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Support Good Samaritan Policies.
Help save lives.

Good Samaritan Policies

are life-saving measures that enable people to make responsible decisions by shielding them from punishment when they call for medical help during an alcohol or drug-related emergency.

Since the threat of punitive policies can often cause hesitation during confusing and stressful party situations, the existence of a Good Samaritan Policy is essential to ensuring that people are able to stay alive and receive help when they are in trouble.

It is a preemptive policy that promotes responsible behavior rather than a reactive policy that rewards responsible behavior after the fact.

Good Samaritan Policies have been proven to be effective at saving lives. A 2006 study in the *International Journal of Drug Policy* found that emergency calls increased after Cornell University's Good Samaritan Policy was enacted in 2002, although alcohol abuse rates remain constant.

Interested in finding out ways you can help?

SSDP has thousands of members on over 150 campuses worldwide and is growing. Learn to lobby, run campaigns, organize events & educate communities. *By joining SSDP, you will bring real change to our nation's drug policies.*

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