

Forums set for 'No Drug Week'

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lice Department Detective Section supervisor, and C. Donald Cowan, North Farmington High School principal.

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featuring an audience of parents and other community members, will be broadcast from the same location at 8 p.m. over community access cable Channel 12.

This program will enable parents to identify those things that might indicate that their son or daughter is abusing drugs and to learn what agencies in the community they can go to for help," Murphy said.

Panelists will be the same with the addition of Farmington Hills police Chief William Dwyer.

Both programs will allow viewers to ask questions and voice concerns in a live telephone call-in. Moderator for both programs will be Sue McLean, cable Channel 10 publicist. North Farmington is at 32900 13 Mile, just east of Farmington Road.

"Say No To Drugs Week," spearheaded by the Farmington Hills Police Department Citizens Crime Prevention Advisory Committee, is the start of a yearlong campaign against substance abuse.

A 19-point action plan provides a framework for the campaign (see accompanying highlights box). The three-pronged attack includes a police crackdown on drug dealers and distributors, in-depth training for officers in areas of drug enforcement, education and referral programs, and increased community education about drug use and misuse.

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Hills share of plan pegged at \$750,000

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"Chances are slim to none because the feeling in Lansing is that future requests for statewide gas tax would no longer be supported, and that would hit northern Michigan hard," he said.

THE ROAD commission has met with 46 of 58 Oakland County communities in a repeat effort of a series of meetings held two years ago to keep abreast of current projects and mutual airing of concerns. Blair expects to complete the current round by the end of April.

"Some councils are already supporting (the proposal) with resolutions. We're going to have to tell citizens what they'll get for these new revenues. Our plan will be sensitive to community needs," he said. If the fee is approved by voters,

the road commission would receive half the revenue, about \$10.8 million annually, with the other half divided among cities and villages, based on population and road mileage. The commission is solely responsible for road maintenance in townships.

Blair says a plan of how the county's share of money would be used will be announced on June 1. "We'll run it by all the communities for consensus," he said. "We'll try to put money into every community."

Local communities could use their share as they see fit, he added. Farmington Hills' share would be 4 percent of the total. The city of Farmington would receive 1/4 percent, or about \$292,000 annually.

Farmington Hills councilman Aldo Vagnotzi agrees that the proposal will be difficult to sell "but it doesn't appear there is another option."

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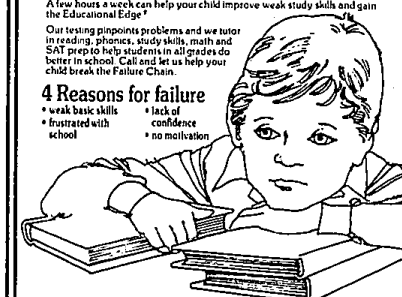
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