Guiding principles to have in terms of efforts we should be supporting in the substance use / overdose prevention work

Harm reduction to liberation – what does that look like from a substance use and suicide prevention perspective

Education / Data / Messaging

education for adults on how to have the really raw conversation with their kids when it comes to lethal means being guns, SUD, and suicide I suggest asking the group that spoke to us at the last quarterly meeting this question. Their work is at the intersection and could give direction as to how best to advocate for both.

Education &
Awareness as a
model for liberation
in the work of
suicide prevention
and substance use.

Clearer language on the determinants between a SUD and having a "healthier" relationship with substances. Credible messaging that speaks directly to a more nuanced demographics... tailored to language, symbols of identity, interests, etc. rather than typical "public service messaging"

Programming

SA = Substance Abuse

Parent substance use and child impact -- support for children who have parents in recovery or parents who face addiction.

Prevention
programming -more funds for
youth programming
access for most in
need of healthy
spaces/people who
ALSO possess bio
education Re: SA.

Youth programming development (likely utilizing spaces already in operation): Expansion and SA bio education requirement for personnel (offered to parents).

Re: Youth
programming
(entails youths
exposed to high risk
situations, including
abuse, sexual abuse)
to account for gaps
in law which allow
for these offenses.

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Understanding Social / Cultural / Health Determinants

Attention to:
Chronic pain
connection
(emotionally and
physically) and SA
as relief
(subpopulation/
intersecting issue).

Messaging to target things that don't mix together well. For example: Alcohol & Firearms don't mix, "Uppers" & "Downers", etc.

Harm reduction can mean being able to face the realities of drug addiction (mental health issues, houselessness, poverty, ETC) and finding ways to help lessen those issues. Policy / Legislation

OLCC have a public health person added

We are trying to get more suicide prevention training and education in gun businesses. Could we advocate for more education pamphlets to be provided with each sale of alcohol? Data around substance use / overdoses and suicide / suicidal ideation and the overlaps

Look at Erin's Law and think about promoting legislation similar to this around prevention and substance abuse SA = Substance Abuse Guiding principles to have in terms of efforts we should be supporting in firearm / safe storage work

Understand that firearm culture should be respected when talking about gun control. Increase options for safe storage like the FFL legislation that has been tried a couple times before.