

# Know YOU Are Responsible



- This law does not apply just to parents. If you are **18 or older** you can be charged **including if you are an older sibling, a friend having friends over, the renter of an apartment, or an older family member.**
- It does not have to be a party for it to fall under the Social Host Law, it could be a **small gathering.**
- **Providing space and allowing substances** is in violation of the Social Host Law.

## BEFORE THE PARTY

**Be considerate of your neighbors.**

**Agree to the rules in advance and make sure they are known by attendees.**

- Know who will be attending.
- Do not provide or allow the use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, cannabis (marijuana), vapes unless over 21.
- No leaving the party then returning.
- Limit which rooms are to be used and lock doors to private areas in your home.

**Ensure that drinking is not the primary focus of the party.**

- Plan entertainment and other activities such as yard games or board games and avoid drinking games. Provide plenty of snacks, appetizers, and food.

**Welcome and encourage calls from other parents and care givers.**

## DURING THE PARTY

**Model appropriate behavior for your guests.**

**Offer plenty of non-alcoholic drinks.**

- Bottled water, coffee, soft drinks, and fruit juice.

**Control Access to alcohol available for adults.**

- Request identification from everyone. Guests who cannot provide ID should not be given alcohol.
- Stop serving alcohol at least one hour before the party ends.
- If someone is visibly intoxicated stop serving them alcohol and secure their safety.

**Ensure illegal substances are not being used.**



## AFTER THE PARTY



**Discuss with your family how it went, and any changes needed for the next time.**

