



# PARTS

## PREVENTING ALCOHOL RELATED TRAUMA IN SALINAS

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To all of our PARTS members, volunteers, residents and staff who are mothers, grandmothers, and aunts!!!!

### Dear Coalition Members:

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2012!!!

Inside this Newsletter we want to share: What's in the news , accomplishments, upcoming meetings/activities for our youth and a few updates to keep you connected with PARTS Coalition.



#### PARTS-SALINAS:

Thursday, May 10, 2012, from 12pm-1:30pm at 37 Central Ave, Community Room .If you have any questions please contact Brenda Corona (831) 753-5150.

#### STUDY SESSION WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL :

Tuesday, May 8 , 2012 , at 7pm in the Council Chamber Rotunda, 200 Lincoln Ave TO DISCUSS POLICY ISSUES:

- Signs (A-frame, billboards);
- Design Review Board;
- Use of the City logo; and
- Alcohol one-for-one policy

If you are unable to attend our meetings, please consider sending a representative from your agency!

## IN THE NEWS:



[Teens using hand sanitizers](#)

[Teens drinking hand sanitizer ending up in emergency rooms!!](#)

Six teenagers suffered alcohol poisoning from drinking hand sanitizer in California, public health officials are warning parents to look out for signs of abuse.

The teens showed up in two emergency rooms in the last few months, the [Los Angeles Times](#) reports. Some of them used salt to separate the alcohol from the hand sanitizer. This makes it a drink that is similar in potency to a shot of hard liquor, the article notes. Liquid hand sanitizer is 62 percent ethyl alcohol, and can make a 120-proof liquid. After a few drinks, a person can become so drunk that they need to be monitored in the emergency room. This is the latest over-the-counter product teens have begun using to get a quick high.

[Teens use hand sanitizer to get drunk | News 5 | News, Weather ...](#)

[www.khastv.com/news/family-healthcast/Teens-use-hand-sanitizer-to...](http://www.khastv.com/news/family-healthcast/Teens-use-hand-sanitizer-to...)

Health experts say they are noticing a disturbing trend, teenagers are distilling **hand sanitizer** to get intoxicated. So far it has happened six times already in the..

[Teens Drink Hand Sanitizer To get Drunk! KION Central Coast News](#)

[www.kionrighnow.com/17707682/teens-drinking-hand-sanitizer-to-get-drunk..](http://www.kionrighnow.com/17707682/teens-drinking-hand-sanitizer-to-get-drunk..)

"Check their backpacks, check their rooms, and look for hidden areas where they could be hiding alcohol or other drugs" said **Maria-Elena Morales, from Sun Street Centers**. So far, local emergency rooms haven't seen any sanitizer poisoning cases.

# From STEPS:



Safe Teens Empowerment Project in Salinas

## Youth can join us and learn about Digital Storytelling



### WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

TELL YOURS & HELP OTHERS  
LEARN ABOUT ISSUES RELATED TO  
DRUG & ALCOHOL ADDICTION.  
LEARN TO USE PHOTOS, VIDEO,  
GRAPHICS, SOUND RECORDING,  
AND A MAC COMPUTER TO MAKE  
YOUR OWN SHORT MOVIE.

**What:** Fun Free Classes  
**When:** Mon & Tues, 3:30-5:30  
May 14-July 10, 2012  
**Where:** Sun Street Centers  
37 Central Ave, Salinas

## We are keeping our selves busy.....!!!



**STEPS ON THE GO!** Alondra Munoz and Cesar Galvan distributed flyers at Hebron Heights neighborhood to inform parents about Cara y Corazon, parenting group.



On April 10, 2012 STEPS went to the Salinas City Council Meeting to thank our Town Hall Meeting speakers!!!

In February, we had the opportunity to participate on Racial Equity and Structural Racism through Media training by The Applied Research Center hosted by Building Healthy Communities. Join our team and learn more about what we learned and what we are working on. The Group meets every First and Third Tuesday of the Month at 3:30pm.

**In this picture:**  
Sabino Lopez

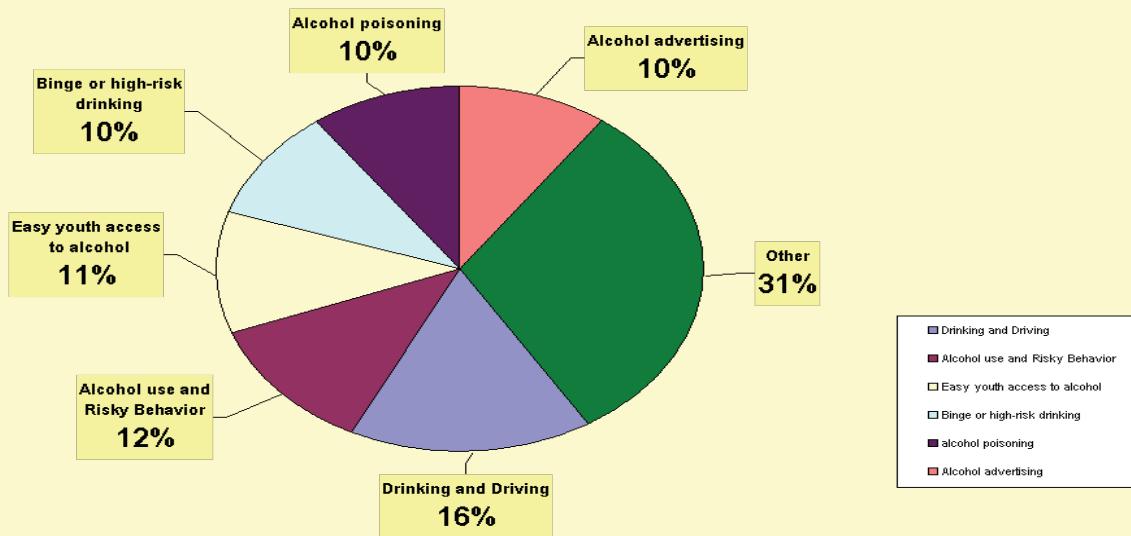
Sun Street Centers –STEPS  
Building Healthy Community Staff  
Alfredo De Avila from Applied Research Center

If you missed our Town Hall Meeting on Underage Drinking, (hosted on April 4, 2012) and would like a snapshot of what speakers addressed, please let us know.



## At our Town Hall Meeting, survey respondents indicated:

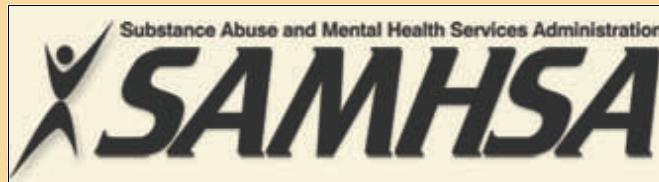
**The most important under age drinking issue(s) facing our community:**



Want to learn more about the highest areas of concerns? Join us at our PARTS Coalition meeting , Thursday May 10, 2012. Our evaluator will be presenting the results of the Town Hall Meeting survey!

### PARTS Coalition Mission

Our mission is to prevent alcohol-related injuries and fatalities, prevent youth access to alcohol and drugs and the initiated use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in the city of Salinas.



Reference: The partnership at Drugfree.org

