

## Youth Advisory Board

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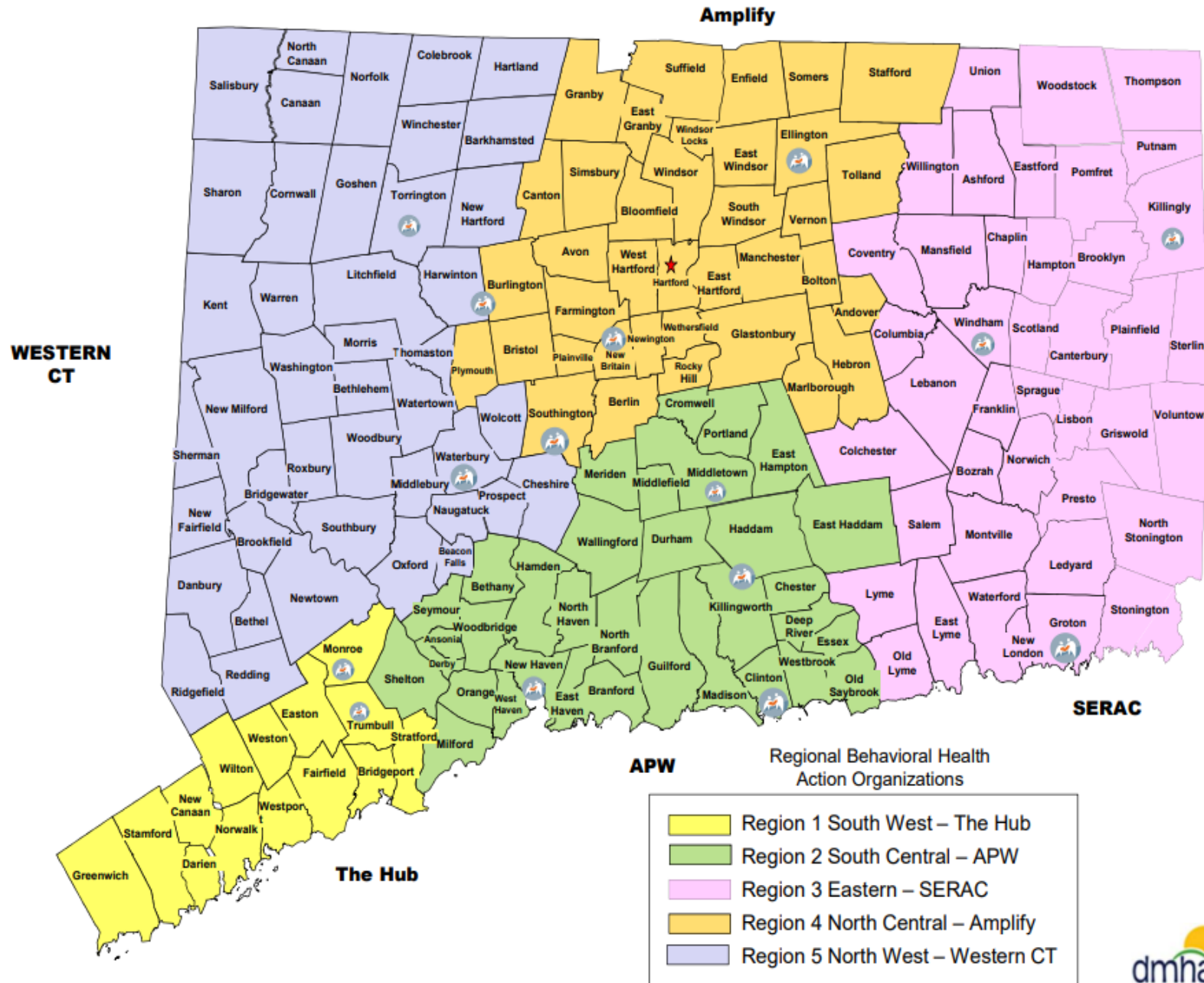


## Youth Advisory Board

- Supports youth leaders across CT who are actively involved in prevention work in their communities.
- Provides a youth prevention network of like-minded young people to collaborate on overarching prevention initiatives and develop professional skills through advanced trainings in prevention, leadership and advocacy.
- Supported by DMHAS



## Youth Advisory Board 2022-2023



- 29 Registered Members
- 15 Youth
- 14 Youth Advisors
- 18 Communities

## Membership Expectations



Participate in all regularly scheduled Board meetings.



Serve as co-facilitator of at least one Board meeting each school year.



Actively participate in at least one project workgroup during the year.

## Work Groups



YAB EVENT PLANNING



NPW EVENT  
PLANNING – 3  
SUBCOMMITTEES



SPEAKERS  
BUREAU/LEGISLATIVE  
TESTIMONY



FPL CONFERENCE  
STEERING COMMITTEE



SOCIAL MEDIA  
OUTREACH



GAMBLING  
AWARENESS MEDIA  
PROJECT

## Monthly MEETINGS

- **Board Meetings - virtual**
  - 90 Minute Sessions
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month
- **Special Events - in person**
  - Kick-Off Event – September
  - New Year's Energizer - January
  - End of Year Party - June



## BOARD MEETING OBJECTIVES

- **Youth Engagement**
  - Group
  - Peer-to-peer
- **Amplify Youth Voice in CT's Prevention Movement**
- **FUN!**
- **Workforce Development**
  - Field of Prevention
    - Special Guest(s)
      - Path to Prevention
      - Prevention Focus
    - Emerging Data
  - Leadership skills





## SPECIAL EVENTS

- Social Engagement
- Team Building
- Interactive Games
- Prevention Forward
- Idea Think-tank



## Youth-Focused Prevention Training



- 90-Minute Virtual Sessions
- 1-2 sessions provided each month
- Open to all CT youth, parents and youth-serving adult advisors (YAB membership NOT required)
- Topics identified through youth/advisor surveys and local prevention data

- QPR Certification
- Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF)
- Gaming/Gambling Awareness
- Legislative Testimony
- Mental Health Awareness / Tools
- Prevention Resource Materials & Links
- Current Trends in Substance Use
- Substance Specific Prevention Information



## How can you engage with the Youth Advisory Board?

- Special Guest Speaker
- Prevention Training Session
- Speaker's Bureau Invite
- FPL Conference (June 2023)





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