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2nd Annual Teen Drug Summit

St. Charles County, Missouri – Prosecuting Attorney Tim Lohmar has united with many community partners of educators, law enforcement, treatment providers and community leaders to create a coalition to CRUSH (Community Resources United to Stop Heroin) the heroin epidemic in our County. CRUSH will host the 2nd annual Teen Drug Summit on November 12, 2015 from 9:00am to 1:30 pm. The summit will be held at the St. Charles Convention Center and will involve a comprehensive training effort for approximately 350-400 St. Charles County middle school youth.

The goal of the summit is to educate and empower our St. Charles County student leaders to return to their respective schools and spread the message about the dangers of heroin and equip students with the knowledge to stay drug free. The students are educated on addiction as well as legal ramifications of heroin use; hearing firsthand accounts from undercover drug enforcement detectives and from several individuals who are recovering from heroin addiction. The continuing message from prosecutors, drug task force officers, recovering addicts and community leaders is “Not Even Once.”

“One of the most effective ways to spread the message to our community’s teenagers about the dangers of heroin is to educate and empower student leaders to take the message back to their schools: heroin use is not okay.”

Many coalition members and local businesses helped sponsor the event including: SSM Healthcare, St. Charles County Treatment Court, High Intensity Drug Trafficking, Drug Enforcement Agency, Optimist Club, Bridgeway Behavioral Health, Avertest, Preferred Family Health, national Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. Thanks to all of our sponsors. To learn more about CRUSH visit our website at http://www.sccmo.org/1541/CRUSH

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