Washington State Incentive Grant

Community Project Description

Community Project: Orcas Island Prevention Project Lead Agency: **Orcas Island School District**

Abstract

The Orcas Prevention Project, coordinated by Family Resources of Orcas Island, was awarded State Incentive Grant Funds each year for three years to reduce the factors in its community which put its youth at risk for alcohol, tobacco, marijana, and other drug abuse and misuse.

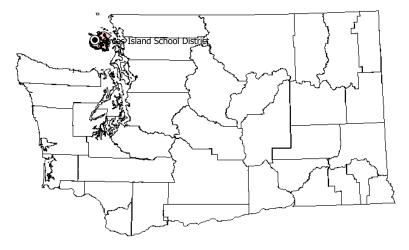
The risk factors assessed on Orcas Island include the ease with which youth can get drugs and alcohol and the attitude that the community has toward youth substance use and peer pressure. The community will also focus on increasing the factors which protect the youth from substance abuse, including increasing their skills to make good decisions about use. The project will also provide services to parents to learn how to help their children.

The primary prevention activity being introduced through this grant is the establishment of a Boys and Girls Club to provide much needed after-school activites. Incorporated in the Club program will be Boys and Girls Club SMART (Skills Mastery and Resistance Training) program, which has received national acclaim

The project plans to serve upwards of 250 youths and families.

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