Organizations Making a Difference with 18 easy Ideas

- 1. Employers, utility companies, and hospitals can
 - Use the NDEP brochures as paycheck or bill stuffers and include them in company paychecks or customer bills.
- 2. Utility companies, public health departments, libraries, and private business can
 - Display the NDEP posters in their lobbies, at their registration desks, or in their reception areas.
- 3. Hospitals, libraries, banks, supermarkets, and retailers can
 - Place a stack of NDEP brochures at their cashier desks, registration desks, or information centers.
- 4. Health clinics, private doctors, and banks can
 - Play the NDEP TV PSAs for patients or customers waiting in their lobby areas.
- 5. Minority organizations can
 - Distribute the NDEP "Many Faces of Diabetes" posters to their member organizations and throughout the communities they serve.
 - Include NDEP materials at special events such as annual family reunions, ethnic festivals, health fairs, and more.
 - Write letters to other businesses and organizations to ask them to join the effort to raise awareness of the impact of diabetes on minority communities.
 - Use existing services to help communities get the services they need to successfully control diabetes for life.
 - Send copies of the NDEP campaign PSAs to local media that serve minority populations, along with the NDEP fact sheet on diabetes in these populations. Include a letter encouraging the media to air the PSAs to help spread the word.
- 6. Pharmacies, grocery stores, clothing stores, and shoe stores can
 - Play the NDEP radio PSAs over their audio system for customers.
 - Place the NDEP *Control Tips* brochure in the shopping or prescription bags of each customer.





7. Beauty shops, barber shops, senior centers, and recreation departments can

• Display the NDEP posters in their windows and provide space for the community to advertise upcoming health fairs.

8. Places of worship can

- Include the NDEP message and telephone number in service programs.
- Display the NDEP posters on bulletin boards.

9. The media can

- Air the NDEP TV and radio PSAs, and tell viewers and listeners to call the NDEP for more information at 1-800-438-5383.
- Run the NDEP print PSAs in the next issues of their newspapers, magazines, or community publications.
- Schedule an interview with a member of the NDEP Community Interventions Subcommittee by calling 202-842-3600.

10. Businesses, professional associations and retailers can

• Print the NDEP materials from the Web site and make a presentation on diabetes to staff and members at their next meeting or conference.

11. Hospitals, public health departments, and health insurers can

• Include NDEP materials with their displays at a health fair or other community event.

12. Professional associations, community groups, and clubs can

- Schedule a meeting to plan and dedicate their next fundraising activity to helping the community increase awareness about controlling diabetes.
- Distribute NDEP community kits and campaign guides to all members at the next meeting.
- Ask members to join the fight against diabetes.

13. Political officials and community leaders can

- Send a note to area businesses and media using the NDEP campaign postcards.
- Encourage area businesses and media to use the NDEP campaign materials to inform the community about diabetes.

14. Fire, police, and rescue departments can

- Take NDEP materials with them when they participate in health and safety fairs.
- Distribute NDEP bookmarks to residents when they conduct fire-safety or crime-risk home checks for community residents.

15. Movie theaters can

• Show the NDEP logo and control message as one of the messages on the screen before the movie begins.

16. Video stores can

• Hand out free NDEP bookmarks, the *Control Tips* brochure, and NDEP posters.

17. Fitness centers, gyms, dance studios, recreation centers, and social halls can

- Distribute the NDEP *Control Tips* and HbA1c brochures and posters.
- Recruit fitness directors, personal trainers, and dance instructors to become partners.

18. All organizations can

• Make a commitment to join the fight against diabetes. Become an NDEP partner today. Call 1-800-438-5383.

