



PROmoting School-community-university Partnership to Enhance Resiliency (PROSPER)

PROSPER is a model for bringing evidence-based prevention programs to schools and communities with the goal of strengthening families, building youth skills, and reducing youth substance use as well as other problem behaviors. PROSPER programs are led by community teams made up of representatives from Penn State Extension, school district personnel, representatives from community service agencies, parents, youth, and other community members.

General



2002-2004
First Two Cohorts

11,000

Youth participated in the NIH study



2002-2019
Scientific Publications

154

Sustainability



2004-2019
Total Resources Raised

\$4,537,654

Participation



2002-2019
Participation in the Commonwealth

20

 Counties

28

 Schools

2005-2019
Families that Participated

2,264

Total families



2010-2019
Youth Participants

22,744

In school-based

Volunteers



2004-2019

Volunteer hours

46,249

Volunteer hours cash value

\$978,860

an average of \$21.17/hour

Outcomes



For every 100 youth in PROSPER communities, there were:

7 ↓ fewer youth that misused prescription drugs

6 ↓ fewer youth that tried marijuana

6 ↓ fewer youth that tried ecstasy

4 ↓ fewer youth that tried meth

4 ↓ fewer youth that tried LSD

4 ↓ fewer youth that tried cocaine