

IDAHO METH PROJECT

NEWSLETTER

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Today is National Meth Awareness Day!



Methamphetamine is a stimulant that delivers an intense high, making users feel euphoric, powerful and desperate for the next hit. This highly-addictive drug can quickly take over a user's world: school, family, friends, eating and sleeping all become less important than scoring more Meth. With 26 million worldwide users, the United Nations' 2006 World Drug Report called Meth "the most abused hard drug on earth." According to a recent study by the RAND Corporation, Meth abuse cost the United States about \$23 billion in 2005. On November 30th, National Meth Awareness Day, educate the people you care about on the horrific physical, social, legal and personal consequences of Meth use.

Volunteer of the Month Savanna Beddoes

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While we have so many deserving volunteers and the decision is always difficult, this month's award is one that is easy and long overdue. Savanna Beddoes has been a volunteer with the Idaho Meth Project since 2008, and has participated in every booth and presentation from Lewiston to Grangeville (and small towns in between).

Most recently, Savanna shared her story with the students of Culdesac School in Culdesa and Highland School in Craigmont. She fielded some tough questions and facilitated an informative dialogue with the students and teachers.

Many District 2 events would not have been possible without Savanna's willingness to jump in wherever needed. She exemplifies what it means to be an Idaho Meth Project volunteer, and we are incredibly thankful to have Savanna as a spokesperson for the "Not Even Once" message.

Upcoming Community Outreach Events

On an ongoing basis, the Idaho Meth Project is involved in a variety of community events and presentations to educate young people and parents about the realities of Meth use. Following is a list of several of the upcoming events where Idaho Meth Project volunteers will have a presence. Please let us know if you have additional ideas on activities the program should be involved in - we are constantly seeking ideas for outreach opportunities and welcome your input!

- **December 1-2** - Presentations at Columbia High School (Nampa)
- **December 10** - Presentation at Robert Stuart Middle School (Twin Falls)
- **December 11** - Presentation at Oakley High School (Oakley)
- **January 19** - Wave III launch media event (Idaho State Capitol - Boise)
- **January 20** - Coeur d'Alene Free Family Forum
- **January 21** - Coeur d'Alene Tribe Free Family Forum (Coeur d'Alene Tribal Wellness Center - Plummer)



- **January 27** - Givin' Meth the Boot Fundraiser (Coeur d'Alene Resort, Coeur d'Alene)
- **February 3** - Pocatello Free Family Forum (Pocatello)

Real Stories From Idahoans

Age: 20

Gender: Female

Location: Boise

I knew that meth was bad, my parents had done it my whole life, and my dad was and still is serving a ten year prison sentence for trafficking meth. I have never done it myself but I had grown up around it and I knew what it did to people. Then when I was 18 I met and fell in love with a 25 year old man that I worked with me. Even though I knew that he had been addicted to meth I still thought he was a great guy. After I turned 19 we found out that I was pregnant. I moved in with him and everything was going great. I started college and he continued to work. Then we became broke and he said that he had a second job and that's why he wasn't home that much anymore. Me knowing the signs I knew what he really meant by that. He started using very heavily and it scared me so bad. I moved out and we talked now and then and I always gave him money, even though I knew what he was doing with it. I was 6 months pregnant when I got the phone call. He had a heart attack and now I'm raising our baby on my own because he is too sick and weak to help. Even though I have never done meth it has changed my life so much.

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