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Wyoming Department of Health:

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support for our Johnson County Prevention Council, which is a valued tool within our community and an asset for the Buffalo Police Department.

I have had the pleasure of working on the council for over eight years and seeing the positive impact we have taken within our community with these efforts:

- Working with the youths in High School with "Bison Choice, SWAT and Take it Back".
- Working with City Council to create a "Social Host Ordinance" to deal with underage drinking.
- Training in Intervention Procedures (TiPS) training, has been a very successful tool for the Buffalo
 Police Department. I have had the pleasure of being an instructor for TiPS and working with PMO
 staff in teaching responsible serving within our community. This has established positive working
 relationships within our community for the servers and owners of our liquor establishment's.
 As of today we have over 150 servers trained in TiPS.
- The Buffalo Police Department participates in the WASCOP compliance check grants for alcohol
 and tobacco. With over 150 servers trained in TiPS, our amount of sales to under age minors has
 drastically improved to 87% of the business check not selling to the confidential informant that
 enters their establishment. These is the success of retailers properly checking ID's to prevent
 underage sales.
- The Buffalo Police Department participates in the prevention of Prescription drug abuse and as of today we have collected over 100 pounds of medications.
- The Buffalo Police Department participated in 36 community events this last calendar year and I
 am proud to say we only had one arrest for Public Intoxication during these events. This is a
 collaborative effort from the PMO, Event Kits from the Chamber, TiPS training which ensures
 properly checking IDs to prevent underage sales.
- The Buffalo Police Department staff is trained with QPR and is a valued tool for our Department, when dealing with calls of possible suicidal thoughts.

In conclusion, I fully support the efforts of the Johnson County Prevention Council as they seek grant funding to support a program designed to benefit Johnson County. Any program which impacts so many areas of our community on a daily basis, is a huge assist not only to our community but the daily activity of the Buffalo Police Department.

Sincerely,

Jason T. Carder Police Chief