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## **CADCA Recognizes Holmes County Prevention Coalition and YHRC**

**Millersburg, Ohio, February 2, 2009** – On January 15, 2009, Your Human Resource Center was notified that the Holmes County Prevention Coalition – coordinated by YHRC staff – was selected to receive the Chairman’s Award from the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America. The coalition will be recognized at CADCA’s 19th National Leadership Forum Award Luncheon February 12, 2009 in Washington, DC.

The Chairman’s Award recognizes an outstanding graduate of the National Coalition Academy. The academy is a year-long innovative training program that combines classroom experience, distance learning and web-support to help communities sustain a highly effective anti-drug coalition. The goal of the academy is to create teams of change agents skilled at community problem solving. The Academy is operated by CADCA’s National Coalition Institute in partnerships with National Guard Bureau Counterdrug training schools and state systems. The Chairman’s Award winner is a coalition that has distinguished itself by adopting the strategic planning strategies and academy training principles into their daily coalition work to produce measurable outcomes leading to population level change.

The Holmes County Prevention Coalition (Ohio) began in July 2007 through a county-wide strategic planning process. Your Human Resource Center was awarded a grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to coordinate the coalition. Reducing substance abuse was identified as the highest priority. The coalition is a diverse coalition whose mission is to create the conditions that help youth and adults make healthy choices regarding alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. The coalition makes its impact on the community through partnerships with community agencies and organizations. Midge Roberts, of YHRC, graduated from the National Coalition Academy with Anne Goon of the Holmes County Health District and Kathy Kelly of the Holmes County Family and Children First Council.

For additional information on the coalition, contact Midge Roberts or visit [www.yhrc.org](http://www.yhrc.org).

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Board of Wayne and Holmes Counties. YHRC specializes in counseling, school-based and intervention services for adolescents and adults. YHRC provides group, individual and family services to help find positive solutions for family conflict, parent-child difficulties, anxiety, depression, stress and anger management, grief, coping and alcohol and drug abuse.

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