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*RE: Military representation for the Webster County Iowa Partnership for Success Collaboration Council*

Community and Family Resources, as the Comprehensive Substance Abuse Prevention service provider for this area, received the Iowa Partnerships for Success (IPFS) Grant from the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH), funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP). Through epidemiological data Webster County has been identified as one of 20 counties meeting the “highest need” criterion for underage drinking and youth binge drinking rates among 12-20 year olds. Because of this heightened awareness of the problem, the IPFS grant will give us the opportunity to impact the negative, and make a positive difference, in the lives of Webster County youth, ages 12-20. This grant requires all stakeholders to join together to work with residents and business owners to reduce underage drinking and youth binge drinking throughout Webster County, as well as youth suicide prevention.

The military population has been identified as a segment of the population that we would like to have at the table to assist with the IPFS grant. The IPFS Collaboration Council will come together once a month to assist in providing guidance in the following areas:

- Assessing community need
- Building the community’s capacity to work on reducing underage drinking and youth binge drinking amongst 12-20 year olds
- Selection of evidence based strategies
- Implementation of evidence based strategies
- Evaluating outcomes

To represent the military sector of the Webster County IPFS Collaboration Council, you can be an active duty, or veteran of any branch, a spouse, parent, grandparent or child of a person in any branch of the military.

To receive more information about the Webster County IPFS project or to become a part of the Collaboration Council, please contact Mickie Shubin, IPFS Coordinator, at [mickies@cfrhelps.org](mailto:mickies@cfrhelps.org) or 515-576-7261 ext. 1405.

Through the work of the IPFS Collaboration Council and with the help from individuals in Webster County, we can come together to make positive changes in our community

