Anti-drug Coalition awarded national grant

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The Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition is the recipient of a \$100,000 grant from the Office of National Drug Control Policy through the Drug Free Communities Support Program. "The The Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition has made an indelible mark, and these funds will help continue and strengthen their efforts in making sure we have a safe Roane County," said U.S. Rep. Lincoln Davis. "As your member of Congress I will continue making sure such funds are available for results-oriented programs," the congressman continued. The Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition is a private, nonprofit grassroots organization with the mission of raising awareness of substance abuse issues with an emphasis on youth, teens and young adults. The coalition meets at noon on the second Wednesday of each month, in Union Lodge 38 at 550 W. Spring St., Kingston. All meetings are open to the public. Created in 1997, the Drug Free Communities Program, directed by the Office of National Drug Control Policy, has helped thousands of community organizations facilitate local drug prevention efforts. These coalitions are often comprised of law enforcement, community leaders, teachers and religious organizations. Members of the Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition are executive director Sarah Stevenson, office manager Sara Daugherty, Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant coordinator Kris Hontz, board chairperson Donna Forstrom, board vice chairman John Peach, board secretary Robin McMillin, board treasurer Dr. Thomas Boduch and board members Cathy Day, Donna Forstrom, Eva Graves, Doug Jackson, Jayne Jackson, Melody Kidd, Donna Raines, and Roane County Sheriff Jack Stockton, Stephanie Armbrister of the Knoxville Metropolitan Drug Commission is an adviser. To learn more about the Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition, visit www.roaneantidrug.org.