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## STRYVE Coalition Application

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**Do you want to make a difference in your community? Are you committed to stopping youth violence before it starts? Striving to Reduce Youth Violence Everywhere (STRYVE) needs you!**

STRYVE is a national program of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The purpose of STRYVE is to increase the ability of communities to **prevent** violence affecting young people. Our local effort focuses on North and Northeast Portland.

We are forming a Coalition to develop a comprehensive plan to stop youth violence before it starts. The STRYVE Coalition will begin to meet this October. We will increase our knowledge about primary prevention and study what others communities have done. We will discuss what leads to violence and what we can do to protect against it. Together, we will select strategies that will benefit children, youth and families throughout Multnomah County.

Members of the STRYVE Coalition will meet once a month for 3 hours and will also do about 3-5 hours of work outside of meeting times. We ask members to commit to at least one year commitment to the Coalition. In our meetings, we will use popular education. Popular education is a strategy that has been used around the world. It is based on the idea that all people know a lot as a result of our life experience. Using popular education will help us to balance power and participation on our Coalition. It will also make meetings active and engaging. On the STRYVE Coalition, we will build relationships and learn knowledge and skills that we can use in our future work in our community.

STRYVE is a project of the Community Capacitation Center of the Multnomah County Health Department. It is a partnership with the Youth and Gang Violence Steering Committee (Y&GVSC) of the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council. The STRYVE Coalition will function as a branch of the Y&GVSC.

All potential members of the STRYVE Coalition must complete an application. There are several ways to apply:

- 1) Submit your application in person at 10317 E. Burnside St., Portland, OR 97216
- 2) Send your responses via email to: [rebecca.stavenjord@multco.us](mailto:rebecca.stavenjord@multco.us)
- 3) Submit your application online or with your mobile device at:  
<https://web.multco.us/health/stryve-coalition-application>

If you have questions, please call Rebecca Stavenjord at 503-927-1823.

**Applications are due on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Applicants will be notified by September 28<sup>th</sup>.**

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Address:

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Phone number:

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Email address:

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I prefer to be contacted by:

☐ Phone

☐ Email

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Please answer the following 3 questions on this page or on a separate page. This information will help us begin to get to know you and understand your interest in STRYVE.

**1. Please tell us why you would like to be part of the STRYVE coalition:**

**2. In your opinion, what are the causes of the violence affecting young people? What are the solutions?**

**3. The goals of STRYVE are to:**

- Increase awareness about how to prevent youth violence
- Increase the ability of our local community to prevent youth violence
- Develop and carry out a comprehensive plan to prevent youth violence

**Which goals are you most interested in working on and why?**