

SPRING IS UPON US AT BEYOND THE BELL

R3 DEKALB/ROCKDALE

R6 UPSON

R5 CITY OF SAVANNAH

Highlights



DEKALB/ROCKDALE

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UPSON COUNTY

MLK Day Service
Youth Leadership Clean
UPson Community Event
UPson Decreasing Alcohol
Sales to Minors in UPson
County
Angeline McGill



CITY OF SAVANNAH

Community Trials: Safe
Bars & Alcohol Service
Campaign and "Consider
The Risk" Window Clings

THE FUN NEVER STOPS!!

Beyond The Bell Focuses on Youth Engagement

January - Race For Peace

February - Gentlemen's Canvas and Conversations

March - Youth Botvin Classes

We celebrated Dr. King's birthday with a race for peace, where our youth had to answer questions about the life and legacy of Dr. King to advance in the race.

We celebrated Black History Month with an evening of Canvas and Conversations with our young men in which we discussed their personal African American role models and their contributions to society as well as their stances on drug and alcohol use.

SPRING INTO ACTION



"EVERYONE CAN BE GREAT BECAUSE EVERYBODY CAN SERVE."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Beyond The Bell Youth Leadership Cabinet stepped up to the plate in an act of service and kindness to celebrate Martin Luther King Day 2021. After gathering donations of nonperishable food, paper goods, frozen bags of chicken, cases of waters and sanitizing products, the group packed more than a dozen environmentally safe reusable gift bags and boarded the Beyond The Bell bus, delivering 6 bags to a single father (who is quarantining but peered out the window and waved). A second family consisted of a young woman who has four children and one on the way. Go Beyond The Bell Youth Leadership Cabinet!



BEYOND THE BELL YOUTH LEADERSHIP CABINET PARTICIPATED IN THE COUNTY-WIDE COMMUNITY CLEAN UP ON SATURDAY, FEB. 6TH, WORKING HARD TO MAKE OUR COUNTY MORE BEAUTIFUL!



Beyond The Bell in Upson County is partnering with the Thomaston Police Department to crack down on alcohol sales to minors in Thomaston. In executing a compliance check of city convenience stores, Police Chief Mike Richardson found that 14 of 21 locations readily sold beer to a minor, a disturbing 2/3 of the stores. Beginning in April, Beyond The Bell will begin shoulder taps on all stores to determine if alcohol is being purchased by adults in the parking lots for minors. Working together, we can reduce these illegal sales and help our youth to stay alcohol-free. Kudos to the 7 stores who refused to participate in illegal alcohol sales to minors!



Thomaston Police Chief Mike Richardson

FEATURED COALITION MEMBER-ANGELINE MCGILL

Angeline McGill was born in Thomaston, Georgia but moved to Newark, New Jersey with her Grandparents. She graduated from J. P. Stevens High School in 1970 and attended Nancy Taylor Business, graduating with a Secretary Diploma in 1971. She secured a Secretarial position with First National Bank of New Jersey in the Municipal Bond Department. In 1974, she moved to San Diego, California; while there, she worked as a Secretary at California 1st Bank Fiduciary Department and as the Human Resources Employee Relations Assistant. In 1975, she accepted a position with the University of California San Diego in Human Resources and was promoted to Diversity Coordinator. Ms. McGill has had the opportunity to experience life in New Jersey, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Nevada, and Maryland to name a few. After many years away from her family, she decided to return to Thomaston in 2001. After serving as a Substitute Teacher, she resigned when elected to the Thomaston Upson County School Board in 2004. Beyond The Bell thanks Ms. McGill for serving on our Coalition and for her faithful support over the years!



SAVANNAH SAFE BAR

Impairment Level/Blood Alcohol Content (BAC)

Drinks	Body Weight In Pounds										Impairment	
	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240				
WOMEN 	1	.05	.04	.03	.03	.02	.02	.02	.02	.02	.02	Low
	2	.09	.08	.07	.06	.05	.05	.04	.04			
	3	.14	.11	.11	.09	.08	.07	.06	.06			High
	4	.18	.15	.13	.11	.10	.09	.08	.08			
	5	.23	.19	.16	.14	.13	.11	.10	.09			
	6	.27	.23	.19	.17	.15	.14	.12	.11			
	7	.32	.27	.23	.20	.18	.16	.14	.13			
	8	.36	.30	.26	.23	.20	.18	.17	.15			
	9	.41	.34	.29	.26	.23	.20	.19	.17			
	10	.45	.38	.32	.28	.25	.23	.21	.19			
MEN 	1	.04	.03	.03	.02	.02	.02	.02	.02	.02	Low	
	2	.08	.06	.05	.05	.04	.04	.03	.03			Medium
	3	.11	.09	.08	.07	.06	.06	.05	.05		High	
	4	.15	.12	.11	.09	.08	.08	.07	.06			
	5	.19	.16	.13	.12	.11	.09	.09	.08			
	6	.23	.19	.16	.14	.13	.11	.10	.09			
	7	.26	.22	.19	.16	.15	.13	.12	.11			
	8	.30	.25	.21	.19	.17	.15	.14	.13			
	9	.34	.28	.24	.21	.19	.17	.15	.14			
	10	.38	.31	.27	.23	.21	.19	.17	.16			

What is Considered a Standard Drink?



Please alert a member of our staff immediately if you or your friends are being harassed in any way during your visit. Unwanted and/or inappropriate behavior is not tolerated here.

SAFE BARS & ALCOHOL SERVICE CAMPAIGN

The City of Savannah has partnered with Beyond the Bell and the Savannah Prevention Coalition to help educate people on the impact and effects of alcohol consumption in Savannah. SBAS is an awareness and prevention campaign that takes a proactive approach to promote responsible consumption among patrons, owners, managers, and service staff.

Before St. Patrick's Day, the coalition distributed the PSA pictured as well as an additional "alcohol and consent don't mix" poster to over 45 bars and restaurants in the downtown area of Savannah. The businesses were largely supportive of the initiative.

The next phase of SBAS is to create short trainings for employees like Alcohol Awareness and Sexual Assault Intervention, as well as create other PSAs as needs are identified. We will work with the businesses to assess needs and plan education.

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALDERWOMAN AT-LARGE KESHA GIBSON CARTER FOR PUSHING THIS CAMPAIGN

"CONSIDER THE RISK" WINDOW CLINGS

Consider the Risk Before You Sip

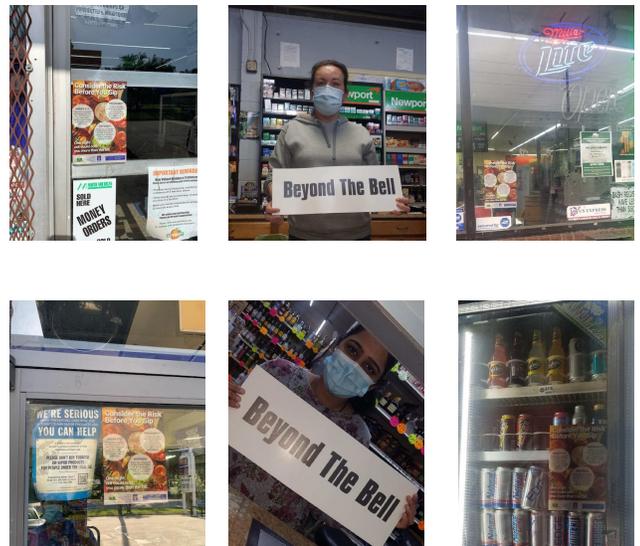
UNDER 21?
The brain continues developing well into your 20's. Alcohol can alter brain functions and leads to a higher risk of addiction.

PREGNANT?
There is no safe amount of alcohol to drink when you are pregnant. Consumption leads to a higher risk of birth defects.

DRIVING?
Every day, 29 people in the United States die due to alcohol-related car accidents. This is one death every 50 minutes.

One night out could cost you more than the bill.

In partnership with Emory University to raise awareness about underage drinking and drinking during pregnancy, we created window clings to be distributed to off-premise alcohol outlets in the City of Savannah. Over 80 establishments have accepted window clings, demonstrating a clear commitment to safety and health.



Beyond The Bell's focus is on the health and safety of young people ages 9-20 and their parents. Beyond The Bell provides life skills training and other programs to ensure that youth live happy and safe lives and use the tools we provide to enjoy activities that exclude alcohol, marijuana, tobacco and other drugs. We use evidence-based strategies to build skills and support the needs of young people and thus reduce barriers to their success.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

OUR GRATITUDE IS BOUNTIFUL AS WE CELEBRATE OUR 19TH YEAR OF SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITIES.

I AM AS EXCITED TO SHARE THIS SECOND MESSAGE IN OUR AGENCY NEWSLETTER AS I WAS IN OUR PREVIOUS EDITION. AGAIN, I THANK EACH OF OUR DEDICATED STAFF MEMBERS AS WELL AS OUR ASTUTE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN SUPPORT OF THE EFFORTS OF OUR WONDERFUL AGENCY, BEYOND THE BELL.

WE ARE WELL ON OUR WAY TO THE END OF OUR 5TH AND FINAL YEAR OF OUR 5-YEAR ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROJECT CONTRACT. WE HAVE MET MANY CHALLENGES DUE IN MOST PART TO COVID-19, HOWEVER WE ARE FINDING WAYS WITHIN CDC GUIDELINES TO MEET OUR DELIVERABLES, SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES, AND ENGAGE OUR STAKEHOLDERS AND PARTNERS.

I AM GRATEFUL THAT OUR STAFF HAS REMAINED SAFE UNDER THE THREAT OF THE VIRUS AND CONTINUE TO STRIVE TO PERFORM SERVICES WE ARE CHARGED WITH SUCH AS GETTING OUR MESSAGES OUT, COLLECTING COMMUNITY SURVEYS, FACILITATING LIFE SKILL CLASSES, AND SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITIES IN EVERY MANNER POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DID NOT ASK YOU FOR PRAYERS FOR OUR BELOVED STAFF MEMBER BETTY DIZARD. BETTY IS VERY ILL AND HAS BEEN CONFINED TO THE MEDICAL CENTER IN MACON FOR THE PAST FEW MONTHS. PLEASE KEEP HER IN YOUR PRAYERS AS WELL AS OUR BELOVED MS. EVELYN JOHNSON WHO WAS RECENTLY RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL. WE ARE ALSO SADDENED BY THE DEATH IN OUR UPSON COUNTY COMMUNITY OF MR. JOE DAWSON, HUSBAND OF OUR CPAW MEMBER MRS. CONSTANCE DAWSON AND GRANDFATHER OF OUR YOUTH CABINET PRESIDENT, TYQUAN REEVES.

WE ARE ALSO MOST GRATEFUL FOR THE CONFIDENCE PLACED IN US BY THE STATE OF GEORGIA, SAMHSA, A DIVISION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE HEALTH TRUST DIVISION OF PIEDMONT-ROCKDALE HOSPITAL, AND THE CITY OF SAVANNAH FOR THEIR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN ORDER FOR US TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES TO OUR FOCUS COMMUNITIES.

REMEMBER, WE CANNOT CHANGE THE DIRECTION OF THE WIND, BUT WE CAN ADJUST OUR SAILS TO REACH OUR DESTINATION.

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