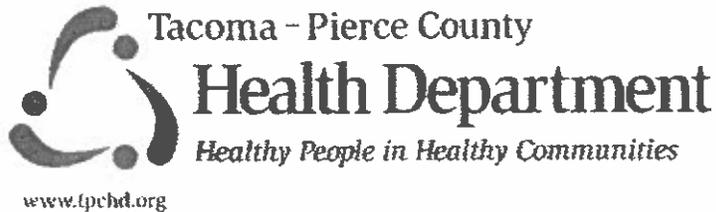


G – Partners – Letters of Support



Governed by a local Board of Health

July 25, 2014

Donald Stodola
Community Liaison Officer
Community Policing Division
5140 North 26th Street
Tacoma, WA 98407

Re: Alcohol Impact Area in the West End Neighborhood

Dear Mr. Stodola,

I am writing in support of establishing an Alcohol Impact Area (AIA) in the West End Neighborhood and want to commend you on this effort to enhance the health, safety, and quality of life of Tacoma residents.

Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department is concerned about the adverse effects of alcohol misuse on the individual, families and the community. Preventing underage drinking is one of our strategic goals. Children and youth need to grow up in a healthy environment that fosters and encourages good choices. The AIA will support prevention and reduce the impact to neighborhoods from chronic inebriation.

The Health Department's recently conducted community health assessment found that the top health priorities of our county residents are mental health, substance abuse, access to quality health services, health disparities, and protecting and improving the environment. We are committed to addressing these concerns as effectively as possible and the AIA project is in line with this goal.

I applaud your commitment to a healthy, safe community and wish you much success.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony L-T Chen, MD, MPH
Director of Health



February 22, 2013

Mayor Marilyn Strickland and
City Council Members
City of Tacoma
747 Market Street, 12th Floor
Tacoma, WA 98402

Dear Mayor Strickland and City Council Members:

The West End Neighborhood Council would like to encourage the City Council to pass our request for the West End AIA at your February 26, 2013 City Council meeting. We also would like to take this opportunity and suggest the possibility of starting a process for voluntary compliance in other areas of our great City. Knowing that the Beer and Wine Distributors have stated that they are willing to help with this endeavor, we feel that all reasonable measures taken and the cooperation between concerned entities might be at its highest at this time. Whether or not other municipalities would join us is yet to be seen, but like so many other issues, it does not hurt to ask.

Again, we thank you for your past support and hope that you will continue that support and pass the West End AIA on February 26th.

Sincerely Yours,

Ginny Eberhardt

Ginny Eberhardt
West End Neighborhood Council

cc: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
Lt. Dan Still



North End Neighborhood Council

March 20, 2012

To: Honorable Mayor Strickland
Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan
Honorable Council Member Anders Ibsen
Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell
Honorable Council Member Jake Fey
Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker
Honorable Council Member Victoria Woodards
Honorable Council Member David Boe
Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

Re: Alcohol Impact Area

The North End Neighborhood Council supports and requests the approval of expanding of the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Price". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Kyle Price, NENC Vice Chair
On behalf of the North End Neighborhood Council



CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

PO BOX 5201, TACOMA, WASHINGTON 98415-0201

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May 7, 2011

Tacoma City Council
747 Market St, Rm 1200
Tacoma WA 98402

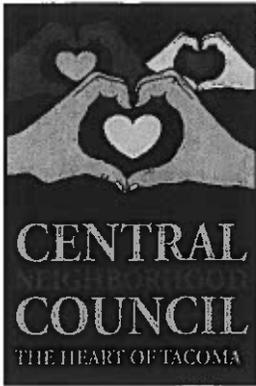
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The Central Neighborhood Council supports and joins in requesting and approval of expanding of the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th and then north of South 19th Ste to Puget Sound.

Some of our Council members and many of the community members in the Central Neighborhood area have a personal knowledge of how Tacoma's first AIA improved the community that it involved. The Hilltop in particular had been hard-hit by chronic public inebriates (CPIs) and public intoxication occurred in concentrations that endangered the welfare, health, peace, and safety of that community.

Highlights of the first AIA included in the One Year Study that was requested by the City Council revealed the following improvements:

- **35% Decrease in Emergency Medical Service (EMS) incidents.** In the 13 months prior to the AIA implementation, there were 1036 alcohol-related EMS incidents with the AIA and 667 such incidents in the 13 months after the AIA policy began. (During the AIA period, there was a 15% increase in EMS incidents in parts of the city outside of the AIA).
- **21% Decrease in Detox Admissions.** Detox admissions averaged 132 cases each month from January 2000 through January 2001. During the period from March 2002 through March 2003, detox admissions averaged 104 per month.
- **61% decrease in "Liquor in the Park" police service calls.** In the 13 months prior to the AIA, there were 54 police service calls for "liquor in the park" within the AIA; this dropped to 21 calls in the 13-month period after the AIA policy began. (A 19% decrease occurred for calls in parts of the city outside the AIA).
- **Fewer Chronic Public Inebriates and problems**
 - 22% of people living in the AIA, and 26% of the retailers, said that the number of persons drinking alcohol in public in their neighborhood has decreased



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- 25% of people living in the AIA, and 21% of the retailers, said that the problem of chronic public inebriation has decreased
- 19% of people living in the AIA, said that the number of persons urinating or defecating in public places in their neighborhood has decreased
- **Less trash and litter from chronic public inebriates**
 - Community volunteers involved in neighborhood litter patrols reported a significant decrease in the number of bottles, cans and other street trash.
 - 31% of people living in the AIA, and 31% of retailers, said that the amount of trash and litter due to chronic inebriation in their neighborhood has decreased

Aside from the stats the feel of the community has changed. Communities have been able to return park and city benches (that once needed to be removed due their use by CPIs), litter now is of the 'average' variety, and now comprised of 80% glass bottles (many broken) from high alcohol products, and the CPIs that remain in our area are less dangerous to themselves or the community around them.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,

Central Neighborhood Council

UNIVERSITY of PUGET SOUND

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May 24, 2012

Honorable May Marilyn Strickland

Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan

Honorable Council Member Anders Ibsen

Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell

Honorable Council Member Jake Fey

Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker

Honorable Council Member Victoria Woodards

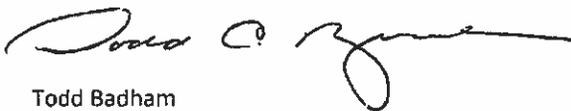
Honorable Council Member David Boe

Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

The University of Puget Sound supports and joins in requesting approval of expanding the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts, and make our city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol-related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,



Todd Badham
Director of Security



Rachel Cardwell
Community Engagement Manager

SECURITY SERVICES

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July 5, 2012

Honorable Marilyn Strickland
Mayor of the City of Tacoma
Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan
City Council Member Anders Ibsen
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City Council Member Ryan Mello
747 Market St.
Tacoma, WA 98402

Dear Ms. Mayor, Mr. Deputy Mayor and City Council Members,

The Tacoma School District supports and joins the City of Tacoma in requesting and approving an expansion of the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

The Tacoma School District operates 19 schools in the proposed new AIA. We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the school communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol-related crimes and disturbances in the larger area.

Respectfully,



Carla Santorno
Superintendent



Educating for Life

September 17, 2012

Honorable Mayor Marilyn Strickland
Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan
Honorable Council Member Anders Ibsen
Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell
Honorable Council Member Jake Fey
Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker
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Honorable Council Member David Boe
Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

Bellarmino Preparatory School support and join in requesting and approval of expanding of the Alcohol Impact Area. We encourage expanding the impact area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We have looked at the evidence provided by our school resource officer and appreciate the possible improvements made by expanding the AIA. The goal of AIA, as we understand it, is to reduce the opportunity to purchase high volume alcohol. Bellarmine, a Catholic-Jesuit school, is dedicated to making a difference which includes reaching out to those who have been marginalized by our society. The definition, provided by the police department, that describes those who purchase the high volume alcohol is not language we prefer, however, Bellarmine supports our local police department in their efforts to provide a safer community, improve business districts and reduce underage drinking.

Sincerely,

Cindy Davis
Dean of Students



September 28, 2012

Honorable mayor Marilyn Strickland

Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan

Honorable Council Member Ander Ibsen

Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell

Honorable Council Member Jake Fey

Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker

Honorable Council member Victoria Woodards

Honorable Council Member David Boe

Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

St. Charles Borromeo Parish and School support and join in requesting and approval of expanding of the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

I hope that this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city a safer place to live, work and learn. I look forward to seeing results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances in our neighborhoods.

Regards,

Fr. Michael McDermott

Pastor



Geiger Montessori School
Paula Crews Bond, Principal
7401 South 8th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98465
253-571-6800 • Fax 253-571-6850

February 19, 2013

Mayor Strickland and Members of the City Council,

I am pleased to hear that the City Council is considering the addition of another Alcohol Impact Area for the city of Tacoma. I was principal at Bryant Montessori when the city's first AIA was created in 2001. We saw firsthand what the neighborhood was like before and after the AIA went into effect. The S and S Market, one of the targeted markets, is across the street from the Bryant playground. We experienced a shooting emanating from the store while our kids were at recess; we witnessed drug deals inside of and near the store. Symptoms of chronic public inebriation were everywhere, from glass, needles, and human waste on our playground every Monday and wild parties starting at noon each Friday. Before the AIA went into effect, the 8th Street corridor had the highest crime rate in Pierce County.

I have since been transferred to Geiger. Last year, our school community was housed at Hunt Middle School while our beautiful new building was being built. As soon as we unpacked there, we began to see signs of the same kind of trouble:

1. A brush fire behind the Sixth Avenue businesses caused by a cigarette that fell from the mouth of an inebriated person who had passed out;
2. Men coming out of the bushes surrounding the field and urinating in front of the kids at PE;
3. Drunks hanging out at the bus stop, falling asleep on the hillside;
4. Children stumbling across a drunk who was asleep under the trees on the hillside while taking students on a nature walk... not knowing if he was dead or alive;
5. Having staff members terrified to walk to their cars after dark;
6. Crossing guards reported lots of troubling behavior and harassment at 10th and Mildred as well as 12th and Mildred.
7. Students who walked home had to pass by the Taggers Market on 12th and Mildred, while inebriated people harassed and accosted them.

One time near the beginning of the 2011-12 school year, I walked into the store to see what they were selling. I found many brands of high alcohol content liquor, baggies you would use to sell small portions of meth, cocaine and other drugs, drug paraphernalia, and lots of scary knives and other weapons.



April 11, 2012

Honorable Mayor Marilyn Strickland
Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan
Honorable Council Member Anders Ibsen
Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell
Honorable Council Member Jake Fey
Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker
Honorable Council Member Victoria Woodards
Honorable Council Member David Boe
Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

The Old Town Business & Professional Association supports and joins in requesting approval of expanding the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar St. west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,

Kathy Manke

Old Town Business & Professional Assn., President

May 21st, 2012

Honorable Mayor Marilyn Strickland

Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan

Honorable Council Member Anders Ibsen

Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell

Honorable Council Member Jake Fey

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The Sixth Avenue Business District supports and joins in requesting and approving the expansion of the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,



Koreen B. Thompson
President, Sixth Avenue Business District

May 29, 2012

Honorable Mayor Marilyn Strickland

Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan

Honorable Council Member Ander Ibsen

Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell

Honorable Council Member Jake Fey

Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker

Honorable Council Member Victoria Woodards

Honorable Council Member David Boe

Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

The West End Puget Sound Kiwanis Club support and join in requesting and approval of expanding of the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city safer. We have see the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,

Richard Lee Stevenson II



President, West End Puget Sound Kiwanis Club



**ALLENMORE RIDGE
CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION**

2425 S CEDAR ST
TACOMA, WA 98405-2320

May 7, 2012

Honorable Mayor Marilyn Strickland

Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan

Honorable Council Member Anders Ibsen

Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell

Honorable Council Member Jake Fey

Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker

Honorable Council Member Victoria Woodards

Honorable Council Member David Boe

Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

The Allenmore Ridge Condominium Association (ARCA) supports and join in requesting and approval of expanding of the Alcohol Impact Area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts and make our city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,

Donald Stodola

ARCA HOA President. 2012/2013



City of Tacoma
Fire Department

September 28, 2012

Mayor and City Council Members
City of Tacoma
747 Market Street, Room 1200
Tacoma, Washington 98402

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

The Tacoma Fire Department supports the establishment of the West Tacoma Alcohol Impact Area (AIA).

Our response data shows an increase in alcohol-related 911 calls for service within the boundaries of the proposed AIA. Given the history of reduced alcohol-related incidents after the establishment of similar AIAs in the downtown and Lincoln areas of the city, we would expect similar results in the proposed AIA.

We believe the proposed AIA will improve quality of life, reduce alcohol-related 911 calls for service, improve business districts, and make our community safer. We have seen the positive impacts the current AIA areas have had and look forward to seeing similar outcomes in a West Tacoma AIA.

Respectfully,

James P. Duggan
Fire Chief

JPD:cs



March 14, 2012

Honorable Mayor Marilyn Strickland
Honorable Deputy Mayor Joe Lonergan
Honorable Council Member Anders Ibsen
Honorable Council Member Marty Campbell
Honorable Council Member Jake Fey
Honorable Council Member Lauren Walker
Honorable Council Member Victoria Woodards
Honorable Council Member David Boe
Honorable Council Member Ryan Mello

The Pierce Transit Department of Public Safety supports and joins in requesting the approval of the expansion of the Alcohol Impact Area (AIA) west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits, north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street, west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma, improve business districts, and make our city and transit system safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the communities they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,

Rod Baker
Chief of Public Safety/Transit Police





June 6, 2012

Honorable Mayor Marilyn Strickland &
Members of the Tacoma City Council
747 Market St.
Tacoma, WA 98402

Mayor Strickland & Council Members:

At the Metro Parks Tacoma April 23rd Park Board meeting, during the Tacoma Police Department report, Lieutenant Dan Still presented information to the Board of Park Commissioners about the proposed expansion of the Alcohol Impact Area. The expansion would include the area west of the current Downtown Core AIA area to encompass the city limits north of State Route 16 and South Cedar Street west to South 19th Street and then north of South 19th Street to the Puget Sound.

The Board of Park Commissioners would like to give their support and request the approval of the proposed expansion of the Alcohol Impact Area.

We believe this action will improve the quality of life in Tacoma and make our parks and city safer. We have seen the positive impact the current AIA areas have had on the neighborhoods they encompass and look forward to seeing similar results in lowering alcohol related crimes and disturbances.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry Dahl".

Larry Dahl, President
Board of Park Commissioners

Board of Park Commissioners:
Larry Dahl
Erik Hanberg
Aaron Pointer
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Andrea Smith

4702 S. 19th Street, Tacoma WA 98405-1175
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Executive Director:
Jack C. Wilson

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-3248

A resolution to support the Tacoma Police Department's proposal to define an Alcohol Impact Area (AIA) and to limit alcohol availability within the AIA.

The Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health finds:

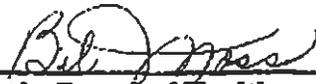
1. Alcohol consumption causes and exacerbates social, economic, and health problems.
2. Increased consumption causes more and greater problems.
3. Increased consumption within a population causes more of the population to experience problems and causes more of the population to exhibit the most severe problems.
4. The availability of alcohol is influenced by:
 - a. The price of the product,
 - b. The size of the serving or container,
 - c. The potency of the product,
 - d. The hours of sale,
 - e. The number of locations in which alcohol is sold or distributed,
 - f. The setting in which it is available,
 - g. Restrictions on the distribution of alcohol,
 - h. Enforcement of restrictions on distribution,
 - i. Compliance with restrictions on distribution,
 - j. The setting in which it is consumed,
 - k. Restrictions on the consumption of alcohol,
 - l. Enforcement of restrictions on consumption,
 - m. Compliance with restrictions on consumption, and
 - n. The social norms associated with distribution, consumption, and their settings.
5. Increased availability of alcohol leads to greater consumption and causes more and greater problems.
6. The problems caused by alcohol consumption affect both the drinker and others.
7. The Tacoma Police Department has identified a population chronically subject to public inebriation and concentrated in an area bounded by Schuster Parkway, North 30th Street, Alder Street, SR 16, I-5, Port of Tacoma Road, I-509, and East D Street which it describes as the AIA. The Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department concurs in that assessment.
8. Heavy consumption of alcohol by this population causes it to suffer severe social, economic, and health problems.
9. Heavy, public consumption of alcohol by this population also exposes the public to social, economic, and health problems.

- 10. Reducing the availability of low-cost, fortified alcohol products in similar populations in other cities like Tacoma has reduced the problems caused by alcohol consumption in those populations.

The Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health concludes:

- 1. The Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health has identified prevention of the misuse of alcohol within Pierce County to be a priority for the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.
- 2. Excessive consumption of low-cost, fortified alcohol products within the area defined by the proposed Alcohol Impact Area (AIA) presents a particular, ongoing, public health problem for the consuming population within the AIA.
- 3. Excessive public consumption of alcohol and public inebriation within the AIA create ongoing, public health problems for the entire population that lives, works, and passes through the AIA whether or not they drink.
- 4. Reducing the availability of alcohol through voluntary restrictions by vendors within the AIA on products and hours will reduce the problems caused by alcohol consumption within the AIA.
- 5. The Tacoma Police Department's proposal to prevent social, economic, and health problems deserves support and cooperation from the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.
- 6. The Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health endorses, supports, and applauds the proposal by the Tacoma Police Department to enlist the cooperation of vendors to restrict the availability of low-cost, fortified alcohol products within the AIA.

TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

for


 Chair, Board of Health
 February 7, 2001
 Date of Adoption

Table 8.1: Alcohol-attributable mortality. Pierce County 1994-1996.

Diagnosis (ICD9-CM rubric)	Age	AAF	Deaths '94-96	ARM '94-96	YPLL '94-96	Rk	YPLL assoc'd with alcohol
<i>Malignant neoplasms</i>							
Lip/oral cav/pharynx (140-149)	>35	0.5	50	23	149	2.98	23.0
Esophagus (150)	>35	0.75	78	59	215	2.76	52.8
Stomach (151)	>35	0.2	89	18	351	3.94	23.4
Liver (155)	>35	0.15	76	11	509	6.70	25.5
Larynx (161)	>35	0.5	23	11	43	1.87	7.0
<i>Mental disorders</i>							
Alcoholic psychoses (291)	>15	1	16	16	25	1.56	8.3
Alcohol dependence syndrome (303)	>15	1	40	40	386	9.65	128.7
Alcohol abuse (305.0)	>15	1	6	6	80	13.33	26.7
<i>Cardiovascular diseases</i>							
Essential hypertension (401)	>35	0.08	26	2	14	0.54	0.4
Alcoholic cardiomyopathy (425.5)	>15	1	4	4	2	0.50	0.2
Cerebrovascular disease (430-438)	>35	0.07	1236	87	1763	1.43	41.1
<i>Respiratory diseases</i>							
Respiratory tuberculosis (011-012)	>35	0.25	5	1	51	10.20	4.3
Pneumonia and influenza (480-487)	>35	0.05	405	20	313	2.01	13.0
<i>Digestive diseases</i>							
Dis. of esoph/stom/dinod (530-537)	>35	0.1	68	7	186	2.74	6.2
Alcoholic Gastritis (535.3)	>15	1	0	0	0	0	0
Alcoholic fatty liver (571.0)	>15	1	20	20	302	15.10	100.7
Acute alcoholic hepatitis (571.1)	>15	1	9	9	170	18.89	56.7
Alcoholic liver cirrhosis (571.2)	>15	1	96	96	779	8.11	259.7
Alcoholic liver disease unsp. (571.3)	>15	1	25	25	273	10.92	91.0
Other liver cirrhosis (571.5, 571.6)	>35	0.5	16	8	45	2.81	7.5
Acute pancreatitis (577.0)	>35	0.42	14	6	60	4.29	8.4
Chronic pancreatitis (577.1)	>35	0.6	4	2	42	10.50	8.4
<i>Unintentional injuries</i>							
Motor vehicle accidents (E810-E825)	>0	0.42	248	104	6861	27.67	960.5
Other road vehicle accidents (E826.9)	>0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0
Water transport accidents (E830-E838)	>0	0.2	10	2	352	38.20	25.5
Air/space transp accidents (E840-E845)	>0	0.16	15	2	326	21.73	17.4
Alcohol poisonings (E860, E860.1)	>15	1	2	2	66	33.00	22.0
Accidental falls (E880-E888)	>15	0.35	85	30	256	3.01	29.9
Accidents caused by fires (E890-E899)	>0	0.45	15	7	324	21.60	48.6
Accidental drownings (E910)	>0	0.38	20	8	339	41.95	106.3
Other injuries (E911-949)	>15	0.25	75	19	1880	25.07	156.7
<i>Intentional injuries</i>							
Suicide (E950-E959)	>15	0.28	330	92	7624	23.10	711.6
Homicide (E960-E969)	>15	0.46	160	74	5257	32.86	806.1
<i>Metabolic disorder</i>							
Diabetes mellitus (250)	>35	0.05	287	14	833	2.90	13.9
<i>Other alcohol-related diagnoses</i>							
Alcoholic polyneuropathy (357.5)	>15	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Excess blood alcohol level (790.3)	>15	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total, year average			1,184	275	10,302		3,793

By definition, AAFs estimate the proportions of deaths from disease or injury diagnoses that are causally linked to alcohol use and misuse. These diagnoses make up the list of alcohol-related causes of death called Alcohol List in this study. "For chronic diseases, AAFs were estimated from clinical case studies and analytical epidemiologic studies; for injuries, AAFs were estimated from injury surveillance studies that reported alcohol involvement" [MMWR90]. AAF was assumed to be equal to 0.5 for males and 0.4 for

Selected Alcohol Facts

Pierce County

Alcohol misuse is associated with 275 deaths, 23,400 hospitalized days, and almost 50,000 outpatient visits every year in Pierce County. (*Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department*)

Adults 18-24 reported the highest rate of binge drinking of any age group (30%). (*1996 Pierce County Behavioral Risk Factor Survey*)

Between 1992 and 1996, 61 Pierce County youth under 21 were killed in motor vehicle collisions. Eighteen (30%) of those fatal collisions were alcohol-related. (*Washington Traffic Safety Commission*)

In a 1998 survey of Pierce County students 30% percent of 12th graders reported consuming five drinks in a row one or more times in the previous two week period. Over one in five students (21%) perceived little or no risk from doing so once or twice every weekend (*1998 Washington State Survey of Adolescent Health Behaviors*)

Washington

In 1996 the cost of alcohol abuse to the state of Washington in health criminal justice and lost work productivity was \$1.5 Billion (*Economic Costs of Drug and Alcohol Abuse in Washington State, 1996*)

In 1996 for every \$1 the state collected in revenues from taxes on alcohol sales, \$12 was spent to address costs related to alcohol abuse. (*Economic Costs of Drug and Alcohol Abuse in Washington State, 1996*)

In 1998 an estimated 298,000 adults had a recent history (within last 18 months) of an alcohol use disorder. This comprised about 12% of the adult population. ("*Estimates of Substance Use and Treatment Need in Washington State, 1998*" *Tobacco, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Trends in Washington State, 2000 Report*)

National

About 5% of the adult population are alcohol dependent, what we commonly refer to as "alcoholic", but another 20% regularly or occasionally drink more than is healthy. This larger group of drinkers accounts for the majority of community alcohol problems. (*Quality Measurements for Alcohol Misuse and Dependence, Foundation for Accountability, 1998*)

Young people who begin drinking before the age of 15 are four times more likely to become alcoholics than someone who begins drinking at 21. (*Journal of Substance Abuse, January, 1998*)

Screening and brief intervention conducted by a trained provider can reduce drinking among non-dependent drinkers by an average of 27%. (*Alcohol Alert No.43, April 1999, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism*)