

## **Alcohol Tax Fund 2009**

Applications for funding through the Alcohol Tax Fund will be available May 5<sup>th</sup>, and are due July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008. The Alcohol Tax Fund supports efforts to prevent substance abuse and provide intervention, treatment and recovery services to Johnson County, Kansas residents. Agencies with 501(c)(3) status, departments of county government, and Johnson County public school districts are eligible to apply. Approximately \$1.3 million will be awarded.

First time applicants should contact Valorie Carson, UCS Community Planning Director, to discuss eligibility ([valoriec@ucsjoco.org](mailto:valoriec@ucsjoco.org) or 913-438-4764). A pre-submission meeting for first time and current applicants will be held on Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 4:00 pm at UCS' office (12351 W 96<sup>th</sup> Terrace, Suite 200, Lenexa, KS). Current recipients of Alcohol Tax Funds will receive the 2009 application via email by Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.

The Alcohol Tax Fund (ATF) is a coordinated funding process that awards local alcohol excise taxes to organizations serving Johnson County, Kansas residents. Johnson County Government and the cities of Gardner, Leawood, Lenexa, Mission, Olathe, Overland Park, Prairie Village and Shawnee participate. The Drug and Alcoholism Council (DAC), a program of United Community Services, coordinates the process, which provides a structured, accountable system that enables nonprofit agencies, departments of county government and Johnson County public school districts to access funds from multiple jurisdictions to serve local substance abuse needs.

### Funding Priorities

The ATF targets programs that prevent substance abuse and provide intervention, treatment and recovery services to Johnson County residents. Funding priorities and goals include:

- Preventing and responding to underage substance use;
- Preventing and responding to substance abuse across the lifespan; AND
- Supporting evidence-based education and prevention programs and services; OR
- Supporting best practice or model substance abuse intervention, treatment and/or recovery programs and services.

The grant cycle follows the calendar year. In 2009, the DAC expects to recommend approximately \$1.3 million in funding. While the DAC reviews eligible applications and makes recommendations to the participating jurisdictions, the jurisdictions have the final authority when making awards.

For additional information contact Valorie Carson, Community Planning Director at 913-438-4764.