June 2024



Read about all what the coalition has been up to this past month!



"You already have everything you need inside of you right now, today." -Alicia Keys

# **Rockville ROCKS Block Party!**

On May 18th, The Vernon ROCKS Coalition celebrated <u>National Prevention Week</u> at our Rockville ROCKS Community Block Party! The event was free and open to the public, with the goal of strengthening community bonds and connecting people with information and services that promote healthy mental health and reduce substance use.

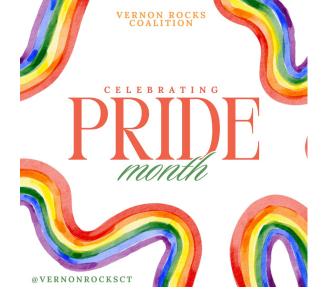
We had a resource fair with over 16 vendors from organizations in the mental health and substance use field, a face painter, ice cream, music, Hidden in Plain Sight, and many more exciting activities!



## Happy PRIDE Month

The Vernon ROCKS Coalition stands in solidarity with the LGBTQAI2S+ community.

PRIDE month was developed to raise awareness and encourage inclusiveness. Sexual minorities frequently encounter social stigma, discrimination, and additional hurdles such as violence and harassment. These factors, combined with other stressors, elevate the risk of substance use among sexual minorities.



The Vernon ROCKS Coalition wants to be a part of preventing that and creating an inclusive space for all. For information and resources on preventing youth LGBTQIA+ substance use **check out our website**.



### **RHS Senior Prom**

Recently, RHS seniors enjoyed their prom! The coalition handed out sunglasses with prevention messages, promoting safe celebrations and good decision-making. We hope all students had a fun and safe experience!

### **Congratulations RHS Seniors!**

Congratulations to the Rockville High School Class of 2024!

May new opportunities find you, and may success always be by your side. While you mark this achievement with loved ones, please ensure to celebrate safely.

Happy Graduation!



#### Website

If you or a loved one is having trouble with substance abuse check out the available resources in the area.

If you are aware of an underage party or illegal activity follow the link and submit the anonymous form below, and the Vernon ROCKS Coalition will work with the Vernon Police Department to prevent or stop the



activity.

Get Involved

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