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The purpose of the Denver Alliance on Tobacco and Health coalition is to rally communities disparately affected by tobacco to reduce tobacco-related use and illness in the City and County of Denver.

DATH Member Highlight

As a long-standing member of the DATH coalition, the Tobacco Education Program at Denver Public Health has had a very busy and productive year in tobacco prevention, education, and cessation activities.



The fiscal year for the program is always July 1st through June 30th. The program worked on 35 specific objectives and more than 155 activities to accomplish those objectives. Highlights include:

Health Disparities

- Participated in more than 50 meetings with community members and groups representing Disparately Affected Populations
- Strategic plan development/assistance for each of the 10 identified Disparately Affected Populations

Community Outreach

- Worked directly with more than 230 community organizations and agencies on prevention, education, capacity-building, secondhand smoke exposure reduction and elimination, cessation, and research.

Policy includes:

- The Colorado Clean Indoor Air Act
 - * provided training, education and technical assistance on enforcement and exemptions
- Youth
 - * Tobacco Free Schools Law; Bacchus Network
- Helped to educate & provide technical assistance on implementing Tobacco Free Campus policies
 - * hospitals
 - * worksites
 - * colleges
 - * multi-unit housing (condos, apartments, & town homes)
- Provided education for a Denver Ordinance prohibiting smoking on sidewalks surrounding hospital campuses, passed 8-5.
- Developed and assisted with the development of "Good Neighbor Policies"

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newsletter!

DATH Member Highlight...continued

Provided Training in the Community

- Provided 55 trainings in the community including The American Cancer Society's You can Quit Facilitator Training; Motivational Interviewing, Tobacco Cessation for persons with mental illness; ONE Step; Tobacco Free Policies; 5 A's; and Citizen's Police Academy and COP shops, etc.

Tobacco Education Staff

- Staff attended 31 trainings in the community.

For more information about the program, please contact any of the staff listed in the column to the left.

Colorado Quitline

<http://www.coquitline.org>

Colorado Quitline Denver County Call Activity List (calls to the Quitline from Denver Residents)

- * June: 583
- * July: 499
- * August: 512



Whether you are thinking about quitting tobacco or have already quit, the QuitLine is here to help you. If you're not sure you are ready, the QuitLine has information you can read as well as some tools to help you decide when you might be ready.

Calendar

October 23, 2008

- * Denver Smoke Free Housing Forum
Denver, CO <http://www.dath.org>

November 12-13, 2008

- * 2008 Colorado Chronic Disease Conference
Colorado Springs, CO
<http://www.regonline.com/chronicdisease>

November 20th, 2008

- * DATH Coalition meeting—Fishbowl
12-1:30pm at Denver Health Hospital
- * The Great American Smokeout—National
- * Denver Health goes tobacco free—Denver
- * Denver sidewalk city ordinance goes into effect-Denver

