

### **Characteristics of a Successful Coalition**

- ☑ Has a written strategic plan with measurable objectives to reduce, prevent, and treat substance use.
- ☑ Disseminates a regular report detailing the community's strategy and the progress being made to reduce substance use.
- ☑ Generates funding from diverse sources to fund general coalition-building activities.
- ☑ Has a strong project director who employs a shared leadership style that fosters active involvement of others in leadership positions.
- ☑ Maintains stable participatory/governance bodies with representatives from a variety of community institutions to monitor and direct the coalition's activities.
- ☑ Collaborates with local government officials and policy makers.
- ☑ Makes efforts to change public policy that will reduce the harms from substance use.