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BURNSVILLE POLICE PARTNERING ON ‘THE TOP SECRET PROJECT’

Unique Program Designed to Help Parents Recognize Signs of Risky Behavior

The Burnsville Police Department is one of many local organizations partnering to bring “The Top Secret Project” to Dakota County. This unique program, created by the *Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation*, is designed to help parents and professionals recognize potential warning signs for youth.

What: The Top Secret Project: Decoding the Mysteries of the Teen Domain
Who: Adults Only
When: Wednesday, Oct. 25 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Where: Eastview High School Performing Arts Center | 6200 140th St. W., Apple Valley
Cost: FREE

The interactive exhibit, which uses a simulated teenager’s bedroom, includes hundreds of items that – when seen through an educated lens – could be signs of a problem.

Participants will learn to identify objects that could be warning signs for potentially risky behavior. Many seemingly ordinary items can actually be signs that a young adult is involved in risky, harmful or illegal activity.

A presentation by Dakota County representatives will provide participants with insights into some of the items in the room and identify how each can signal a warning about alcohol, drug use, suicidal thoughts, eating disorders, bullying, criminal or gang activity, and other mental health concerns.

This event is made possible by support from the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, THRIVE! Family Support, Dakota County Sheriff’s Office, Dakota County Attorney’s Office, Parents are Key (Eastview High School), Know the Truth, Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District 191, Apple Valley Police Department and Burnsville Police Department.

For more information on this event contact Pam Lanhart at 612-554-1544. For more information on Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation’s “The Top Secret Project,” and for resources related to prevention, early intervention, drug trends, mental health resources and more visit www.TopSecretProject.org.

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Decoding the Mysteries of the Teen Domain

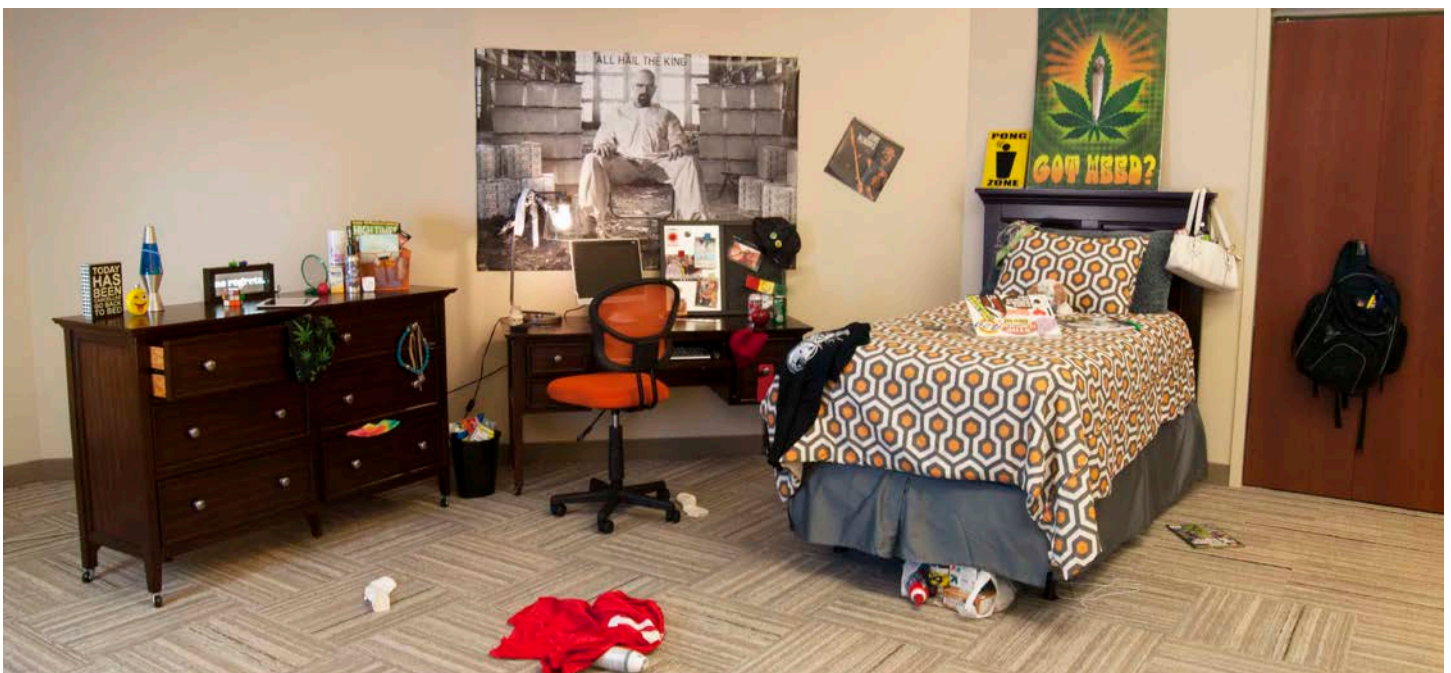
A TRAVELING EXHIBIT & PROGRAM FOR PARENTS



What is The Top Secret Project?

The Top Secret Project is a unique traveling exhibit designed to help parents recognize unfamiliar hazards that are often in plain sight. Using a simulated teenager's bedroom, the interactive exhibit includes hundreds of items that when seen through an educated lens, could be a signal that there's a problem.

The exhibit is interactive and accompanied by a presentation and a discussion with presenters from Dakota County.



All are welcome to attend this free event to learn more about potential hidden hazards in a teen's domain...FOR ADULTS ONLY

Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Eastview High School Performing Arts Center

6200 140th Street West, Apple Valley

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Resources open at 6:00 p.m.

Certificates of
Attendance
provided

For more information, contact Pam Lanhart at 612-554-1644



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