

Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative

Partners for Healthy Communities

Coalition Mission: To create a healthy and safe community in the Mt. Adams School District and White Swan area.



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White Swan Arts & Recreation Community Coalition *White Swan, WA*

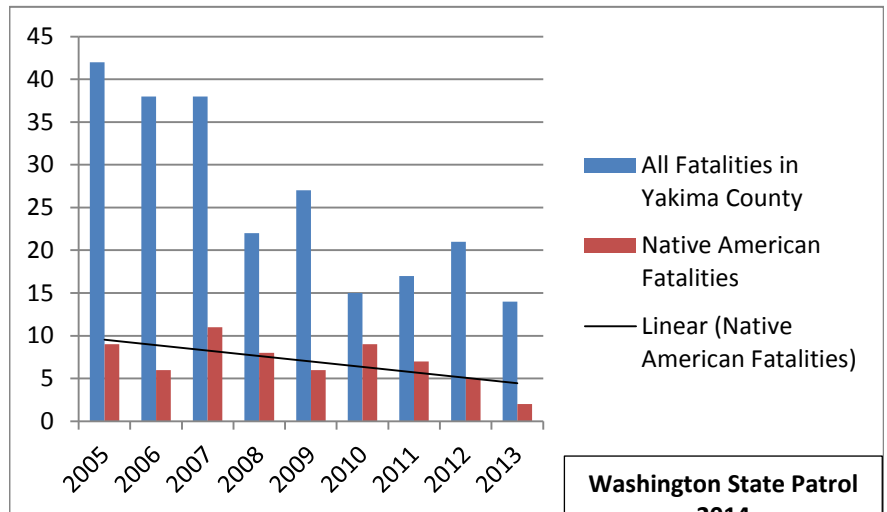


About the Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI):

CPWI is a partnership of state agencies, counties, schools and local prevention coalitions supporting communities in preventing alcohol and other drug abuse and its negative consequences. By providing evidence-based practices and promoting the positive changes in communities, we can build healthier communities.

About the Coalition: Communities and Schools Working Together

The White Swan Arts & Recreation Community Coalition was founded in 2006. The coalition is represented by parents, educators, faith-based groups, law enforcement officers, business owners, youth, substance use treatment providers, and health care providers. Three of our major accomplishments have been reducing past month alcohol use by 8th grade students, reducing motor vehicle fatalities, and passing a Social Host Ordinance.



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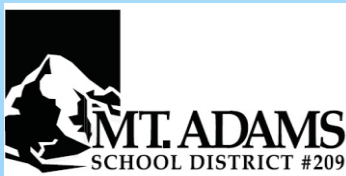
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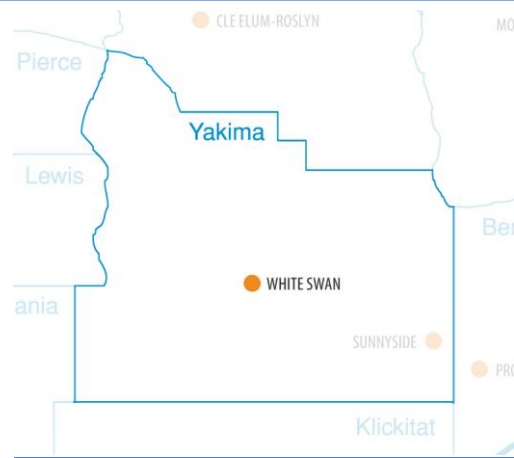
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About Our Community

White Swan is a small, rural, unincorporated community located on the Yakama Indian Reservation. The community is known for its friendly feeling of family. The community is the site for Ft. Simcoe State Park, the Treaty Day Rodeo, Parade, and Pow Wow. Families work together for food harvesting, fishing, hunting, and gathering. The main sources of employment are the Yakama Nation, Mt. Adams School District, and agricultural opportunities.

The largest ethnic group among community members is Native American, followed by Hispanic and then Caucasian. In addition to suffering from economic challenges, the community lacks a local city government or police force. The community is also geographically challenged due to the distance families must travel to receive services.

About Prevention Programs in our Community

Our highest priority is to reduce underage drinking and marijuana use among 8th and 10th grade students. The following evidenced-based programs are available.

- Strong Families for parents
- PAX Good Behavior Game for middle school students
- Marijuana Media Campaign
- DUI Emphasis Patrol
- TIPP Line to report underage drinking and drug use.

Our Strengths include:

- Small rural community where everyone knows everyone
- Committed community partners
- Building sustainability

Our challenges include:

- No city government
- Jurisdictional issues between Tribal, County and State
- High levels of substance abuse