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S.A.F.E. Coalition Members presents Certificate of Appreciation to Franklin Resident Sam Pfeiffer for his Fundraising Efforts

Sam Pfeiffer, an 8th grade student at the Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School (BFCCPS), raised \$280 for the S.A.F.E. Coalition as part of his Capstone project. The project aimed to help educate middle school students at his school about the ongoing opioid crisis, and raise funds to support those affected by Substance Use Disorder in the greater Franklin area. Sam raised the money by organizing two separate events: a popsicle sale at BFCCPS in the spring and a lemonade stand sale at the school's annual back-to-school picnic, during which he handed out brochures and other supporting information provided by the S.A.F.E. Coalition to help increase awareness in the community.

The presentation was made November 22, 2016 during the S.A.F.E. Coalition Meeting at the Franklin Municipal Building. Shown in the picture are S.A.F.E. Board of Directors members Megan Lazarek (Member), Jennifer Knight (Vice President), Jim Derick (President), Sam Pfeiffer, Jordan Warnick (Secretary) and Steve Spiewakowski (Member).

In acknowledging the enormous action on Sam's part Jim Derick (President) said: 'If there were more Sam's involved, we would be able to bring the crisis under control...' and ... 'it brings in a new generation into the fight [sic against Substance Use Disorder].'

'It [sic, these funds alone] will support S.A.F.E. phone services for more than a year.'

Sam also received a letter of congratulations from Rep. Jeff Roy, who could not be present.

S.A.F.E. is a coalition of community partners who have come together to provide support, education, treatment options, and coping mechanisms for those affected by substance abuse disorder. We do so by empowering those affected, including their families, with the tools necessary to succeed on their journey to recovery. We understand that while I can't, we can.

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