

Please join us!

We are your neighbors and friends. We are also local businesses, faith communities, service groups, medical providers, educators, governmental agencies, law enforcement agencies and many others. We support other local groups such as the Boy and Girl Scouts, the Chamber of Commerce and Historical Society. You are invited to attend our meetings and be involved with growing our community.

In addition to being a member, please consider becoming a sponsor. We are a non-profit organization and rely on donations and grants to continue the programs we run. Call our Executive Director for more information.

Membership Application

The organization, business or individual named below agrees to support the mission and purposes of the CWC and wishes to become a member.

Name _____

Contact Person _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

Email _____

Signature _____

Date _____



Community Wellness Connection

Help us

Promote a Safe, Healthy, Caring and Exciting Community

Community Wellness Connection of South Kent



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The mission of the Community Wellness Connection is to advocate and assist community wellness by proactively coordinating all the resources of the community.

Who are we?

CWC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit volunteer organization that helps coordinate all the resources of our community towards the goal of community wellness. When we started in 1996 our concerns were primarily related to the illicit use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs by our youth. Since then, our mission has expanded to proactively advocate and promote healthy and positive behaviors throughout our community.

The Community Wellness Connection is a community coalition of individuals, schools, faith communities, health service, governmental, and law enforcement agencies, as well as civic organizations, businesses, media and others. Our focus is on youth and families. Families are the fundamental and foundational resource in the community. They are assisted by public and private schools in the nurturing of their children educationally and by religious institutions spiritually. Area businesses provide leadership, meaningful employment, goods and services for our community. The businesses along with our police and government agencies guide our community's development and promote respect for the prevention of destructive behaviors and the safety of the community.

We have an Executive Director funded through local sources with an Executive Committee and a wider Advisory Group. The Executive Director facilitates communication among groups and develops and helps administer joint activities.



Membership

Membership in the Community Wellness Connection is open to any organization (such as schools, businesses, governmental units, service agencies or religious institutions) in the Byron or South Kent community dedicated to the wellness of the community. Individuals who live or work in the community are also eligible for membership. Individuals and organizations interested in being members must support the mission and purposes of the CWC.

Our members are an important part of CWC—they serve on committees, join us in developing programs and activities and volunteer to make those programs and activities happen in our community.

Funding

Donations to CWC are investments in the future of a healthy and safe community. Tax-deductible donations are accepted from corporations, businesses, agencies and individuals. Other funding comes from fundraising events and government and other grants.

What do we do?

ATOD Prevention

- Poster contest at Byron Days Festival
- Community Prevention Plan

Youth Activities

- Byron Skate Park
- Grand Rapids Foundation—Youth Grant Committee

Health-Related Activities

- Byron Farmers' Market
- Senior Life Trail
- Quarterly senior health screening programs
- Partnering with St. Mary's Hospital and MetroHealth

Community-Building Activities

- Annual Halloween Trunk or Treat
- Annual Christmas Parade
- Byron Days Festival
- CERT Training
- Community Resource Center

Fundraisers

- Annual Hockey Benefit
 - Benefit fundraisers for community members in need
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