

# Online Municipal Inventory of Policies & Practices to Reduce Excessive Alcohol Consumption

## **What it is:**

A way to learn what strategies for preventing excessive alcohol consumption your municipality (city, village, or town) has on the books, and what it is in fact doing in practice.

## **Purpose:**

1. Identify existing policies and practices
2. Identify missing policies and gaps in practices
3. Reveal existing, but unenforced policies

## **Products:**

1. Create a record of local alcohol licensing and enforcement policies
2. Collect a copy of each ordinance, policy, guidance, or documentation of practices
3. Understand how the policies are applied and practiced locally

## **Process:**

1. Review ordinances
2. Interview the police department – ask about enforcement and areas with problems
  - a. How is the PD involved in licensing decisions?
  - b. Does the PD conduct semi-annual MLDA compliance checks?
  - c. Does the PD compile and use Place of Last Drink information?
  - d. Are there problem areas where violence is associated with alcohol?
3. Interview local officials – ask about informal policies or traditions
4. Determine how much support is there for existing laws –resource allocation and citizen support

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