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GENERAL INFORMATION:

Location: In-person classes take place at Valley Youth House (3400 High Point Blvd., Bethlehem, PA 18017).

During Covid-19, we have been offering classes virtually as well.

Class times: Days and times vary. Participants will be notified of class assignments by e-mail and/or U.S. mail.

Fees: You may pay with a personal check or money order made out to "Valley Youth House." Payments should be mailed to the address above. You may also pay by credit card by calling Ashley Dallas at 267-930-4092.

** Please note: All fees must be paid in full before the magistrate will be notified of your completion status.**



THE YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE PREVENTION OF DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS

OFFERS THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS...

CHOICES: Behavioral Awareness Program for Disorderly Conduct, Harassment, and Criminal Mischief

DECISIONS: Alcohol/ Other Drug Awareness Program for Underage Drinking and Public Drunkenness

MAC: Marijuana Awareness Class

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WHAT IS "DECISIONS"?

DECISIONS is a court- approved ARD program that satisfies legal or school requirements for charges of underage drinking and/or public drunkenness in a meaningful way. It is an educational program in which facilitators instruct, support, and encourage youth and young adults to examine their alcohol/other drug use. The program provides participants with information and resources to avoid further, more serious problems. Additionally, it helps them to identify the behaviors that got them into trouble and assists them to develop useful behavior modifications for the future.

HOW DOES DECISIONS WORK?

Decisions is a 12-hour program typically divided into two 6-hour Saturday/Sunday sessions, or four 3-hour weeknight sessions. Small groups of 6-15 individuals, ages 23 and under, meet with a facilitator. The program can also be adapted to other formats. The Public Drunkenness component requires an additional three hours of work to be completed independently.

Fee: \$150.00 (Underage Drinking)

Fee: \$195.00 (Public Drunkenness)

Reschedule Fee: \$30.00

WHAT IS "(CHOICES"?)

CHOICES is a court- approved ARD program that satisfies legal or school requirements for charges of disorderly conduct, harassment, or criminal mischief. It follows an educational format in which facilitators instruct, support, and encourage participants to examine their attitudes and behaviors which led to their referral to this behavioral awareness program. The program leads youth and young adults to a better understanding of their individual risk factors as well as the information and resources that will assist them in avoiding more serious problems in the future.

HOW DOES (CHOICES) WORK?

Small groups of 6-10 people, ages 23 and under, meet with a facilitator in four 3-hour sessions or two 6-hour weekend sessions. Participants are assigned to age-appropriate classes. The program can also be adapted to other formats.

Fee: \$120.00

Reschedule Fee: \$30.00

WHAT IS "MAC"?

Marijuana Awareness Class (MAC) is an educational awareness program for youth ages 18 and under. The program helps participants to better understand the effects and dangers of marijuana use.

HOW DOES MAC WORK?

Small groups of 6-8 people, ages 18 and under, meet with a facilitator for one 2-hour session.

Fee: \$45.00

Reschedule Fee: \$20.00