

## Come Stomp With Us



Help empower awareness about the danger of drugs and alcohol through film!

The Livonia Save Our Youth Task Force has teamed up with the Livonia Police Department and other great sponsors to challenge professional and first-time filmmakers alike to leave audiences in awe with their anti-drug video creations.

Stomp Drugs is adding another component to its festival by including a 48-hour film challenge! This block will challenge those who are creative under timed pressure. Those interested in participating will meet at a location and be given their topic challenge. Participants will then have 48-hours to complete their given film challenge.

All films will be judged by a panel consisting of a film director, actor, and writer. There will also be great prizes to be announced soon. You won't want to miss your chance to participate in this creative community event and watch the premiere at Emagine Theatre of Canton.

Originally scheduled for a November 2010 deadline, the contest has been extended to March 31, 2011. Check the contest web site for details and information about how you can participate, sponsor, and spread the word! Help spread an important awareness and stomp drugs out with your visionary film production!

visit [www.stompdugsfilmfestival.org](http://www.stompdugsfilmfestival.org)

## New Office Space

We are excited to announce that the Livonia Save Our Youth Task Force has found office space to hold our monthly meetings and supplies. We deeply value and appreciate all community members who have offered your donations and help in finding space. After careful thought, we have decided to hold our office at 8623 Wayne Road, Suite 102, Westland, 48185.

## RAD Recap

Formally known as Run Drugs Out of Town, the Livonia Police Department sponsored the fourth annual Run Against Drugs on June 12, 2010 at Nankin Mills of Hines Park. This annual 5k/10 Run and Walk helps support the Livonia Save Our Youth Task Force and their positive efforts in spreading community awareness about the danger of drugs and alcohol.

Over 500 members enjoyed the exercise, lunch, entertainment, and family expo of childrens activities and informational booths. Thank you to all sponsors, volunteers, and participants! We look forward to seeing you next year. Mark June 11, 2011 on your calendars!

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## Join Our Efforts

Participate in our meetings to learn about how you can aid in our efforts. We appreciate your volunteer help.

First Wednesday of every month:  
6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Suite 102, 8623 Wayne Road,  
Westland, MI 48185

## Follow Us Online

[www.saveouryouthtaskforce.org](http://www.saveouryouthtaskforce.org)



Find our page on Facebook



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## Upcoming Events

### First Wednesday of Every Month General Task Force Meetings

All are welcome to our monthly meetings where we discuss current events, upcoming projects, and brainstorm ways to aid our efforts. We appreciate your volunteered support!

#### February 9, 2011

Drugs 101

Churchill High School will be hosting a Drugs 101 presentation. Check the web site for details.

#### February 18, 2011

48-Hour Challenge

The Stomp Drugs Film Festival is hosting a 48-hour video challenge. Are you up for the creative challenge?

#### February 20, 2011

Stomp Drugs Film Festival Entries Due

All film entries are due for the Stomp Drugs Film Festival contest. Don't miss deadline entry!

#### March 10, 2011

Town Hall Event

Stay tuned for information about our next Town Hall currently planned for the winter of 2011.

#### March 31, 2011

Stomp Drugs Film Festival Screening

Don't miss the creative film screening at Emagine Theatre in Canton. Learn more at [stompdugsfilmfestival.org](http://stompdugsfilmfestival.org).

## Visit Our New Web Site

The Livonia Save Our Youth Task Force web site has grown with a new look and organization to its navigation. Information about our efforts, upcoming events, news, and community resources can now be accessed and shared easier with our improved design.

You can also connect with us on Facebook and Twitter as another way to stay connected with our efforts and share information and conversation with others. We are excited about all the helpful information we can share online and look forward to your online visit.

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## Get a Free Presentation

If your civic, church, school group, or organization is interested in obtaining a free speaker on a wide range of topics concerning drug or alcohol prevention please call 1-734-293-4243 for more information. Professionals are represented from St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Dawn Farms, Hegira Programs, local educators, and law enforcement. Let us help educate an awareness needing to be heard.

## Is K2 Being Sold Near You? It's Illegal.

Michigan has outlawed synthetic marijuana, and possession or use of it is now a misdemeanor. Commonly known as "K2" and "Spice", mixtures of spices and herbs are sprayed with a synthetic compound similar to marijuana's psychoactive ingredient, THC. Users smoke the mixture in joints or pipes for a marijuana-like high. Other states are considering similar bills.

Join Together. (2010, Oct 4). Mich. Makes Synthetic Pot Illegal . Retrieved Nov 27, 2010, from [jointogether.org: http://www.jointogether.org/news/headlines/inthenews/2010/mich-makes-synthetic-pot.html](http://www.jointogether.org/news/headlines/inthenews/2010/mich-makes-synthetic-pot.html)

## New Task Force Student Chapter

Schoolcraft College has just started the first Save Our Youth Task Force chapter! We look forward to working with the students and faculty of Schoolcraft College to work on projects and combine our forces to aid in our shared mission. You can find more information about this chapter and participating in your own chapter on our web site. We appreciate your support!

## Fall Tailgates Bring Fun and Activity

The Livonia Save Our Youth Task Force hosted safe tailgates with SADD groups before the high school homecoming games this Fall. Many students enjoyed the drug-free haven before kickoff with free food and activities. We have fun connecting with the students and appreciate the support of Stevenson, Churchill, Franklin, and Clarenceville in allowing us to continue this positive, safe, and enjoyable annual event.