April 29, 2012

To: Andy Manar

Macoupin County Board Chairman

From: Robert Hozian MCPH Board Member MCHA Commissioner

I will be relocating to Alton, Il. on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. This makes it necessary to resign from the MCHA Board and Board of Health. Thank you for allowing me to serve the community.

Sincerely,

Robert S. Hozian

May 14, 2012

Dear Mr. Manar,

I recently resigned from the Maple Street Dental Clinic and sent copies of that letter to Dr. Gary Pellizzaro and Mr. Ralph March. I started working at the dental clinic in 2003 and have worked in the dental profession since 1968.

I am asking that you monitor Kent Tarro's activities at the dental clinic very closely. Everything he does there should be questioned and approved by the board. He should not have the power he has without oversight!

We just lost two excellent dentists at the dental clinic. One accepted a position at another practice because she could no longer tolerate his behavior and he terminated the other dentist unjustly! The terminated dentist has even served as a dental director at another health care facility.

He opened the new medical/dental clinic in 2008, then remodeled in 2011. It has an outstanding dental department. They installed nine operatory chairs and all the latest digital x-ray equipment, plus electronic dental records. The business office has a new computerized management system. The clinic just received HQFC approval, yet we have no full time providers at the dental clinic.

He has a dentist in there temporarily and a part time dentist. The temporary dentist does not even have his Illinois Drug License. Neither dentist is set up to accept Medicaid in our office. It takes at least 90 days for the state to approve and issue the Medicaid numbers. Yes, they are retroactive, but in the meantime there is no revenue coming into the dental clinic, exactly what he has been harassing the previous providers about.

The people to suffer the most are our patients, the very people we should be helping.

As you know we have had many dentists at the dental clinic. Have you ever asked yourself why we can't retain qualified dentists for very long? If you listen to Kent Tarro, it's always the provider or employees to blame.

I'm just asking you and the board to be on top of the decisions he is making. He informed us that this is his building, his clinic, and his equipment. He worked long and hard for this, and it was all his. I will grant you he did work hard, and it took a long time to receive this HQFC approval and grant. That grant money comes from the taxpayers. That clinic therefore belongs to us all, to be used to provide much needed services for the underserved medical/dental community. Not to satisfy one man's incredible ego.

Sincerely,

Kathy Basso

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May 14, 2010

Mr. Jim Pitchford Macoupin County EMA 215 South East Street Carlinville, IL. 62626

Dear Mr. Pitchford,

In accordance with Title 29, Illinois Administrative Rule, Part 301, the Macoupin County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) dated May 2012 has been reviewed and approved per the Plan Development and Review (PDR) Document provided by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency. No deficiencies have been identified that would reduce your jurisdiction's ability to effectively respond and recover to disaster or emergency situations. The term of EOP approval is for a two year duration. The next EOP review is due May 2014.

If changes and/or remediation are necessary, enclosed to this memorandum are suggested changes and a remediation plan, as applicable to the review and approval process. It is necessary for your office to forward the suggested changes / remediation activity to the IEMA Regional Office within 60 days. The changes can be made in accordance with the *Record of Changes* process contained within the Forward Section of your Emergency Operations Plan.

If the regional office can be of any assistance please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Stanley W. Krushas



Region Eight Office

10045 Bunkum Road • Fairview Heights, Illinois • 62208-1703 • Telephone (618) 394-2233 • http://www.iema.illinois.gov

JULIE HUBBARD, MSW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# Area Agency on Aging for Lincolnland, Inc.

3100 Montvale Drive Springfield, Illinois 62704-4278 217-787-9234 • 800-252-2918 • Fax 217-787-6290



## <u>ANNOUNCEMENT</u>

May 17, 2012 Springfield, Illinois Contact: Julie Hubbard (217) 787-9234

The Area Agency on Aging for Lincolnland has scheduled Public Hearings on the FY 2012-2014 Area Plan. The purpose of the Public Hearings is to accept testimony from interested individuals pertinent to the Plan. The Public Hearings are scheduled as follows:

June 7, 2012 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Athens Public Library 410 East Hargrave Street Athens, Illinois June 7, 2012 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Golden Age Center 111 West Third Street Beardstown, Illinois

June 11, 2012
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Greene County Senior
Center
320 North Fifth Street
Carrollton, Illinois

Enclosed is a list of sites where a copy of the Public Information Document, summarizing the Plan, is available for review prior to the hearings. The Document is also available for viewing at www.aginglinc.org. Questions concerning the Public Hearings or the Public Information Document may be addressed to the Area Agency on Aging for Lincolnland.

At the Public Hearings, testimony will be accepted without discussion. Written testimony will be accepted at the Area Agency's office through 5:00 p.m. on June 15, 2012.

The Area Agency on Aging for Lincolnland is a private, not-for-profit planning and service organization designated by the Illinois Department on Aging to develop and coordinate programs and support services for older adults and family caregivers in a twelve-county area.

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### Area Agency on Aging for Lincolnland Public Information Document Review Sites FY 2013 Amendment to the FY 2012-2014 Area Plan

MASON
COUNTY

Mason City Public Library

820 West Chestnut Mason City, IL 62664

217/482-3799

Havana Public Library 201 West Adams Street Havana, IL 62644-1321 309/543-4701

MENARD COUNTY

Menard County Transport Office Menard County Courthouse Petersburg, IL 62675-0465

217/632-4412

Petersburg Senior Center 105 South Seventh Street Petersburg, IL 62675

217/632-2854

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Senior Citizens Center

8353 Illinois Rt. 127, PO Box 144

Taylor Springs, IL 62089-0144

217/532-3662

Golden Circle Nutrition

Litchfield Com. and Senior Center 1100 South State St., P.O. Box 424

Litchfield, IL 62056-2487

217/324-3032

MORGAN COUNTY

Prairie Council on Aging

Municipal Building

200 West Douglas Avenue Jacksonville, IL 62650-2094

217/479-4600 ext. 248

Waverly Senior Center

161 North Pearl

Waverly, IL 62692-1008

217/435-3611

SANGAMON COUNTY

Senior Citizens Center 701 West Mason Street Springfield, IL 62702-2499

217/528-4035...

Area Agency on Aging for

Lincolnland

3100 Montvale Drive Springfield, IL 62704

217/787-9234

SCOTT COUNTY Winchester Depot 245 West Cherry

Winchester, IL 62694-1027

217/742-9042

Village Hall Route 100

Bluffs, IL 62621 217/754-3033

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# MACOUPIN COUNTY REVOLVING LOAN FUND MAY 2012 REPORT

REPORT DATE: MAY 31, 2012

**INVOICE DATE RANGE:** THROUGH 5/15/2012 INVOICES

Invoice Date	RLF Loanee	Amount Paid	Due Date	Date Amount Remitted					
12/15/11	159 Fitness	\$485.00	1/17/2012	1/17/2012					
1/15/12	159 Fitness	\$485.83	2/17/2012	2/17/2012					
2/15/12	159 Fitness	\$495.83	3/17/2012	3/16/2012					
3/15/12	159 Fitness	\$482.83	4/17/2012	4/17/2012					
4/15/12	159 Fitness	\$485.83	5/17/2012	5/17/2012					
5/15/12	159 Fitness		6/17/2012						
159 Fitness Initial Principal Balance/Current Principal Balance: \$50,000.00/\$42,673.36									
12/15/11	All Type Hydraulics	\$478.40	12/28/2011	12/28/2011					
1/15/12	All Type Hydraulics	\$478.40	1/28/2011	1/27/2012					
2/15/12	All Type Hydraulics	\$478.40	2/28/2011	2/28/2012					
3/15/12	All Type Hydraulics	\$478.40	3/28/2011	3/30/2012					
4/15/12	All Type Hydraulics	\$478.40	4/28/2011	4/30/2012					
5/15/12	All Type Hydraulics	\$478.40	5/28/2011	5/30/2012					
All Type	<b>Hydraulics Initial Princ</b>	ipal Balance/Cur	rent Principal B	alance: \$35,000.00/\$17,469.19					
1/15/12	Connexus, Inc.	N/A	N/A	See Note 2					
N/A	Connexus, Inc.	\$250.00	Per Agrmt	Payment Made 1/10/12					
N/A	Connexus, Inc.	\$250.00	Per Agrmt	Payment Made 1/31/12					
N/A	Connexus, Inc.	\$100.00	4/10/2012	4/20/2012					
4/23/12	Connexus, Inc.		5/10/2012						
5/15/12	Connexus, Inc.		6/10/2012						
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12/15/11	R&A Enterprises	\$201.85	1/1/2012	12/8/2011					
1/15/12	R&A Enterprises	\$201.85	2/1/2012	2/21/2012					
2/15/12	R&A Enterprises	\$201.85	3/1/2012	3/14/2012					
3/15/12	R&A Enterprises	\$201.85	4/1/2012	4/13/2012					
4/15/12	R&A Enterprises	\$201.85	5/1/2012	5/1/2012					
5/15/12	R&A Enterprises		6/1/2012						
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1/15/12	Mertcantile Center	N/A	1/1/2013						
Mercantile Center Initial Principal Balance/Current Principal Balance: \$10,000.00/ \$10,000.00									
Legend: M=Missed; L=Received Late; (*)=see previous monthly reports for detail									

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Does not include lump sum additional payment at end of note of \$100.00 due to incurring of late fees prior to the writing of the March 2012 note.

**Note1:** Certain balance figures may be slightly different due to not re-amortizing balances every month after an extra payment toward principal. Actual balances will be determined prior to final collection if necessary in any instance. Listed principal balances reflect amortization schedules.

**Note2:** In March, a new note was re-negotiated to supplant the verbal agreement and went into effect after signing with first payment due in April. Mr. Ambrose was given a grace period on his first payment due 4/10/12 because of a mailing issue with the State's Attorney's Office who mailed the new note to be signed by Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose. First payment remitted 4/20/12 with all future payments under new note to be remitted on 10<sup>th</sup> of the month. Late fees are being assessed on all future late payments.

Note3: A \$10,000.00 loan at 3% interest / one-pay note to the Mercantile Center (formerly listed with a separate, current loan under R&A Enterprises) was approved by the County Board at its December 2011 meeting. Per terms of the note, the Mercantile Center is required to appear before the County Board's Economic Development Committee to provide appropriate financial updates and foreclosures in the event the loan has not yet been prepaid. Repayment of the single-pay note is due no later than January 1, 2013.

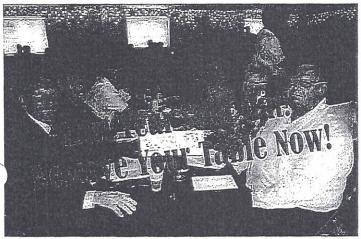


# MEDP'S NewsFlash

MAY 2012

www.macoupinpartners.com

# Tickets Now Available for Annual Dinner



2011 Annual Dinner - Gillespie Civic Center

Macoupin Economic Development Partnership's sold out dinner in 2011 now has tick-

ets available for their June 14, 2012 Annual Dinner. The monies raised goes toward funding the organization, whose actions help to recruit and retain businesses in Macoupin County.

"Macoupin needs MEDP. I would hate to think what our County would be without their efforts," said MEDP Annual Dinner Co-Chair and CEO of Community Memorial Hospital Sue Campbell. "If you have ever received assistance from MEDP now is the time to give back, so their wonderful services and programs can continue to be offered."

The MEDP Annual Dinner will be held Thursday, June 14 at the Gillespie Civic Center located at 115 N. Macoupin St. ED Mullins, CEO of Prairie Farms Dairy will be the keynote speaker, along with the 2011 Macoupin Made Young Leader of the Year Dean Plovich. The New Top 25, Under 45 will be announced and Macoupin Made products will be highlighted throughout the venue.

Tickets are \$400 a table for 8 seats or \$50 a person. Advance ticket sales only. Space is limited.

Tickets can be purchased by contacting Shari Albrecht at 217-556-8696.



Executive Director Shari Albrecht presents President Bob Schwartz and Senior Vice President Kim Harber (far left) of Madison Communications with a check for \$24,448; supported by Macoupin County Board Chairman Andy Manar (far right).

# MEDP Awards \$24,448 to Business Expansion

Madison Communications was awarded \$24,448 in grant funding from Macoupin Economic Development Partnership, as part of their business development program's business retention and expansion services. The monies awarded will assist Madison in their numerous upgrades to increase quality service to their customers.

"Our (business development) program works," said Executive Director Shari Albrecht. "Madison identified an expansion project and a funding need, MEDP was able to access grant funding to assist them. Madison provides some 45 jobs and MEDP's goal is to aid businesses in retaining those positions along with helping them grow."

The grant provided financing needed in determining where Madison was going to make a strategic, capital intensive in-Grant, continued on page 4

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#### Nomination Form

Nominees must live and/or work in Macoupin County. They must also be at least 21 and no older than 45 before May 11, 2012. Nominees and their nominators do **not** have to be members of MEDP to participate. You may nominate more than one person. You can re-nominate a person who was or was not honored last year. An independent panel of judges will determine the winners. A nominee can receive more than one nomination.

Nominee Name
Age/Gender
Occupation/Company
Address
Email
Daytime Phone
Why You Believe They Should Be Honored (you may attach a separate page if needed):
Nominator Name
Occupation/Company
Address
Email
Daytime Phone

Winners will be announced at the MEDP Annual Dinner on June 14.

The deadline for all nomination forms is May 11, 2012

By submitting this application you agree that, in partial consideration for the above noted nominee to be considered for the recognition, you hereby waive any and all claims against Macoupin Economic Development Partnership, all sponsors and supporters of the event, including without limitation all members of the event committee, arising from or connected with your submission of this nomination form and the selection of the recognition recipients.

Return nominations to: <a href="mailto:courtney@macoupinpartners.com">courtney@macoupinpartners.com</a> or mail to Courtney Wood, MEDP, 18400 Shipman Road, Carlinville, IL 62626



# Foreign Trade Zone Conference

Date: Tuesday, May 22, 2012 Time: 9am - 1:30pm (8:00am registration and networking breakfast)

Location: America's Central Port - FTZ #31. 1201 West First Street. Granite City, IL 62040 Cost: FREE Admission

This free, half-day event will provide manufacturers, distribution and logistics companies, economic development representatives, developers and service providers a background on the economic advantages that can be achieved through the use of a foreign-trade zone.

The FTZ program offers tariff benefits and other savings to U.S. exporters and importers, providing incentives to retain and create jobs in the region. These advantages are especially important for the following industries:

- Automotive
- ·Apparel
- •Communications

Grant, continued from page 1 vestment. Madison reviewed the needs associated with a facility required to house a new state-of-the-art digital switching central office and data communications center. The grant allowed Madison to support the capital investment being made in Staunton, IL. The grant allowed for "green" upgrades to the existing downtown facility thus allowing the building to be more energy efficient. This grant provided direct support for the costs associated with the design and installation of a state-of-the-art HVAC system that replaced the existing system, an upgraded commercial power system and construction of additional energy efficient environmental upgrades in the building.

Mr. Bob Schwartz, Madison President, stated, "This award is indicative of the commitment that the Macoupin County Board leaders have made to this region through their support of the MEDP initiatives. Madison Communications is pleased to have been the recipient of a grant that truly embodies the commitment that the County Board, MEDP and the communities have shown in the retention and growth of exiting small, family-owned enterprises in our County.

·Electronics

- ·Pharmaceutical
- ·Industrial machinery

The event is free but limited to the first 100 people due to space limitations — so sign up early! To register, please refer to the attached form or visit http:// www.americascentralport.com/ event/foreign-trade-zone-conference-2012/

Any questions, you can call 618-452-8440 / 618-650-3851 or send an e-mail to International-Trade-Center@siue.edu

This is a compliment to the vision of our civic leaders and specifically the efforts of MEDP. By working with a local business to help support investing in the critical infrastructure needed for access to Cloud Computing Services & Information Technology, we are positioning our region to be in the forefront of the evolution that enables our rural communities. The ability to effectively compete in health care delivery, education and the sustainability of small businesses throughout our region is the key to any successful development effort."

Mr. Kim Harber, Madison Senior Vice President, added "Throughout 2011 Madison Communications began extensive upgrades to its' Staunton building in order to proceed towards the installation of the latest technology for digital voice switching & data communications services." According to Harber, the focus of the Macoupin County Board leaders, coupled

with the efforts of MEDP, have allowed Madison Communications to continue to commit human, technical and capital investment resources to the Macoupin County economic region.

Harber continued, "Following the completion of the 2011 switch installation, the Staunton facility now houses the host communication infrastructure that provides service to all Madison customers. Madison's continued investment in this region will allow our employees to deliver premier voice, video and data services to all of our customers current and future needs. Madison's investment also provides the capability to serve the region with a totally redundant IP (Internet Protocol) data network for the secure, virtually uninterrupted delivery, of all the services we provide our customers."

"This project proves that 'business retention' spans a wide spectrum and there is no doubt that seeking lower energy costs through these types of efficiencies are a major part of the equation," said Macoupin County Board Chairman Andy Manar. "As a valuable company to Macoupin County and its residents and strong employer in the community, I'm proud of the fact that MEDP could work with Madison Communications to again produce positive results."

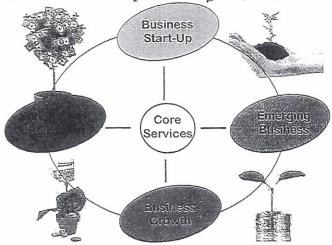
## Calendar of Events

- Tuesday, May 22 6pm MEDP Executive Committee Meeting, LCCC Macoupin Center
- Thursday, June 14 MEDP Annual Dinner
- Gillespie Civic Center.
- · Thursday, June 21 Progressive Retailing
- Mayor's Council Legislative Reception: Be on the look-out for date in June.
- July 16-21 Macoupin Made at the County Fair. Check out Macoupin Made products on display in the Bates Building, 4-9 p.m. each night of the Fair.
- August 3: Grit and Grace Women in Leadership/Business Night out

MEDP Executive
Board Meetings
are now the

4th Tuesday of the
Month, 6pm, LCCC
Macoupin Center
Carlinville
All Members are still
welcome to attend.

### New Business Development Program, Continued...



This marks the final installment of MEDP's new Business Development Program. To view the entire program, go to www.macoupinpartners.com or contact Shari Albrecht 217-556-8696 for more information.

#### ESTABLISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Industry Clusters MEDP's Business Development Committee is working to define business sectors in an effort to give a collective voice to Macoupin's industries.
- 2. Business Retention & Expansion MEDP implements business retention visits to some of Macoupin's largest companies. Providing any applicable services while maintaining an all over account of the County's business industry health.

## MEDP Membership Renewals

Thank you to our members who have renewed for 2012 (April 1 - April 27, 2012)

Carlinville School District

Thomas Printing

Cahokia Township



Profitable retail service business for sale in Gillespie. Started in 1952, this is an established second generation busi-For inquiries, ness. contact Shari Albrecht, MEDP Executive Director 217-556-8696.

#### 3. Workforce Development

MEDP participated in the West Central Illinois Workforce Assessment Survey as part of Ameren's Quality of Labor Program. From this a workforce development roundtable was held and action items were identified.

#### CORE SERVICES

- 1. Business Marketing
  - A. On-line Marketing Focusing on Public/Private Partnership MEDP is in the final stages of partnering with GPie Media to offer www.shopmacoupinmatters.com an e-commerce site to purchase locally grown and produced products
  - B. Business Directory macoupinpartners.com A list of chamber members broken down into categories can be found at MEDP's website
  - C. Macoupin Matters Shop Local The County's first shop local effort to raise awareness to Shop Your Hometown First, Your County Second like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/macoupinmatters
- 2. Business District Development
  - A. Municipal Development Infrastructure, Downtown, Sites Maps have been created of business districts with building owners identified. Buildings and Sites available for sale or lease are cataloged for free for potential recruitments
- 3. Networking
  - A. Macoupin County Mayor's Council The Council meets quarterly hosting a legislative reception, funding forum and networking events.
  - B. Networking Group
  - C. Coffee & Commerce Quarterly events each with unique topics to inspire, education or network business and community leaders
- 4. Access to Capital
  - A. Macoupin County Revolving Loan Fund MEDP markets the fund. An application and guidelines can be found at www.maoupinpartners.com
  - B. Macoupin County Community Development Corporation
  - C. TIF Tax Increment Financing
  - G. Small Business District MEDP has professional consultants that will work with communities wishing to establish TIF or Small Business districts.
- 5. Education
  - A. Business Education

Periodically business education workshops/seminars are conducted to keep Macoupin businesses aware of up-to-date best practices.

Call us today - to see how MEDP can assist you!

# **IewsFlash**

For more information about Macoupin Economic Development Partnership or newsletter submissions

contact:

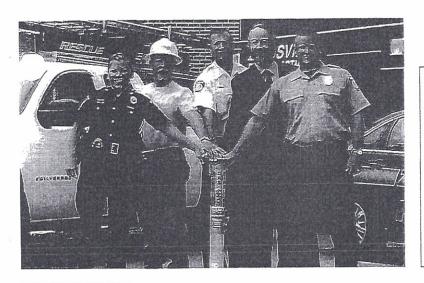
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## 2012 PUBLIC AWARENESS SURVEY

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3.	Yes		lave you or anyone else in your agency seen, heard or received any information egarding pipeline safety in the last year?					
4.	Yes		ou or anyone else in your agency have a response plan for responding to a line incident or leak?					
5.	Yes	_No - Ha	ave you or anyone else in yo	our agency ever attended a NIP.	A meeting?			
		If	you were unable to attend,	please indicate why.				
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# **Working Together for Public Safety**





Northern/Central Illinois Pipeline Association

NIPA is an association of pipeline companies with facilities in the northern and central sections of Illinois (north of I-70). Our mission is to establish a Public Awareness Program and create an ongoing working liaison between our companies and the communities we are involved with - including emergency responders and public officials. We believe organization and active involvement with our communities is essential to the safe operation of our business.

Pipeline Safety Meetings

Attendance

Survey

Drawing \$\$

Website: ILNIPA.com

Email: ILNIPA@ yahoo.com

Updates

nank You!!

Each year, NIPA holds pipeline safety meetings in the fall at several locations around the state. Local pipeline operators sponsor these meetings and emergency responders and public officials are invited to attend. These meetings include a presentation on pipeline safety and provide information on our products, the location of our facilities, local area office contacts and emergency response. We also provide a free lunch / dinner and door prizes.

Your attendance at these meetings is important to the safety of the community and will help us meet the goals of our public awareness program. Your attendance also gives us an opportunity to meet the people we may be working side by side with someday in an emergency.

To help promote these meetings, we have enclosed a Public Awareness Survey form. This form will provide us with an understanding of your pipeline knowledge, how we can better schedule these meetings to promote attendance and the correct contact information for our invitation database. Your information and opinion is important to us!

A drawing from the returned Survey forms will be held September 1, 2012. The winning agency will receive \$100! The winner of the 2011 drawing was the Illinois State Police, Dist 08, Metamora, IL.

NIPA would also like to provide you with information about our pipelines. Enclosed in this packet you will find information on pipeline operations and pipeline emergency contacts. In addition, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.ILNIPA.com">www.ILNIPA.com</a>. This website provides information on pipeline operators with links to their individual company websites, emergency numbers, local area office contacts, counties and products. Please be sure to review our site and let us know if you have any questions by emailing <a href="https://www.ILNIPA@yahoo.com">ILNIPA@yahoo.com</a>.

Updates for the NIPA Emergency Responder Manual will be available for each emergency response agency at the 2012 Fall meetings. Updated pages will be available or you can choose to receive a complete updated manual on CD.

Please take a moment to complete the attached survey and return it to one of the locations listed at the bottom of the survey form. Your help in making our public awareness program a success will be greatly appreciated.