Don’t Miss Warning Signs of Substance Misuse

130 adults in Reading toured the exhibit from 10/17/16-10/19-16

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THANKS FOR THE INSPIRATION TO HOST “HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT”

Winchester Coalition for a Safer Community

Wakefield WAKE UP Coalition

http://powertotheparent.org/hidden-in-plain-sight
20 items that conceal substance misuse were located throughout the teen’s bedroom.
The Mission of Deeds delivered the furniture for our teen bedroom exhibit. If you would like to support this amazing organization, please visit http://www.missionofdeeds.org/donate-today/
HOW IT WORKS

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT

TOUR THE EXHIBIT

Strengthen your detective skills as a parent by looking at the personal belongings, room decor, and everyday items in our exhibit. See if you can find the 20 items that conceal substance misuse that are located throughout the teen’s bedroom.

ADULTS WERE INVITED TO TOUR THE EXHIBIT, FIND CLUES & RCASA & BURBANK Y TEEN STAFF WERE ON HAND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS
FUNNEL FOR FILLING ALCOHOL FLASKS
DRUG HIDE IN BOTTOM
Flask for holding alcohol
SMOKE BUDDY

MASKS MARIJUANA SMELL
"LINT ROLLER"

DRUG HIDE
DOOB TUBES

TO STORE MARIJUANA -- AIRTIGHT, MOISTURE RESISTANT AND ODOR PROOF. THE SMALL TUBE ALSO MAKES IT EASY TO DISCRETELY CARRY.
“ICED TEA”

- Drug hide hollow by twisting top of can
Novelty sold as Diversion Safe

If you know how to solve the cube, you can find my hiding place.
“AXE SPRAY”

• Drug hide by twisting top of can
**FLASKS**

- **Flasks** to hide alcohol come in all shapes and sizes — including this set of lotion bottles. We have also seen flip flops with little flasks that fit into the bottom of the shoe, lotion bottles, and tampon cases. Parents should be aware of this when they are checking bags of teens attending a party in their home.
"FLASHLIGHT"

- Contains a marijuana grinder at the top of the item.
PILL CUTTER AND CRUSHER
CRUSH PILLS TO A FINE POWDER

HIP#13
FLASKS
TO HIDE ALCOHOL COME IN ALL SHAPES AND SIZES
SPLOOF
A HOMEMADE FILTER USED TO MASK THE SMELL OF MARIJUANA SMOKE. THEY ARE FREQUENTLY MADE OUT OF AN EMPTY PAPER TOWEL OR TOILET PAPER ROLL AND DRYER SHEETS.

Over 1,900 YouTube videos demonstrate how to make these homemade devices.
INCENSE

SOMETIMES USED TO MASK THE ODOR OF MARIJUANA SMOKE. OTHER ROOM DEODORIZERS OR AIR SANITIZERS, MAY BE USED TOO.
OPTICAL MOUSE
HAS A HIDDEN DIGITAL SCALE INSIDE.
SCALES ARE USED TO WEIGH
SMALL AMOUNTS OF A DRUG AND SMALL ZIP
LOCK BAGS ARE USED TO PACKAGE THEM.
SMARTPHONE & COMPUTER SAFETY

DID YOU KNOW ABOUT “APP” HIDES?

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/the-12-apps-that-every-parent-of-a-teen-should-know-about_us_56c34e49e4b0c3c55052a6ba

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/social-media-apps-parents-should-know-about
POWER STRIP

DRUG HIDE

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

• Where did you buy the items for the exhibit?
  • They were all purchased on www.amazon.com

• Do adults and teens in Reading really use these items?
  • Check out our evidence pictures from Reading Police to see for yourself.

• How do I help my family?
  • View our website to learn how to have difficult conversations, sign up for workshops, find resources and much more!
VISIT RCASA'S WEBSITE TO VIEW MORE TIPS FOR PARENTS

RESOURCES

http://www.reading.k12.ma.us/community/rcasa/parents/

Please also visit our "Need help?" section

Hidden in Plain Sight: Oct. 17th-19th

Physiology of Addiction by Dr. Ruth Potee

Addiction Is a Brain Disease, and it Matters

Alan I. Lesher

Scientific advances over the past 30 years have shown that drug addiction is a chronic, relapsing disease that results from the prolonged effects of drugs on the brain. As with many other brain diseases, addiction has embodied behavioral and social-cultural aspects that are important parts of the disorder's etiology. Therefore, the most effective treatment approaches will include biological, behavioral, and social-cultural components. Recognizing addiction as a chronic, relapsing brain disorder characterized by compulsive drug seeking and use can impact society's overall health and social policy strategies and help diminish the health and social costs associated with drug abuse addiction.

Learn more about Active Parenting Programs

Parents of ages 5-12 and Parents of ages 13-18

Partnership for Drug Free Kids
Stay informed to help your family and your community

SAMHSA's "Talk. They Hear You." - It...
EVIDENCE PICTURES

READING POLICE DEPARTMENT (RESOURCES ON DISPLAY)
Drugs & Paraphernalia Awareness
Reading’s location at the busiest highway interchange in New England creates opportunities for transient buyers, and sellers of drugs as well as those within Reading to target customers from near, and far.

Distributors operating from 3 nearby cities primarily supply Reading’s drug market.

Top 4 Regional Drug Threats

COCAINe  HEROIN  MARIJUANA  PHARMACEUTICALS

Routes
95/128/93
“Dabbing” THC concentrates/Earwax

Marijuana concentrates are the extracted resins from green leafy marijuana. While pot contains roughly 20% THC, earwax – BTO– can contain up to 80% of it. Wax is a cannabis concentrate w/consistency of ear wax, made from a butane extraction — Butane Hash Oil/BHO.

BHO can also be made into “shatter”.

Aka “dabs,” “honey oil,” or “butter”

some non-traditional symptoms i.e. hallucinations, passing out, extreme highs (even from small portions) & high levels of impairment.

http://www.campussafetymagazine.com/article/drug_trend_alert_marijuana_wax_oil_or_concentrates

BHO can also be made into “shatter”.
PAX 2 web ad “A BETTER COMPACT VAPORIZER IN EVERY WAY. STREAMLINED WITH A SLIMMER PROFILE AND SIMPLIFIED USER INTERFACE.” More powerful, but remarkably power efficient. A deeper oven allowing a satisfyingly consistent draw. An elegant, ergonomically redesigned mouthpiece that senses the presence of your lips. A more efficient battery, and intelligent heating and cooling systems to optimize usage. An elegant anodized aluminum surface and integrated LED indicator”. Retail is $279

“PAX 2 is designed specifically for use with loose-leaf plant material”
Cigarillo/Blunts w/Marijuana
Marijuana

Storage

Water bottle bong
Can bong
Storage
Air filter

Storage

Glass pipe
Expired Evidence Pictures, 5/4/16

Glass pipe

Storage
Adderal
Expired Evidence Pictures, 5/4/16
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40 bags heroin
Expired Evidence Pictures, 5/4/16

Cocaine

4 Rocks Crack Cocaine
WANT TO SHARE NON-EMERGENCY DRUG INFO WITH READING POLICE?

TEXT A TIP
How to send an anonymous tip to Reading Police...

Open a new text message Address to 847411
Type READINGPD in message box Add your tip & send

New Message [New Message]

To: 847-411

Example
READINGPD I think there might be some drug activity near the train station on Tuesday afternoons!

or submit a web tip at www.ci.reading.ma.us