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## Winooski Nonprofit Awarded 5 Year Grant for Substance Use Disorder Prevention

The Winooski Partnership for Prevention, a substance use disorder prevention coalition, was notified on Friday that they were awarded a 5 year grant through Drug Free Communities (DFC), a program of President Biden's Office of National Drug Control and Policy.

The award is \$125,000 per year for the next five years.

"We're thrilled to be able to continue vital work in Winooski," said Executive Director, Kate Nugent. "This grant will allow us to retain staff who work in our schools, partner with local decision makers, and work with researchers to advise local and state officials on the healthiest paths forward for Winooski residents. We are in a great place as a coalition to expand access to prevention programs, and strengthen prevention policies, and we're grateful to our many partners who helped us in this grant application."

The coalition currently has 4 staff members, 7 board members, and 52 coalition members. More information about the coalition is available at winooskiprevention.org.