

Wisdom In Living Life Ministry
Beyond Recovery Project—Drug Statistics

This Month In Greenville:

180,000 will abuse drugs

200 people will try drugs for the first time

58% of teens consumed alcohol at least once

17 people will be killed in an accident involving alcohol or another drug

This Week In Greenville:

1,200 8th graders will binge drink

1 person will die of a drug overdose

43% of traffic fatalities were DUI related

1,415 teens will ride in an automobile with an intoxicated driver

Today In Greenville:

1 person in 9 residents need help for a substance abuse problem

165 people will be arrested for substance abuse related offenses

The average age of first time drug use is between 10 and 12 years of age

Alcohol or other drugs will be the leading factor in the death of people, ages 15 to 24

Summary:

According to The Children of Alcoholics Foundation, children of addicts are 3-4 times more likely than others to become addicted to alcohol or other drugs themselves.

Addiction to alcohol and other drugs facilitates domestic violence, homelessness and crime, as well as the spread of HIV/AIDS and STD's, while negatively affecting scholastic achievement, work place productivity, the cost of insurance and medical treatment, and the perception that Greenville is a safe place to live, work, and visit.