



ORGANIZING A TOWN HALL MEETING

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A Town Hall Meeting

Preventing Underage Drinking

When: [Date and time]

Where: [Location and address]

Speakers: [Names of guest speakers or panelists]

Sponsored by [Your organization name]

When people hear the phrase “underage drinking,” they often think of teenagers using alcohol. Nearly 1 out of every 7 10th graders (14.4 percent) and about 2 out of every 7 12th graders (27.6 percent) reported being drunk at least once in the last month.¹

[Insert local statistics.]

The prevalence of underage drinking increases with age, making it more important than ever to begin teaching youth at an early age about the dangers of alcohol.

The purpose of the Town Hall Meeting is to increase community awareness on the issue of underage drinking, identify how underage drinking affects the community, and brainstorm possible solutions. The meeting will provide an opportunity for parents, teachers, officials, youth, and other community members to voice their concerns and suggest ideas for preventing young people from using alcohol.

Tentative Agenda [revise to meet your needs]:

- Registration
- Featured Speaker: [Guest speaker name]
- Panelists: [Insert names]
- Questions and Answers

Underage Drinking Prevention: Town Hall Meetings is a national effort by the Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, to educate youth, parents, caregivers, and other adults about the harmful effects of underage drinking.

For more information, call [Your name and phone number].

¹ National Institute on Drug Abuse. 2008. *Monitoring the Future: National Results on Adolescent Drug Use—Overview of Key Findings. 2008* (electronic version). Retrieved from <http://www.drugabuse.gov/PDF/overview2008.pdf>.