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I am brand new to the coalition and excited to get involved in my community of Waukegan.	A county network of professionals with similar goals to use as idea resources	Scott Nadean				<a href="mailto:snadean@waukeganparks.org">snadean@waukeganparks.org</a>
We're building two new facilities in close proximity to six schools in Vernon Hills and several in Libertyville. The building are slated to be finished in the next year and once done we'd like to make our libraries a resources for kids after school form tutoring to video game tournaments.	Help getting a program started.	Evin Maassen	PR Manager	Cook Memorial Public Library District	847-362-2330	<a href="mailto:emaassen@cooklib.org">emaassen@cooklib.org</a>
Girl Scouts has various topic specific, outcomes based programs that can be brought to areas throughout lake county IL. Topics include leadership development health and fitness environment awareness stem science technology.	MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO COLLABORATE	Connie Willegal	Regional Vice President	Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana	847-573-0500	<a href="mailto:cwillegal@girlscoutsgcnwi.org">cwillegal@girlscoutsgcnwi.org</a>
Before winter break we had a dinner and Christmas party for the less fortunate.	Sponsors that could help us with our money situation			Mundelein After School Coalition		
Every year our school has a Christmas party for the less fortunate families. It's a blessing to help these families and make sure they have a great Christmas.	We can get more students to help in our community, which will help our community succeed.	Chelsea Manaligod		After School Coalition		
I feel we have had many successes through this club at our school. We plan fun activities such as dances and Christmas parties that joins the community together.	I believe all we need is more people to join this club in order to expand on the great things we achieve each year.	Kaitlin Mooney		Mundelein After School Coalition		
The first event I did with MASC was a dance; it felt so good to help these kids get involved and have a safe environment to hang out.	I believe that all we need is more students to help with the program and also be involved at events	Allie Bulgart		Mundelein After School Coalition		
The relationship gained from being a part of the coalition and learning what other coalitions are doing and how Lake County is a leader and far ahead of other coalitions.	Getting more involvement from different cultures in our community.	Tony Glogovsky		Mundelein Police Dept		<a href="mailto:tglogovsky@mundelein.org">tglogovsky@mundelein.org</a>
Help out at the dances.		Ashley Parola				

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Our school (Carl Sandburg) is involved in the Mundelein After School Coalition. We help with dances and events. We also go to monthly meetings. Both are very successful. I love being a part of the Mundelein After School Coalition and I know everyone else involved feels proud to be a member as well.		Melissa Lavin	8th grader	Carl Sandburg		
We have had 51 parents involved in our Focus program for 5th/6th grade in North Chicago. They participate in a 5 session (10 hours) parent-child connectedness program -very interactive, very positive involvement among the parents who have expressed the success they've seen in their relationships with their pre teens following this program.	Would be great if we could have something on the website that categorizes initiatives/programs so anyone could contact them for ideas.	Pat Garrity		Lake County Health Dept	847-377-8187	<a href="mailto:pgarrity@lakecountyil.gov">pgarrity@lakecountyil.gov</a>
Through NIC, Baxter Healthcare is happy to support the After School Coalition, the programs for students, and the wonderful message which is spread to the community.	Working with Karen Smith to bring information to parents in our organization.	Becky Morgenstern		Work/Life Baxter Healthcare	847-948-3737	<a href="mailto:morgenb@baxter.com">morgenb@baxter.com</a>
Two years ago I asked my principal if I could have a blanket drive. She said yes!! I announced it on the loudspeaker.	Learning more about what other student groups are doing.	Maria Spring	Cougar Cabinet	John T. Magee Middle School		
Our Cougar Cabinet is an advisory board to the principal. We brainstorm ideas for events and brainstorm solutions to school-wide problems.		Justin Ouk	Cougar Cabinet	John T. Magee Middle School		
All the panels that have been brought to Abbott have been really successful.	Continue to find ways to connect with our parents. Let's keep looking for ways to work together.	Lesli Marasco		Abbott	847-935-7507	<a href="mailto:lesli.marasco@abbot.com">lesli.marasco@abbot.com</a>
Our company is holding a parent training on Adolescents at Risk and what parents should know and do to support youth health and wellness and keep them from risky behaviors.	This support of working parents helps them conveniently learn what they should know or want to know more about.			Hewitt Associates		
The Alive at 25 program is expanding to Mundelein High School. There is statewide reduction of teen death, especially due to graduated Driver Licensing Laws.	Being able to have support from the schools.	Peggy Miller	Director	Judicial Services CLC	847-543-2101	<a href="mailto:pcmillier@clcillinois.edu">pcmillier@clcillinois.edu</a>

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CLC Judicial Services is proud to continue our NSC Alive at 25 defensive project with area high schools. We also were pleased to attend the National Underage Drinking Prevention Conference in Nashville with local youth.	Please let everyone know about the programs we offer, including the Live Victim Impact Panel for DUI offenders and other interested parties.	Lisa Daniels	Training Coordinator	Judicial Services CLC	847-549-2748	<a href="mailto:ldaniels@clcillinois.edu">ldaniels@clcillinois.edu</a>
There is a 4-H after-school club placed in Jefferson Middle School that meets every Friday from 2-4 pm to work on Community Projects and fundraiser ideas. The volunteer teacher/leader is Estella Rodriguez who is so instrumental in working with these youth and planning events and field trips.	Receiving funding to help provide material and fees that are needed to continue to have and place more 4-H clubs in schools as an after-school site!!	Vickie Brown	4-H Youth Educator	U of I Extension	847-223-8627 Ext.24	<a href="mailto:viceez@illinois.edu">viceez@illinois.edu</a>
Girl Scouts has had the opportunity to work with middle schools in Waukegan. We recently completed a program at Jefferson Middle School (6 weeks) in which we focused on self esteem.	It would be helpful or us to gain access to the Round Lake School District. They changed their policy recently which doesn't allow us to meet with the girls during the school day.	Angela K. Baldwin	Membership & Program Specialist		847-573-0500 Ext. 2527	<a href="mailto:akaye@girlscoutsqcnwi.org">akaye@girlscoutsqcnwi.org</a>
I worked with A-May-Zing Mundelein and I loved how it brought joy to the faces of everyone who was helped.	More volunteers.	Danielle Pullano		Santa Maria del Popolo School		
As an adult leader in the After School Coalition, I am able to see, first hand, the awesome work MASC achieves. The A-May-Zing Mundelein event was a great opportunity for the children to help their community and network with other children wanting to make good choices.		Mary Fitzgibbons		MASC		<a href="mailto:m4k@comcast.net">m4k@comcast.net</a>
The Deerfield Police Dept. and Park District hosted an Annual Mudfest for teens in our community. Mudfest involves mud volleyball, tug-o-war and a pie eating contest. We also have encouraged volunteerism in the middle schools by finding institutions such as Alzheimer's facilities who are open to youth involvement on a regular basis. Deerfield also has a history of police social workers and counselors who counsel and work with families in need. These families are self referred, school referred or referred through the police dept.				Deerfield Police Social Services	847-945-3120	<a href="mailto:gzachar@deerfield.il.us">gzachar@deerfield.il.us</a>

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"The Choice Is Yours" social norms campaign, a collaboration between Vernon Hills H.S. and the Lake County Health Dept., has reduced alcohol use by 5Y and tobacco use by 4Y! between 2006-2008. The campaign has also been selected to present at the 2009 National Social Norms Conference.		Liz Nelson		Lake County Health Department	847-377-8774	<a href="mailto:enelson@lakecountyil.gov">enelson@lakecountyil.gov</a>
When my group was working at A-May-Zing Mundelein, you could see how it brought smiles to their faces as we helped the elder that needed it.	More people and youth volunteering.	Alex Rodriguez		Santa Maria del Popolo School/MASC		
School dances involving the entire Mundelein-area school districts for 6-8 grade students. Attendance of over 400+ students shows that this activity is extremely successful.	Greater support with the funding of this and other types of activities.	Daniel Christensen	Associate Principal		847-949-2707	
We continue to do work as partners with schools/agencies in prevention. Our experiential programs help create meaningful change for kids--in treatment programs and in non-treatment based youth development.	Let's keep the energy going in support of one another's efforts.	CJ		Lake Omni Youth Services	847-353-1500	<a href="mailto:clocke@omniyouth.org">clocke@omniyouth.org</a>
At UCAN, our in-home therapy targets children and families in the foster care system. We are a champion in Lake County returning numerous children home already this year! Many agencies are only office based, but UCAN meets families where they need it most...at home!	Networking with area agencies more.	Ken D. Costa	LCPC Psychotherapist	UCAN	847-362-2111 Ext. 35361	<a href="mailto:dallacostak@ucanichicago.org">dallacostak@ucanichicago.org</a>
We (SMACHE) do a number of after school programs and special events of youth and teens with disabilities.				Special Recreation Assn. Of Central Lake County	847-816-4866	
As a new member of the LCASC, Response has been pleased to meet so many in Lake County dedicated to helping youth. Response has been able to serve thousands of Lake County youth this year through our outreach, counseling, and Teen Clinic Services. We are looking forward to creating new partners in the Lake County area.	We are always looking to collaborate with other organizations and to help in any way.	Jeremiah Hawkins, LCSW	Assistant Director	Response	224-625-2901	<a href="mailto:jeremiahhawkins@jcfs.org">jeremiahhawkins@jcfs.org</a>
We help organize dances and after school activities that keep kids busy during the danger hours.		Corinne Hart		Mundelein After School Coalition		

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	Have more guest speakers to share their stories and how they dealt with school, drugs, and alcohol.	Daniella Kalume		Round Lake Middle School		
Another student and I from Round Lake Middle School got to go on the Radio (98.3fm) to talk about alcohol awareness and the Be the Change! program at our school.	We could use someone to talk to our classmates and to help us with drug and alcohol awareness.	Naomi Kalume		Round Lake Middle School		
It has been a great pleasure to work with students who are passionate about the topics and are willing to participate in change.	Having access to the coalition will be a great support to our group.			Round Lake Middle School		
Pilot programs in-school and after school at 15 sites, including Diamond Lake, Waukegan, N. Chicago, and Zion. Also, pilot soccer and scouting athletic programs in Mundelein and Round Lake.	We could benefit from better/more partnerships, with other schools in Lake County, particularly Elementary Schools . These are the heart of our program.	Kim Weidner		Northeast Illinois Council Boy Scouts	847-748-9157	<a href="mailto:kim.weidner@scouting.org">kim.weidner@scouting.org</a>
Just keeping kids safe afterschool.	Networking for new ideas and successful teen dances.	Kari Cowart	Senior Program Director	Lake County Family YMCA	847-360-6922	<a href="mailto:kcowart@ymcalakecounty.org">kcowart@ymcalakecounty.org</a>
	Years ago the special needs committee was a well organized group. WSRA would benefit from this type of exposure. We provide a wide variety of after school opportunities for individuals with disabilities.	Brenda Zeck	Executive Director	Warren Township	847-244-6619	<a href="mailto:bzeck@warrentownship.net">bzeck@warrentownship.net</a>
The Gurnee Teen Center recently started a Destination Imagination Program, which enables kids of different abilities to engage and work together to achieves goals.	Grants for the enhancement of services and communication skills.	Joe Doyle		Warren Township	847-244-1101 Ext. 451	<a href="mailto:joed@warrentoenship.net">joed@warrentoenship.net</a>
Friday Nite Alternative-FNA, is a dance/pizza night offered to middle school kids within our community. The dances are once a month and cost \$10-\$15 for the school year. There are 8 dances a year.	Stay focused on middle school kids. This age group is the ideal target to carry the message through high school and into their communities.	Amy Hernandez	Director	Teen Center Warren Township	847-366-9728	<a href="mailto:amysline@comcast.net">amysline@comcast.net</a>
Word of Life coordinates a breakfast program for elementary students who don't always get a healthy breakfast. We work at the O'Plaine school in Gurnee, providing food and interaction.	This program could be centralized for Gurnee or a larger area with coordination of resources, volunteer, purchasing and storage.	Jim Beze		Word of Life	847-816-9653	<a href="mailto:wordoflife2020@sbcglobal.net">wordoflife2020@sbcglobal.net</a>

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Teen game nights for grades 7-12 on Thursdays from 6:30-8:30pm. Monthly teen activities for grades 7-12 on Friday from 4-6pm. New juggling club once a month for grades 4 & up from 6:30-8:30 pm on Mondays.		Rebecca Ingram		Youth Service Fremont Public Library	847-918-3210	<a href="mailto:raingram@fremontlibrary.org">raingram@fremontlibrary.org</a>
We have a teen advisory board that meets monthly at the library to plan different activities and have lots of fun. Our membership is around 50, mostly 7, 8, 9 graders. We have after hours events also.	We also support the MASC by posting event flyers at the library and on our website and we also recently created a blog for the MASC.	Maggie Masterson		Fremont Public library		<a href="mailto:mmasterson@fremontlibray.org">mmasterson@fremontlibray.org</a>
We hosted an after school coalition event where we did a 3 on 3 basketball. I had a great time helping there and getting to know others. I'm sure that all the kids had a good time.	I would say having more things for the kids to choose to do after school.	Jannet Villarreal		Mundelein High School After School Coalition		
For Halloween we always go to the middle schools to play games with the little kids. We have helped the community by strengthening the kids spirits and trying to keep them off the streets.	The dances we always have are very good. I think we could advertise the MASC a little bit more.	Veronica Micek		Mundelein High School After School Coalition		
Mundelein After School Coalition continued the tradition of the Annual Christmas/holiday party. As a group, we worked hard to supply presents for those families who couldn't afford them. The joy we get for helping less fortunate families is great.	Donations of presents and decorations to give even more to the families as well as support and community recognition would benefit as very well.	Krina Aduikari		Mundelein After School Coalition		
We have succeed in creating a dedicated team of highly compelled student devoted to strengthening and guiding the youths of our community through action and volunteerism.	More opportunities for youth events and the ability to provide these supportive events through increased resource availability and community recognition.	Sam Weeks	MASC		847-949-4208	<a href="mailto:samian1291@gmail.com">samian1291@gmail.com</a>
Creation of a strong team dedication together through activism and volunteerism.	Continue monetary support and community recognition.	Michael Azzarello		Mundelein After School Coalition	847-708-8550	
Overall, having a hard working, dedicated team of teens & adults to support our youths.	More advertising at the lower school levels to get more kids involved & more local business and citizen support for our activities.	Khushali Rami		Mundelein After School Coalition		

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Throughout the year and summer we had held various of dances in middle school. These dances are held so that students aren't being active with drugs.	The dance are very successful a lot of students attend the dances which keeps them away from drugs.	Maurilio Delbosque		Mundelein After School Coalition		
In Waukegan, N. Chicago, Mundelein, and Highwood we have worked with the school to create an In school scouting program for underprivileged youth that would not otherwise have the chance	Access to move underprivileged schools in the county and volunteers to run the program	Carl Bobis	Senior District Executive	Boy Scouts	847-7489146	<a href="mailto:carl.bobis@scouting.org">carl.bobis@scouting.org</a>
The school dances that our club has taken part in has not only inspired people to join but it also brought smiles to kid's faces and they offered opportunities for younger kids to avoid alcohol or drugs.	The club members help spread the word and not only does spreading the news around but help if it's a open door invite.			Mundelein After School Coalition		
Partnering with Schuler Scholar Program was a success. They needed meaningful curriculum for their weekly sessions with high school juniors for teamwork & problem solving skill development we mentored their Scholar Coaches and enabled 12 teams o develop confidence in their creativity and innovation skills.	Partnering with organizations who want to engage youth as well as supplement learning in/out of school time (STEM. 21st Century skills, etc.). We train and mentor your staff and/or provide special events/camps to bring this global program to your neighborhood.	Diana Baldi	Far North Regional Director	Illinois Destination ImagiNation, Inc.	847-682-4093	<a href="mailto:diana@innovationtrainer.com">diana@innovationtrainer.com</a>
At Diamond Lake School District 76, we have soccer and scouting; this program allows us to have K-4 s play soccer year round. After the kids play soccer, we have the parents playing soccer 1 night, then the youth playing soccer the other night. This program runs two nights a week( for the whole year), At the same time, we have meetings/seminars for the parents on different topics.	Good role models to talk to kids and parents, mainly Hispanic good role models as our kids are Hispanic. Invite Professional players.	Del Parra		Diamond Lake School Dist. 76	847-970-3537	<a href="mailto:dparra@d76.lake.k12.il.us">dparra@d76.lake.k12.il.us</a>