Grand Forks Police Department

Alcohol Prevention Programs
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Confronting Alcohol Issues:

- Three tiered approach:
  1. Education.
  2. Enforcement.
Education:

- **Schools:**
  - **Elementary Schools:**
    - “Winning Decisions”
      - Influences and Consequences to their actions.
      - The dangers of using drugs, alcohol, and violence.
  - **Middle Schools:**
    - GREAT
      - goal-setting
      - decision-making
  - **High Schools:**
    - Instructing on legal issues (Drugs/DRE/Alcohol) during 24 health classes.
Education:

- **Media Releases:**
  - Enforcement efforts.

- **ND State PSA.**

- **Committee Memberships**
  - Such as SAPC (Substance Abuse Prevention Committee).
Enforcement Efforts:

- Extra DUI enforcement.
  - Average of 240 extra hrs.
- Underage Drinking enforcement.
  - Average of 380 extra hrs.
- Source Investigation for Underage Drinking.
  - Additional Investigation on how youth got their alcohol.
  - Parking lot surveillance.
  - Average of 200 extra hrs.
- Alcohol Compliance Bar Checks.
  - Minimum of Quarterly Checks.
Due to past policy review and changes the following have occurred:

- **Server training mandated.**

- **GFPD assigned a Community Resource Officer to oversee alcohol related issues.**
  - Cpl. Dan Braaten.

- **Liquor license review and background checks annually and the development of computer system to track licenses (and violations) more efficiently.**

- **Development of new City Code:**
  - Example: Determination of Disorderly Premise (City Code 21-0611)
  - Three strikes system to deal with large loud parties which led to underage drinking.
Results: Server Training and Compliance Checks!

GRAND FORKS COMPLIANCE CHECK RATES FROM 2000 TO 2013

*In Grand Forks, compliance rates increased 13.5% (76.9% up to 90.4%) after a mandatory server training ordinance went into effect.
Results: DUI

DUI Numbers by Year:

# of Citations:

2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012
Results: Loud Parties:

Loud Party Numbers by Year:

# of Parties:
0 100 200 300 400 500 600
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012
Changing Culture?

- Takes time.
  - Think about the following examples:
    - Attitudes on cigarettes and secondary smoke.
    - Drinking and Driving.
    - Eating Healthy and Exercise.

- The City of Grand Forks is making consistent progress and will continue to focus on Alcohol Issues.
Thanks

Questions?