

### Overview

Funding from the Problem Gambling Casino Fund is being distributed specifically for effective enhancements in problem gambling/gambling disorder prevention services. For this project up to \$20,000 per year, per organization may be requested, with the funds potentially renewable, contingent upon outcomes and availability of funding for up to two years.

Prevention Action Alliance recognizes that as the opportunity to gamble in Ohio grows, so does the need for local communities to implement local solutions. Additionally, Prevention Action Alliance understands the difficulties community partners may have in addressing growing and emerging issues, such as problem gambling. The "Community Integration of Problem Gambling Prevention (CIPGP) Project" will reduce barriers to addressing problem gambling by allowing participants to select their own level of participation, while building capacity for the future.

Examples of requests could be, but are not limited to:

- An organization wants to share problem gambling information at the county fair. Staff time, table registration, supplies, mileage to the fair, etc. would all be eligible expenses.
- A community coalition wants to start addressing problem gambling and needs funds for a local awareness campaign. Expenses related to the campaign would be eligible for funding, and technical support from Prevention Action Alliance, Origo Branding, and Ohio for Responsible Gambling would be available.
- Staff time, registration fees, and mileage for staff and coalition members to attend in-state problem gambling training and events.
- Completing a community readiness survey to assess your community's awareness and capacity
  on issues relating to problem gambling. Organizations are not limited on the number of times
  they may apply.
- Education sessions to be provided at churches, health fairs, college campuses, Greek life, senior centers, etc.,

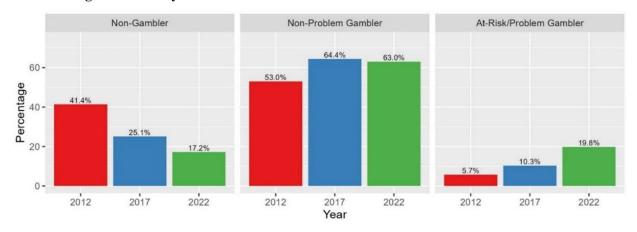


# **Background**

The 2022 Ohio Problem Gambling Survey highlights an opportunity for enhancements to problem gambling prevention efforts in Ohio. With award-winning statewide campaigns in place these funds offer an opportunity to provide more local solutions. As highlighted by the Ohio Problem Gambling study there has been both a decrease in the number of Ohioans that do not gambling, down from 41.4% to 25.1%, and now 17.2% in 2012, 2017, and 2022 respectively. During the same period Ohioans experienced a four-fold increase in being at-risk or having a gambling disorder – 19.8% of Ohioans as of 2022, up from 5.7% in 2012.

The Ohio Healthy Youth Environments Survey (OHYES!) for the 2021-2022 school year reports 15.03% of students surveyed, ages 12-18, surveyed reported gambling in the previous year. Among those students who reported gambling 7.8% reported gambling daily, while 21.24% had gambled more than they had planned.

# Gambling Behaviors by Year



By engaging in new, or enhancing existing local, problem gambling prevention efforts, communities can address several risk factors associated with gambling including substance use disorders and other behavioral and physical concurrent disorders.

All necessary documentation, including key dates, and the application link can be found at: <a href="https://preventionactionalliance.org/community-integration-problem-gambling-prevention">https://preventionactionalliance.org/community-integration-problem-gambling-prevention</a>



# **Eligible Entities**

Eligible entities for the project include community coalitions (culturally specific, faith-based, city or county-hosted, suicide prevention, drug-free community coalitions,) OhioMHAS certified prevention providers, ADAMH Boards, a public health district, or an educational institution.

Organizations currently engaging in effective community-level problem gambling prevention efforts that are interested in providing support, training, and technical assistance to organizations receiving funds through this opportunity are also encouraged to apply.

### **Application Process**

Applicants will propose their own deliverable(s) and request(s) for funds related to the prevention of problem gambling in communities throughout Ohio. There is no limit to the number of proposed deliverables an entity may request funds for, but the distribution of funds is limited to \$20,000 per entity.

The SurveyMonkey will collect information about your organization, your current prevention efforts, and staff capacity. Additionally, for each funding request, you will be required to submit a description of the work for which you are requesting funding. This information must contain:

- Project Narrative the project narrative should be no more than 2,000 words. The narrative must identify Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound (SMART) goals you plan to accomplish with the funds.
- Budget— using the budget template provided by Prevention Action Alliance please categorize how the requested funds will be spent and provide a brief budget narrative.
- Capacity describe the staff, coalition members, or volunteer support you have available; as well as in-kind and other financial support.
- Barriers describe any barriers you foresee to your work and what additional supports PAA can provide; training and technical support will be available at no cost.

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### **Key Dates**

Funds will be disbursed in two rounds; applicants are encouraged to apply for funds each round regardless of funding in previous rounds.

Q&A sessions will explain the scope of the project and funded work, the application process, and potential applicants may ask any questions they have at that time. Questions throughout the process will not be limited to a questions period. Attendance in one of these sessions is encouraged, but not required.

Q&A Webinar / Application Open	Friday, February 9 <sup>th</sup> , 9:00am
Q&A Webinar	Monday, February 26 <sup>th</sup> , 12:00pm
Application for Round 1 Closes	Friday, March 8 <sup>th</sup> , 5:00pm
Q&A Webinar	Thursday, March 21st, 9:00am
Q&A Webinar	Tuesday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 10:00 am
Application for Round 2 Closes	Friday, April 12 <sup>th</sup> , 5:00pm
End of Year Reporting Due	Friday, May 24 @ 5:00pm
Zoom Check-In/Presentation	Friday, June 14 @ 10:00am

All questions may be sent to PG@preventionactionalliance.org