



*Empowering Kansas communities in the fight against methamphetamine*

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## White House Deputy Drug Czar Honors Four Kansans In Fight Against Meth

Scott Burns, Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), recognized four Kansans for their work in the fight against methamphetamine in a ceremony on March 7, 2006 at the US Attorney's Office in Wichita.

"These individuals have worked aggressively on the front lines to reduce the spread of methamphetamine in Kansas," Burns said during the ceremony.

Cristi Cain, Statewide Coordinator of the Kansas Methamphetamine Prevention Project, was honored for her efforts to educate law enforcement officers and the public about the methamphetamine problem.

Other Kansans honored at the ceremony were Ford County Sheriff Dean Bush, for his work to prevent methamphetamine trafficking, as well as developing emergency plans to deal with agri-terrorism.

Crawford County Sheriff



Crawford County Sheriff Sandy Horton, KBI Deputy Director Kyle Smith, ONDCP Deputy Director Scott Burns, Ford County Sheriff Dean Bush and Kansas Methamphetamine Prevention Project Coordinator Cristi Cain, (left to right) gather after a recognition ceremony held on March 7, 2006.

Sandy Horton was recognized for his work with the Southeast Kansas Drug Task Force that effectively impacted meth activity in a six county region.

Kyle Smith, Deputy Director of the KBI, was acknowledged for his work in the statewide coordination of the fight against meth.

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**Kansas Regional Prevention Center System**

*Regional Prevention Centers provide drug and alcohol prevention education and technical assistance to communities across the state of Kansas.*

South Central	Newton, KS	316-283-6743
Wichita/Sedgwick	Wichita	316-262-2421
Flint Hills	Emporia	620-343-2211
Flint Hills	El Dorado	316-321-6628
Southeast KS	Girard	620-724-6281
North Central KS	Salina	785-825-6224
Northwest	Hays	785-625-5521
Northwest	Colby	785-460-8177
Southwest Kansas	Garden City	620-276-9624
East Central	Lawrence	785-841-4138
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Wyandotte County	Kansas City	913-288-7685
Northeast KS	Manhattan	785-587-4372
Shawnee County	Topeka	785-266-8666

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## Drug Paraphernalia Advocacy Efforts Underway

The Kansas Methamphetamine Prevention Project (KMPP) has embarked on a new initiative to implement community and state-wide efforts to reduce the availability of paraphernalia used to administer methamphetamine and other drugs.

KMPP is partnering with Safe Streets Topeka-Shawnee County, Prevention and Recovery Services, and other organizations in Shawnee County to develop a pilot project for addressing the problem in Shawnee County.

Drug paraphernalia can take many forms, including glass pipes, blunt wraps, rolling papers and postal scales. In many communities these items are widely available and on display in gas stations and convenience stores.

The accessibility of drug paraphernalia in convenience stores is of concern for several reasons. The prominent display of drug paraphernalia in retail

and employees, as the paraphernalia may attract individuals under the influence to the store. Prominently displayed drug paraphernalia can also serve as a trigger for customers who are in recovery.

KMPP is currently developing an advocacy plan for use by communities throughout the state. The first step for communities is to gather data regarding how many stores sell paraphernalia and what types of paraphernalia is being sold. Coalitions addressing this issue should also work closely with the media, retailer associations and policy makers.

For more information or ideas on how to address the availability of drug paraphernalia in your community, contact **Cristi Cain** at [ccain@parstopeka.com](mailto:ccain@parstopeka.com).



Examples of drug paraphernalia sold at multiple convenience stores in Shawnee County. These glass pipes, while disguised as trinkets, are actually used to smoke meth.

outlets establishes a community norm that drug uses is acceptable and tolerated in that community. Drug paraphernalia in convenience stores can increase danger for legitimate customers

## Meth PSAs Now Available to Kansas Communities

The Kansas Methamphetamine Prevention Project (KMPP) has collaborated with Partnership for a Drug-Free America to release new methamphetamine public service announcements in Kansas communities.

The White House Office of Drug Control Policy and the Partnership for a Drug-Free America developed the anti-meth ads as part of

a communication campaign to target methamphetamine and mobilize individuals and groups to reduce meth use at the community level.

The public service announcements combine real-life stories of people impacted by methamphetamine with scenarios that depict the unique threats meth poses to communities.

The two main themes, "So, Who Has the Drug Problem Now?" and "End Meth in Your Town" challenge individuals to learn more about the dangers of meth.

Originally released in only 23 cities, the Partnership for a Drug-Free America has now made the public service ads available to all communities. A selection of

the ads can be viewed on-line at [www.drugfree.org/meth](http://www.drugfree.org/meth). The website also offers stories of meth users, educational resources and information for parents.

If you are interested in coordinating efforts to air the public service announcements on television stations in your community, please contact **Cristi Cain** at [ccain@parstopeka.com](mailto:ccain@parstopeka.com).



## President Bush Approves Anti-Meth Legislation

On March 9, President Bush signed an anti-methamphetamine bill into law as part of the renewal of the Patriot Act. The Combat Meth Act restricts the sale of products containing pseudoephedrine, provides new enforcement tools to law enforcement and creates grants for meth treatment programs. The amendment was sponsored by Sens. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) and Jim Talent (R-Mo.).

The meth provisions restrict and record the sale of medicines containing meth precursors, including pseudoephedrine and ephedrine; relocates those products behind the counter or into locked display cases; requires purchasers to show identification and sign a logbook; and limits how much one person can buy to 9 grams a month and 3.6 grams in a single day. Purchase limits will go into effect in April 2006

and identification requirements will take effect September 30, 2006. The federal legislation will not preempt state laws that include more strict provisions.

Other key provisions of the legislation include:

- \$99 million a year for the next 5 years under the Meth Hot Spots program to train local and state law enforcement to investigate and lock-up meth offenders
- \$4 million to prevent the smuggling of meth from Mexico
- \$20,000,000 in grant funding in 2006 and 2007 for Drug Endangered Children rapid response teams
- Competitive 3-year grants to address meth use among pregnant and parenting women offenders

## Kansas Meth Efforts Receive National Attention

Meth prevention efforts in Kansas will be featured in a national satellite broadcast sponsored by Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA). The event titled "Melting the Ice: Fighting Methamphetamine" will be held from 12:00pm to 1:00pm CST on Thursday, May 18, 2006.

A film crew will visit Kansas in April to gather video footage for use during the broadcast. Cristi Cain, Statewide Coordinator of the Kansas

Methamphetamine Prevention Project (KMPP), KBI Director Larry Welch, Meth Watch Coordinator T.J. Ciaffone and Safe Streets Director Sally Zellers are among the Kansans to be interviewed for the broadcast.

Accompanied by KMPP staff, the film crew will visit Council Grove, KS to capture several meth prevention strategies in action, including installation of Meth Watch street signs, meth education table toppers at a local restaurant and Meth Watch

signage in place at hardware stores.

Rural meth prevention strategies will also be featured, including the installation of anhydrous ammonia tank locks and application of Meth Watch tank decals at a Shawnee County farm.

To register for the free satellite conference, please call 1-877-820-0305 or visit <http://cadca.org/CoalitionResources/SB-reg.asp>.

### Crank It Up! Community Methamphetamine Prevention Training

A training-of-trainers will be held June 21-22, 2006  
at the Capper Foundation in Topeka, KS.

Please visit [www.parstopeka.com](http://www.parstopeka.com) to download a training brochure  
or to register on-line.

This training fills up quickly and the cost is only \$25, so register today!