**Problem Statement #1:**

Alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use continues to be a problem among youth and adult citizens of Vanderburgh County.

 Goals:

1. Reduce the impact of alcohol and drug related illicit/criminal activity in Vanderburgh County.
2. Youth and adult participants of programs supported by the SAC will report an increase of awareness of the risk of substance abuse.
3. Youth and adult participants of programs supported by the SAC will report a decrease in use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs after participation in the program.

Objectives:

 1. Resources for personnel to enable the investigation, prosecution, and monitoring of juvenile and adult offenders will be provided.

 2. Establish baseline data for all arrests for alcohol and drug related offenses.

 3. Support increased resources for the public defender’s office, prosecutor’s office, and probation departments for handling drug and alcohol related cases.

 4. Support increased resources for local law enforcement agencies and other organizations in combating criminal activity related to alcohol and other drugs.

 5. Provide funding to agencies that provide prevention education and evidence-based programming for at-risk populations.

 6. Provide resources for agencies that have goals of reducing the risk factors prominent in Vanderburgh County.

 7. Enhance knowledge by providing free educational opportunities regarding substance use and co-occurring conditions in a variety of settings in Vanderburgh County.

 8. Change social norms regarding youth alcohol consumption using social marketing and community initiatives.

Problem Statement #2:

Access to the treatment services for youth, adults and families, especially for the underinsured, uninsured and at risk population’s results in the non-delivery of services in Vanderburgh County.

Goals:

1. Increase access to care by decreasing barriers such as transportation, financial, and health, resulting in a 5% increase of number of those served by addiction treatment and a 5% increase of those who complete addiction treatment programs.

Objectives:

 1. Provide financial support for programs that provide services to the uninsured and underinsured in Vanderburgh County for all levels of services.

 2. Provide financial support to programs that provide both housing and referral services for those with mental health and addiction issues.

 3. Enhance collaboration with other community coalitions working on related issues such as domestic violence, homelessness, and medical treatment for the under and uninsured.

Problem Statement #3:

Due to the merging trends related to substance use and advances in methods and evidence based practices for the identification, prevention, and treatment of additions and co-occurring disorders, there is a need for frequent educational opportunities and trainings for professionals.

Goals:

1. Availability of education presentations and training opportunities for professionals will increase in Vanderburgh County.

Objectives

 1. The SAC will provide training for at least 100 community professionals on trends in addiction/co-occurring disorders, law enforcement and prevention strategies.

 2. To provide funding to agencies to provide trainings to staff and other community professionals on trends in addiction/co-occurring disorders, law enforcement and prevention strategies.