

ENFORCEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

The following is a list of questions on the nature of underage drinking enforcement in the community. The more information that can be gathered, the more effective the strategic plan. However, if the answer to the question is unknown or difficult to obtain, indicate that fact and move on to other questions. Distribute this checklist to members of the law enforcement community, including alcohol beverage control agencies.

1. Do you have support of top law enforcement officials for enforcing underage alcohol violations?
2. What are the underage drinking enforcement programs your law enforcement agencies are currently doing such as compliance checks, Cops In Shops, etc.? Is there information on buy rates, number of citations given, fines/suspensions against retailers? Can the effectiveness of these programs be measured?
3. What is the attitude of law enforcement to enforcing underage drinking and DWI/DUI laws?
4. What obstacles does law enforcement face in youth alcohol enforcement?
5. Is it easy for minors to buy alcohol?
6. Where do youth obtain their alcohol?
7. Where does underage drinking occur? Are there specific locations where youth gather to drink?
8. Out of 10 retailers, how many do you estimate would sell to an underage youth?

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9. Are any law enforcement agencies in your community committed to youth alcohol enforcement in terms of providing manpower, task forces, special training, etc? If so, list the programs.

10. Which law enforcement agencies work together in the community to enforce underage drinking laws?

11. Is there one officer from local law enforcement who could take lead in contacting other local law enforcement agencies? Who?

12. What are the attitudes of prosecutors, judges in your community toward underage drinking? Is there any training for the judiciary with respect to youth alcohol violations?

13. Do juvenile justice and law enforcement agencies cooperate on underage drinking issues? How?

14. What is the attitude and policy of alcohol beverage control agencies?

15. Are there a sufficient number of alcohol beverage control agents and inspectors to regulate establishments that sell alcohol?

16. Is training available which focuses on effective enforcement of underage drinking laws?