independent assessments such as the Youth Risk Behavioral Survey and Prevention Needs Assessment for Ravalli County, and Youth Court Annual Report to determine the effectiveness of our strategies.

### **BUDGET: JULY 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2017**

In order to help develop our DUI Task Force Plan and Budget specific to Ravalli County, we have reviewed the Montana Department of Transportation Crash Database; Montana Highway Patrol Statistics, Montana Prevention Needs Assessment; Ravalli County Justice Court Statistics, Hamilton City Court/Hamilton Police Department Stats; Compliance Check Statistics, and Minor in Possession statistics.

From discussions in our quarterly meetings, Ravalli County DUI Task Force Members agree we need to continue our Impaired Driving Education Program in the Schools and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transitions Program which are our largest events, as well as where we have the most dollars invested in our infrastructure of the Trailer, Rhinos, Trailer Infill and salaries for IDEP Workers, Class Room Instructors and Assembly Speakers. We will also continue with the Over-Service education (Public Service Announcements; (RASS Training for sales to minors and Over-Service; Overtime for law enforcement; Training and Supply Purchases.

**HB 132 Monies:** This year our budget will reflect an additional \$3,000 in advertising which will be specific to our Over-Service Public Service Announcement. These additional monies (as well as the original \$3,500 to produce and run PSA's in November, December and January) will come from the \$10,950 our Task Force received from HB132. That leaves us a balance of \$4,450.00 from the HB monies. Last year our plan was to utilize a significant portion these monies on a 2-day Highway Safety Regional Training Course. However timing could not be worked out. We will resurrect this training possibility for the 2017 plan and also utilize a portion of our contingency money for the training course. Items of instruction will be specific to drug impairment/and reduced fatality on our highways and roads and will include: New strategies;

Treatment and DUI Offender Court; Legislative updates for DUI Laws; Electronic search warrant; Courtroom testimony; Drug interdiction on our highways. POST credits will offered and approved by POST Director Perry Johnson. Invitations will be state wide to all law enforcement officers. While present for this 2-day training, the Law Enforcement Officer and Drug Interdiction speaker from Oregon (Gary Cima of Bend, Oregon - The Frontline Warrior) has also agreed to an evening meeting with various leaders and teachers in the community.

It is estimated that approximately \$20,000 will be deposited into the Ravalli County DUI Task Force budget by the State, through the driver's license reinstatement fees. Our DUI Task Force will have approximately \$40,000 in funds that will be rolled over into FY2017 and will be utilized for our normal expenditures as well as any future projects and or line item over expenditures as approved by the DUI Task Force. Our Task Force has roughly \$20,000 of equipment invested in our IDEP Program, and carry over funds are important to sustain this program in case of a 'lean year' of revenue. It is one of our most important educational tools for impaired driving and buckling up.

**As noted State Farm Insurance "Good Neighbor Grant"** donated \$7,500 to the DUI Task Force for a second year. These monies are being utilized specifically for our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Program that occurred the end of April as well as our "Frontline Forum – Breakfast" held with over 100 law enforcement, court personnel, prosecutors, mental health workers, counselors and community workers as well as Impaired Driving Education Programs in the schools and community. Breakfast attendees included Law Enforcement from as far away as Yellowstone County Sheriff's Office, Helena and Kalispell. Monies spent included our class room speakers, IDEP Course, and Assembly Speaker Judge Tommy Webb of Kansas with a program entitled "You Can Make a Difference". Judge Webb was the best received speaker we have ever hosted. The students and teachers loved his message as well the attendees at our Breakfast. I have included a DVD of Judge Webb in our Plan Year for your review.

After our breakfast, Department of Revenue, Alcohol Education Coordinator Lisa Scates held a 3 hour Liquor Training Class for several officers from Darby, Ravalli County Sheriff's Department and City of Hamilton.

Go to our 'Ravalli County DUI Task Force' Facebook Page and click on the links to the news links for KECI TV to see news casts of our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transitions Program and Frontline Forum Breakfast (links posted April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 13<sup>th</sup>).

Daniel Loske, Public Affairs Specialist of State Farm Insurance Co. will be given an accounting of the donated monies, and Mr. Loske has already indicated any leftover monies from the grant can be utilized for future IDEP activities, which includes next year's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transitions – April 2017. We plan to write another request for Grant monies from State Farm Good Neighbor Grant this coming year as well.

### **Annual Report to the Commissioners on March 31, 2016:**

DUI Task Force Coordinator Glenda Wiles, Justice Court Judge #1 Jennifer Ray, Deputy Probation Officer Clint Arneson, and Hamilton Police Lieutenant Steve Snavelly presented an

annual report to the Commissioners on March 31st. Commissioners meetings are now on Granicus Video and can be watched by going to the Ravalli County Website [www.rc.mt.gov](http://www.rc.mt.gov) go to the bottom of the home page and under Quick Links, click on Commissioners Live Streaming. You can then find the video of March 31, 2016, and watch the report which is the second item on their daily agenda. A review of the Task Force Activities was made as well as the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Program and Frontline Forum Breakfast, as well as an update on the current budget and Plan Year 2017.

**Revenues:**

Revenue Anticipated (Driver’s License Reinstatement Fees :	\$20,000
Cash Carry Over approx.	<u>\$40,000</u>
Anticipated Budget for FY 2016	\$60,000

**Expenditures:**

1) Administration/Coordination: (Coordinator Glenda Wiles estimates her time to be valued at \$3,000 and will be donated back – see below)	<b>\$3,000</b>
2) Enforcement: OT funds for Montana Highway Patrol; Ravalli County Sheriff’s Office, Darby Police Department, Hamilton Police, Stevensville Police	\$8,000
Salaries and wages for other full time personnel	\$2,000
Employer Contributions	<u>\$ 700</u>
	<b>\$10,700</b>
Compliance Checks	<b>\$1,500</b>
3) Education:	
• RASS Materials and Mileage/ACT Mileage (Speakers)	\$ 250
• IDEP (Impaired Driving Education Program)	\$4,000
• 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Transitions	\$6,000
• Public Perception (TV, Radio, Billboards)	<u>\$7,500</u>
	<b>\$17,750.00</b>
4) Promotional Materials	
• IDEP Promo (for school programs and community events)	\$ 400
• Other promo materials obtained at no charge from gov't agencies	<u>0</u>
	<b>\$ 400</b>
5) Training Specific to Enforcement/Prosecution/Members	<b>\$1,000</b>

6)Supplies:		
• Intoxilizer gas, mouth pieces, tapes, office supplies		\$3,000
• Cell Phone: Stipend for Coordinator (annual)		<u>\$ 300</u>
		<b>\$3,300</b>
7) Meals/Lodging/mileage for travel: state meeting, regional meetings & lunches for quarterly DUI meetings		<b>\$1,000</b>
8) Rhino Maintenance: Batteries, oil, filters or any need for repairs		<b>\$ 500</b>
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>		\$39,150
<b>Less Coordinator Salary</b> (donated back to DUI Task Force specifically for IDEP)	-	<u>\$ 3,000</u>
		<b>\$36,150</b>
Total <b>Revenue</b> Anticipated (reinstatement fees)		<b>\$20,000</b>
Cash <b>Carry over</b>		<u><b>\$40,000</b></u>
		\$60,000
Less Expenditures	-	<u><b>\$36,150</b></u>
<b>Estimated balance left over</b> for contingencies and other projects the DUI Task Force Members might approve throughout the year.		\$23,850

In closing Ravalli County thanks the State of Montana for developing this program under Montana Statutes. We believe the time and money spent in our community makes it a safer place to live and travel in. Included with the plan are a few newspaper clippings of our activities.

Thankyou,

Glenda Wiles