

# WOOD COUNTY UNDERAGE DIVERSION PROGRAM

## WOOD COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES

RIVERBLOCK BUILDING,  
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WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI 54495

<https://www.co.wood.wi.us/Departments/HumanServices/AODA.aspx>

PH. 715-421-8800



Available to Wood County residents ages 12 – 18 years

Classes offered in April, August, and December.  
Sessions will be held the first and second Tuesday and Wednesday of each month from 3:15 – 4:45 pm.

### What Can Participants Expect?

Participants will learn about the risks of alcohol and drug use and gain problem-solving skills for peer interactions. Four 90-minute classes are facilitated by a licensed mental health and substance abuse clinician and provide education related to:

- Underage drinking risks, impacts, and statistics
- Physical, mental, social, and environmental effects of drinking
- Drinking, binge-drinking, and Wisconsin culture
- Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) and levels of impairment
- Genetic predisposition and addiction
- Problem solving and decision-making
- Illicit drug information

Classes are interactive, and include:

- Participant presentations
- Informational handouts and videos
- Class activities
- Appropriate, topic-related class discussions

**Individuals must attend each class in order to successfully complete the program. Upon successful completion, citation can be dismissed.**

## Referrals

Self/Parent, Court/Justice System, Human Services, Schools, or Therapist

## Registration

Registration may be completed by phone or in-person at Wood County Human Services.

**There is no fee to participate.**

**If a participant has received an underage drinking citation, please provide a copy when registering.**

How does this program differ from the Adolescent Diversion Program (ADP)?

ADP is an 18-week intervention program that works to reduce the number of youth who intersect with the youth justice system. To learn more, contact Angela O'Day at 715-421-8650 or [aoday@co.wood.wi.us](mailto:aoday@co.wood.wi.us).

## Additional Diversion Programs in Wood County

Age Served			Length of Program	Referral Source	Key Topics	Citation Dismissed			Cost
17 & under	12 – 18 years	18 – 20 years				Yes	No	N/A	
<p><b>Adolescent Diversion Program (ADP), CW Solutions/Wood County Human Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth must live or attend school in Wood County</li> <li>Case manager works directly with individual youth each week and can connect family to community resources</li> <li>A citation is not required to participate in the program nor will completion of the program result in dismissal of a citation</li> </ul> <p>Contact: Angela O'Day, ADP Supervisor  <a href="mailto:aoday@co.wood.wi.us">aoday@co.wood.wi.us</a> or Ph. 715-421-8650</p>									
✓			18 weeks (6 – 8 hours per week)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Human Services</li> <li>Law Enforcement</li> <li>School</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community engagement</li> <li>Decision-making</li> <li>Overcoming automatic responses</li> <li>Problem solving</li> <li>Prosocial behavior</li> <li>Solution focus vs. Problem focus</li> </ul>		✓	✓	N/A
<p><b>Youth Diversion Programs, Grand Rapids &amp; Town of Saratoga Police Department*</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Municipal citation dismissed upon completion of course and payment of fine</li> <li>Youth must appear for both initial and return court appearance</li> </ul> <p>Contact: Melvin K. Pedersen, Chief of Police  <a href="mailto:M.Pederson@grandrapidswi.org">M.Pederson@grandrapidswi.org</a> or Ph. 715-424-1821</p>									
✓			3-hour online course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grand Rapids or Town of Saratoga</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Alcohol Wise JV</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Covers underage drinking, alcohol prevention education</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Marijuana 101 JV</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Covers marijuana use</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Nicotine 101 JV</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Covers underage commercial nicotine use</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Under the Influence</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Covers underage and high-risk drinking</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	✓			\$60 + fine

\*Grand Rapids Police Department contracts with third party vendor, 3<sup>rd</sup> Millennium Classrooms