



## Nebraska Collegiate Consortium To Reduce High-Risk Drinking Mini-Grant Program Final Report

### Southeast Community College Off-Campus Living Guide December 9, 2008

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#### **Rationale**

There are consequences for hosting parties that become out of control. Failure to control the noise or disruptive guest behavior can result in one of several citations ranging from “Disturbing the Peace” to “Maintaining a Disorderly House”. Penalties for Multiple Disorderly House citations include mandatory jail time and a fine of up to \$500. In 2007, the Nebraska State Legislature passed the “social host” law which holds anyone serving alcohol to a minor in their home or property under their control civilly liable for people suffering any damages as a result of that sale to a minor or providing alcohol to a minor in a social setting. The majority of DUI offenders report they had their last drink in a private home versus a bar or restaurant.

In a campaign titled “We Agree”; SCC, UNL and Nebraska Wesleyan reinforce the collaboration between the campuses and the city, educate students about the consequences for hosting these parties and encourage students to adopt practices that keep their parties from becoming disruptive to surrounding neighbors.

#### **Clearly state the objective met from the strategic plan.**

**Goal 4:** Improve relationships between neighborhood residents and SCC students.

**Objective 1:** Disorderly house citations from Lincoln Police Department to SCC students will decrease 6% over the next 3 years.

#### **State precisely how the funds enable the objective to be met.**

This mini-grant paid for printing of the Southeast Community College “A Guide for Students Living Off-Campus”. The off-campus living guide was developed by Stacey Harrifeld, Student Activities Coordinator, Stephen Dietz, Student Retention Specialist, and Theresa Webster, Associate Dean of Student Services. The SCC print shop assisted with editing and formatting the final project. 3000 guides were printed. Guides are currently begin distributed to students during new student orientation and are displayed throughout the student services offices (admissions, registration, career advising, student retention, and student activities). The goal is to have all the guides distributed within the next 6 months.

#### **How will meeting the objective be measured?**

Citations from the Lincoln Police Department (LPD) related to maintaining or being an inmate of a disorderly house or selling/giving alcohol to a minor will continue to be logged. Information regarding the number of SCC students that receive these citations is collected and percentages are calculated.