

2014 Needs Assessment for Marengo

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Membership list to be sent separately

Accomplishments

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First Priority

Need related to children of this county

Parental Involvement

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
Marengo County Extension Service Churches Head Start Marengo County Health Department	Parenting programs

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

Collaborate with local churches to address parenting issues

Submit resources to "211" and promote the use of "211" in the community

Disseminate "PALS" brochure

Develop "Parent Resource Guide" for print and disbursement

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Second Priority

Need related to children of this county

Substance Abuse

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
West Alabama Mental Health - prevention and outpatient services Community in Action - CPC Grant D.A.R.E. - Linden City and Marengo Academy and Marengo County School Systems Red Ribbon Week - Demopolis City Schools Theo Ratliff Community Center ALANON Marengo County Extension Office	Information dissemination and media campaign Change perceptions of risk WEB page that would direct parents toward available resources Positive Parent network Empower positive peer groups ALATEEN

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

Increase perception of risk and harm in parents and students by media campaign

Create a positive parent network via facebook, web page, etc.

Empower peers in making appropriate choices. Peer leadership team

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Third Priority

Need related to children of this county

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
Ministerial Associations - Linden and Demopolis Bethel Baptist Association Gideon's First United Methodist Church of Demopolis	

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

- Have Ministers and interested lay persons to come together and put together a plan to get more youth involved in religious and faith based organizations
- Compile county wide church resource directory listing addresses, service times and youth group times
- Include above resource guide on a link on the city's web page
- Encourage all media to promote events