

## Policy Advocacy Summer Workgroup Meeting

Tuesday, August 21, 2017 | 2:30 – 4:00 PM

# MEETING DEBRIEF

### Draft of Final Policy Priorities:

- **Tobacco Retail Licensing & Point of Sale** – Full range of issues that address tobacco licensing, and restrictions on tobacco products, promotion, and place.
  - State Level Goal:
    - Monitor for statewide preemption and be ready to mobilize, if needed
  - Local Level Goal: Adoption of model policy
    - TFRI Specific Actions:
      - Educate and prepare youth to talk about TRL/POS
      - Speak at town/city council meetings to educate
      - Creation of factsheet / one pagers / campaign materials
- **Tobacco 21** – Prohibit tobacco products to be sold to anyone under 21
  - State Level Goal:
    - Assist other organizations in their work and send information to network
  - Local Level Goal: Adoption of model policy (with TRL in place)
    - TFRI Specific Actions:
      - Educate and prepare youth to talk about T21
      - Speak at town/city council meetings to educate
      - Creation of factsheet / one pagers / campaign materials
- **Increase TCP Funding** – return funding to historical high of \$3.1 million
  - State Level:
    - Assist other organizations in their work and send information to network
    - Work with other orgs to craft an agreed upon policy statement around tax increase with focus on equity (proactive)

### Draft of Policy Workgroup Structure Recommendations:

- June 2018 - the group will begin the prioritization process via email followed by meetings in July/Aug to finalize recommendations prior to Annual Network Meeting
- The group will be reconvened via email for consultation on emerging issues
- For the next cycle of prioritization – this group will have cessation represented

### Other Policy Related Goals:

- Host training for prevention providers, community advocates, etc.
- Advocate and give support to BHDDH/Regional Coalitions for Rhode Island Student Survey to keep community level data around tobacco use

### Next Steps:

- Announce recommendations at Annual Network Meeting
- Reconvene after fall network meeting to decide on work plan related to policy priorities