

## PURPOSE

The Rural Border Intervention Program, or RBI, was created to strengthen substance abuse prevention, intervention and treatment services for adolescents and adults living in rural communities along the Texas-Mexico border. The RBI program focuses on providing comprehensive services by directly delivering services and linking available resources.

## GOALS

- Increase access to health and social services in rural border areas.
- Increase substance abuse awareness and prevention efforts in border communities by decreasing risk factors and strengthening protective factors
- Promote recovery and improve quality of life for rural border residents by increasing the number of people receiving treatment services, brief interventions and support in addressing problems with substance use and abuse.

## SERVICES

- Problem Identification focuses on identifying adults or youth who have used or abused drugs/alcohol and to determine their need for education or referral for a formal substance abuse assessment.
- Substance Abuse Screening and Assessment is conducted by a qualified substance abuse professional who determines if the individual suffers from a substance use disorder, determines the severity of the substance use and provides recommendations for treatment.
- Referral and Linkage Services are provided to those individuals who have been diagnosed with a substance use disorder and need to be linked to treatment, according to their needs.
- Community Collaboration focuses on service integration through inter-agency activities, developing community partnerships, and linking existing services.

## SERVICES

- Substance Abuse Prevention increases individuals' resiliency skills that will enable them to resist using alcohol, drugs and tobacco. The project uses an evidence-based approach called Positive Action, an evidence-based practice that has been adapted to meet the needs of youth. These services are designed for youth in at-risk situations as well as those who may have already show early signs of substance abuse.
- Alternative Activities are conducted with youth and adults and promote social skills, education, adoption of healthy leisure habits, physical fitness and exposure to cultural events. These activities support pro-social behaviors that can provide alternatives to the use of substances.
- Brief Interventions are individual sessions provided to people who are waiting to be assessed, who are waiting to enter treatment, who may have less severe substance abuse problems or who have completed treatment. The interventions use Motivational Interviewing to enhance motivation to make positive change, according to the person's particular stage in their process of change.

## SCAN's Mission

To foster the healthy development of families and communities along the Texas-Mexico border by providing cost-free, culturally competent and developmentally appropriate evidence-based services.

## About SCAN Inc.

Serving Children and Adolescents in Need Inc. (SCAN) IS A COMMUNITY-BASED, non-profit organization that has been in existence for over 30 years. SCAN is one of the largest community-based organizations serving the SOUTH Texas-Mexico border area. Currently, SCAN serves approximately 15 border counties. SCAN provides a wide array of services for families including substance abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment; services for runaway and homeless youth; community organization; street outreach; several types of residential services; and some mental health prevention and treatment services including treatment of traumatic stress and services for families of our services men and women. Recently, SCAN has expanded to Region 8, where the six RBI counties targeted by this project are located in Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, La Salle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala. We hope that we can count on you to make sure the program reaches those in need.

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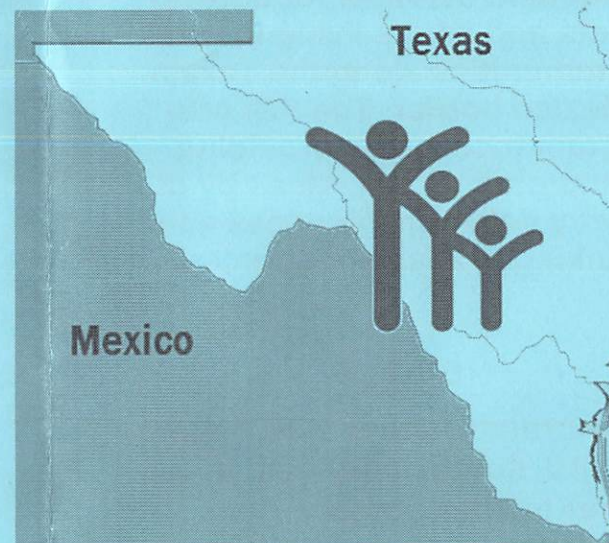
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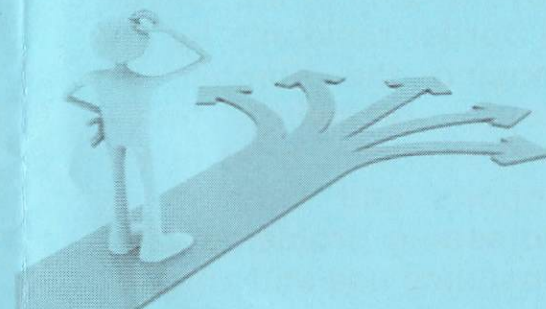
## Serving Children and Adults in Need SCAN



## Rural Border

## Intervention Program

Serving Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde & Zavala Counties



# FUTUROS MARAVILLOSOS PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The FUTUROS MARAVILLOSOS Program is a component of SCAN, Inc. and provides comprehensive drug prevention services to male and female students between the ages of 6 – 17 years of age who are at-risk of becoming involved with alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs.

The FUTUROS MARAVILLOSOS Program provides services at selected elementary, middle, and high schools throughout Maverick Co. Students participating in the program receive curriculum-based drug prevention lessons utilizing the *Positive Action* Curriculum as well as drug prevention presentations, and the opportunity to take part in drug-free positive alternative activities. Parents and other adult family members of participating students are invited to take part in drug prevention education sessions and

drug-free positive alternative activities.

## THE FUTUROS MARAVILLOSOS PROGRAM PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

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■ PREVENTION  
PRESENTATIONS  
INVOLVING MINOR AND  
TOBACCO INFORMATION

■ INFORMATION  
DISSEMINATION

■ *Positive Action* CURRICULUM  
LESSONS

■ DRUG-FREE POSITIVE  
ALTERNATIVE ACTIVITIES  
FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS  
THAT ARE CULTURAL,  
EDUCATIONAL, AND/OR  
RECREATIONAL

■ DRUG AWARENESS AND  
PREVENTION PARENTING  
EDUCATION SESSIONS

*WE MAKE STUDENTS PROUD TO  
BE DRUG-FREE!*

## FUTUROS MARAVILLOSOS PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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1. Youth is self-referred or is referred for services by a parent, teacher, counselor, etc.
2. A brief screening session is provided to make sure that the youth qualifies for program services.
3. If the youth qualifies for services and is willing to voluntarily participate in the program, a consent form is requested from the parent/guardian.
4. Each youth is provided an opportunity to participate in curriculum-based *Positive Action* lessons, and at least 1 educational, recreational, or cultural drug-free positive alternative activity.
5. Each youth's parent/guardian and/or other adult family members are provided opportunities to take part in drug prevention education sessions and drug-free positive alternative activities.

**Please call 210-390-5077  
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**FUTUROS MARAVILLOSOS  
PREVENTION PROGRAM**

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I'm free to be me, when I'm  
drug free!

Serving Children and  
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SCAN's mission is to foster the healthy development of children, adolescents, families, and communities through the provision of engaging, responsive, comprehensive, and developmentally appropriate services that are deeply rooted in the community.



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**FUTUROS  
MARAVILLOSOS  
(MARVELOUS FUTURES)  
PROGRAM**

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"For a Bright and  
Healthy Future:  
Say NO WAY to Drugs!"

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