

Testimonials

What do our parents and supporters have to say about the resources provided at The Partnership at Drugfree.org? Plenty. The following testimonials help to tell the story of the successful outreach and support our organization provides to families of teens with a drug and alcohol problem.



“The one thing parents need to know about The Partnership at Drugfree.org is that the organization exists for them. It exists because we exist...parents or loved ones struggling to save the lives of our loved ones. They are here for us...how amazing that is for so many of us who thought we had to go it all alone.”

— Lorraine McNeill-Popper, Advertising Executive



“We are here to help, not to lecture or judge but to simply help parents navigate the often challenging road of parenting. Additionally, many of us at The Partnership at Drugfree.org are parents just like so many others trying to find the right words to get the conversation about drugs and alcohol started and then how to keep it going.”

— Teri Christensen, Senior Vice President, Director of Field Operations and Alliances at The Partnership at Drugfree.org



“The Partnership at Drugfree.org offers state-of-the-art and highly engaging resources for parents and youth. In kid language, ‘It rocks.’ In parent-speak, ‘It’s just what I needed!’“

– Ken Winters, PhD, Adolescent Expert



“Too often parents are blamed for their youth’s abuse of and addiction to drugs and alcohol, or if not blamed then dismissed or ignored in the treatment and recovery process. I believe this is both a tragedy and mistake of the largest magnitude. Science tells us that parents have a fundamental role in the treatment of adolescent substance abuse; they are not the cause of the problem, but they are key to the solution. The resources at drugfree.org reflect this understanding...parents deserve our respect and compassion, and above all they need access to the highest quality resources in getting the best care for their children.“

– Gayle A. Dakof, PhD, scientist, clinician, and child and family advocate at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine



“How can we protect our children? There are no guarantees and no silver-bullet answers. But the Partnership at Drugfree.org gives us a community to share our experiences and hard-earned knowledge, and together, we can improve the odds. For ourselves and our children.”

– David Sheff, Author of “Beautiful Boy”



“Thank you all so very much for sharing! Indeed, I have been grieving for some time as my only son has gone deeper and deeper into this dark and unforgiving world! Though I have cried many a tear but continue my faith, hope and love. The genuine wisdom shared [on drugfree.org/intervene] is quite helpful and much appreciated!”

– Keith Killgore (comment on Intervene blog)



“The Partnership at Drugfree.org’s PACT360 program is extremely informative and covers all aspects of drug use and abuse. It delivers comprehensive information about every side of the issue, and quite honestly, I wish this program was mandatory everywhere. It could quite possibly save lives and our goal is to have it reach enough people to make a significant impact.”

– Sgt. Jim Cox, Fairfax County Police Department



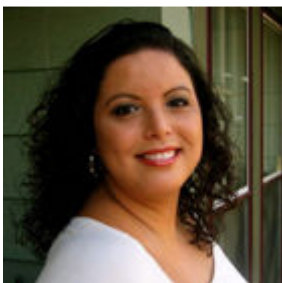
[This website](#) has really helped me to not feel so alone and has given me a lot of good ideas about how to approach things.

– Joy (comment on [Intervene blog](#))



“Parents are not alone in dealing with substance abuse issues. The Partnership at Drugfree.org not only provides concrete tools, but also access to parents and families who have been down this path and can offer their experience, strength and hope.”

– Kim Manlove, [The Partnership at Drugfree.org Parent Advisory Board Member](#)



“What has surprised me most about my experience is how truly vested I am in the organization and how rewarding I find my work to be. I am in my early 30’s and I guess I never expected to be here for over a decade, but the truth is that I have grown and evolved alongside The Partnership at Drugfree.org as the organization has grown and evolved to fit the needs of parents and families we exist to serve.”

– Josie Feliz, [Deputy Director of Public Affairs at The Partnership at Drugfree.org](#)



“ValueClick Media is proud to support The Partnership at Drugfree.org with our contribution of online public service announcements. We believe your efforts to educate the public about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse have made a significant difference in the lives of young people and their families. Our broad reach to Internet users coupled with The Partnership at Drugfree.org’s public education campaigns make a powerful combination when it comes to fighting the epidemic of drug and alcohol addiction.”

— Barbara Jennings, Senior Vice President, Operations, ValueClick Media



“When I read the posts [on drugfree.org/intervene] I immediately thought that these were the most insightful I have read in quite some time. I so enjoy reading posts when well-meaning, experienced and knowledgeable folks get together for a common purpose. I just want to thank each of you for your time and willingness to share.”

— Pat N. (comment on Intervene blog)



“Well-informed parents are the first line of defense in keeping our teenaged children drug-free.”

— John Knight, MD, Director, Center for Adolescent Substance Abuse Research & Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Harvard Medical School



“My own experiences have shown me that I need two types of support: Alanon and helpful friends or blogs such as [Intervene](#). Alanon helps me focus on myself and what I need to be healthy mentally and physically. I can listen and come away with a better sense of myself and know I’m not alone. But I found that Alanon isn’t the solution for the daily problems I face living with an addict. I need support for these details such as; when should I call the police? Should I confront her if I’m suspicious? What do I do about her strange friends that come by to “visit”? For this support, I turn to friends, or advice from others on Intervene who are in my shoes.”

— Susan Lea ([comment on Intervene blog](#))



“As a prevention specialist and parent educator who has been in the field for the past twenty plus years, I want to applaud The Partnership at Drugfree.org on your ability to capture the issues and to create an informative, creative and user-friendly website. Your information is current and timely. I am so please to know that you get it and make it useable for those of us in the trenches. This is some very nice work.”

— Erica Dinerma ([Emailed to The Partnership at Drugfree.org](#))



“I am a mother just recently entering this difficult path. My husband and I are lost when it comes to dealing effectively and rapidly. Thank you for all the information you provide for people like us.”

— Hannah Brown (comment on Intervene)