



# Town of Windham

## Substance Prevention Grant Program

<b>PROGRAM BACKGROUND</b>	The purpose of the Substance Prevention Grant Committee shall be to identify and make recommendations on distributing license fee funds for public health and safety programs that promote prevention, education, and positive choices in reducing youth substance use within Windham.
<b>FUNDING &amp; APPLICATION DEADLINE</b>	Applications will be accepted at The Town Manager's Office any time during the year while funds are still available. Incomplete applications will not be accepted or considered.
<b>FUNDING AWARD &amp; DISBURSEMENT</b>	The Town's Substance Prevention Grant Committee will review applications and select funding recipients. Applicants will be notified of the Committee's decision in a timely manner. The Committee reserves the right to grant all, or any part, of the total amount requested.
<b>APPLICANT DELIVERABLES</b>	Fund recipients will be required to submit a Progress and Final Report to ensure completion of all project activities. The progress report shall update the project timeline and ensure project completion. The progress report will be submitted to the Town's Substance Prevention Grant Committee, or designee, mid-way through the project timeline after receiving funds. The Final Report will be submitted in a timely manner after project completion.

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION		
<b>DATE SUBMITTED</b>	<b>PROGRAM NAME</b>	
10/31/24	Smokescreen	
<b>APPLICANT NAME</b>	<b>APPLICANT ADDRESS</b>	
AJ Ruth	WMS - 408 Gray Road, Windham ME 04062	
<b>APPLICANT PHONE</b>	<b>EMAIL</b>	<b>FAX</b>
207-892-1820 x2225	aruth@rsu14.org	207-892-1826
<b>AFFILIATE ORGANIZATION (if any)</b>	<b>ORGANIZATION ADDRESS</b>	
<b>LOCATION OF PROGRAM</b>	<b>LOCATION ADDRESS</b>	
Windham Middle School	408 Gray Road, Windham ME 04062	
<b>FISCAL OFFICER (if different from applicant)</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	
<b>FISCAL OFFICER PHONE</b>	<b>EMAIL</b>	<b>FAX</b>
<b>ANTICIPATED # PARTICIPANTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PROJECT COST</b>	<b>FUNDING REQUESTED</b>
230	\$2,500	\$2,500



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### II. PROGRAM INFORMATION – PLEASE PROVIDE: (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

<p><b>A. A STATEMENT OF THE EDUCATIONAL VALUE OF PROGRAM</b></p>	<p>This program is an evidence-based game designed to educate students about the dangers of vaping and promote healthier choices. The program uses engaging, interactive gameplay to address issues such as peer pressure, stress management, and the risks associated with nicotine use.</p>
<p><b>B. THE PROGRAM GOALS &amp; OBJECTIVES</b></p>	<p>Aligned with national health education standards, smokeSCREEN is proven to increase youths' risk perceptions and knowledge about the harms of vaping and nicotine use. Tier 1 of the program will be used with all 6th grade students to provide a universal prevention program focusing on vaping risks and peer resistance skills. Available in 2025, the Tier 2 component will provide a targeted intervention for students involved in</p>
<p><b>C. THE PROGRAM CREATOR &amp; TARGET AUDIENCE</b></p>	<p>Playbl' s smokeSCREEN program was initially created by the Yale School of Medicine and was extensively researched and peer reviewed. The target audience for Tier 1 is students in grades 5-9. The Tier 2 program can be used with students 6-12.</p>
<p><b>D. HOW THE PROGRAM IS MONITORED FOR SUCCESS. WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?</b></p>	<p>The Tier 1 program is monitored for success by the health teacher who is implementing it in her health classes for all 6th graders. The Tier 2 program would be monitored by the principal and assistant principal as well as the guidance/social worker supporting the student through the program after a substance violation at school or if the students identifies they have a problem</p>
<p><b>E. ADDITIONAL FUNDING RESOURCES FOR YOUR PROGRAM</b></p>	<p>Next year, the program will cost \$4,500. We are receiving a discount this year to try the program and the discount is also because the Tier 2 resources are not available until the spring of 2025. We plan to ask for this money in the budget next year.</p>
<p><b>F. ADDITIONAL PARTNERS PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM &amp; WHAT THEIR ROLES ARE</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Health teacher (Lindsey Szewczyk) - teaching vape prevention through the use of this program.</li> <li>2. AJ Ruth and Greg Applestein - responsible for disciplinary consequences when a student is found to be vaping at school</li> <li>3. Counselors/Social workers - supporting students who identify they have a</li> </ol>
<p><b>G. THE PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR THE PROGRAM</b></p>	<p>2024-2025 - all 6th graders in Ms. Szewczyk's health classes will receive the Tier 1 prevention education. It will be used by counselors/social workers and admin to support students who struggle with substance use.</p>



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### III. BUDGET OVERVIEW – Attach additional pages if necessary.

EXPENSES	AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCES	AMOUNT
Smokescreen program	\$2,500	Substance Use Grant	\$2,500
TOTAL		TOTAL	2,500
NET FUNDING REQUESTED			2,500

Programming can be for all ages, singular or multiple events, presentations, speakers, media campaigns, collaborations with other entities, etc. Please attach additional information that you feel is pertinent to your application.

The objective of any programming is to instill healthy (mental, physical and social) decision making skills with supporting educational materials as necessary (written, verbal, visual) concerning substance abuse. The programming method may incorporate hands-on, visual, academic, or other know learning modalities.

Grant funds can only be used for the educational programming that is specified in the grant request. Applicants may be required to meet with the Substance Prevention Grant Committee to provide further details.

Businesses, individuals, and affiliates that have contributed to the Educational Fee Fund are exempt from receiving funds.

The Substance Prevention Grant Committee will review applications at the beginning of each month.

Applications that are denied will need to wait six months before reapplying.

All programs are public information. Availability of funds for programming is set by the committee.