

**BY LAWS OF  
TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE**

**ARTICLE I – NAME**

The name of the organization shall be the Municipal Alliance Committee, Township of Washington.

**ARTICLE II – AUTHORIZATION**

As authorized by the Mayor of the Township of Washington through a resolution, this group shall serve as the Alliance of the above said municipality in accord with P.L. 1989, C.51.

**ARTICLE III – PURPOSE**

In accord with the above authorization, the purpose of the Alliance is:

- a. Organize and coordinate efforts involving school, law enforcement, business, and community groups for the purpose of reducing alcoholism, drug abuse and crime.
- b. Develop comprehensive alcoholism and drug abuse education, outreach and support efforts for parents.
- c. Develop a comprehensive alcoholism and drug abuse community awareness program.
- d. Develop a community watch program.

**ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP**

Membership on the Municipal Alliance Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor, and shall include but not necessarily be limited to representatives of the following groups:

- a. Council Member
- b. Police Officer
- c. Municipal employee
- d. Youth representative
- e. Two residents of the Township of Washington

**ARTICLE V – FUNCTIONS**

The functions of the Municipal Alliance Committee shall be:

- a. To create a network of community leaders, private citizens, and representatives from the public and private human services agencies who are dedicated to promoting and supporting alcohol and other drug and crime prevention and education programs.
- b. To conduct an assessment of community wide needs pertaining and alcohol and other drug abuse issues.

- c. To identify existing efforts and services acting to reduce alcohol and other drug abuse.
- d. To assist in the development of programs at the Municipal level that accomplishes the purpose of the Alliance effort.
- e. To assist the Municipality in acquiring funds for Alliance programs.
- f. To cooperate with the Governor's Council on alcoholism and Drug Abuse, as well as the County Alliance Committee to provide data, reports, or other information that may be needed to assist in Alliance effort.

#### **ALLIANCE VI – MEETINGS**

Meetings shall be held as the scheduled is adopted at the last meeting of the calendar year, each year, which will include the time and place of the meeting. Alliance meetings shall be held quarterly.

#### **ARTICLE VII – FUNDING**

The Alliance shall develop a comprehensive plan to provide matching funds at least equivalent to the amount of monies received from the DEDR funds. These matching funds shall be a minimum of 25% cash. All decisions of the MACAADA involving the use and expenditure of funds require a vote of a simple majority of the members of the Alliance, with final approval by the Mayor.

#### **ARTICLE VIII – VOTING PROCEDURES AND ADOPTION**

All decisions require a quorum to be present; a quorum being defined herein as at least one third (1/3) of the appointed membership. Each appointed member of the Alliance shall have one (1) vote.

#### **ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENT**

All proposed amendments or proposed changes to the by-laws shall be presented to the Alliance one (1) month prior to the formal voting meeting. All decisions on amendments or changes to the by-laws require a majority vote of the attending voting membership.

Scheduled Date to Review:  
November, 2015