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Cobb Alcohol Taskforce Headed to Washington, D.C. to Attend National Forum

January 27, 2012, Marietta, GA – Volunteers from the Cobb Alcohol Taskforce in Marietta, GA are headed to Washington, D.C. Feb. 6-9, 2012 to join nearly 3,000 substance abuse prevention and treatment specialists and advocates from throughout the country for Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America's (CADCA) 22nd annual National Leadership Forum. CADCA's National Leadership Forum is the nation's largest training for substance abuse prevention and treatment professionals and researchers.

Beside the opportunity to learn the latest strategies to prevent alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, taskforce volunteers will also hear from such conference headliners as Gil Kerlikowske, Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy and James Fowler, Ph.D., author of *Connected: The Surprising Power of Our Social Networks and How They Shape Our Lives*, and a Professor in the School of Medicine and Division of Social Sciences at the University of California, San Diego.

“We are so excited to be able to spend a week in our nation's Capital, learning and honing our prevention skills so our community can be a better place, one that doesn't suffer from the harms of drug and alcohol abuse,” says Cathy Finck, Cobb Alcohol Taskforce Coordinator. “We look forward to CADCA's Capitol Hill Day, where we will share with our Georgia Senators and members of Congress what we've accomplished to date with federal grant funds and how we are making progress in preventing underage and youth binge drinking in Cobb County, GA.”

CADCA's National Leadership Forum features more than 100 training courses to help community and state leaders prevent and reduce substance abuse and its related problems. CADCA is the national membership organization representing more than 5,000 coalitions and affiliates working to make America's communities safe, healthy and drug-free. Learn more at: www.cadca.org. For more information about CADCA's National Leadership Forum, visit <http://forum.cadca.org/>. Members of the media interested in press credentials to attend CADCA's National Leadership Forum should contact Natalia Martinez Duncan at 703-706-0560, Ext. 256 or nmartinez@cadca.org.

About the Cobb Alcohol Taskforce - Cobb Alcohol Taskforce is an alliance of individuals and organizations which mobilizes and challenges Cobb County adults to reduce underage drinking and youth binge drinking, by advancing strategic enforcement, policy and education goals. To learn more, visit www.cobbat.org or call 770-861-5758.

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