

Tishomingo Development Team

Johnston County

2008

Coalition Priorities:

Leadership
Community Image
Children and Youth
Public Relations/Tourism
Health and Wellness Promotion
Business Development and Expansion



Partners:

Johnston County OSU Extension
Johnston Co. Chamber of Commerce
Johnston County Health Department
Murray State College
City of Tishomingo
Youth
City Government
Industrial Authority
Faith Community
Landmark Bank
Johnston Co. EMS
Tri-County OK
Comm. Foundations of Oklahoma
OCCY ~ 2M2L ~ Police Department
INCA Community Services
Johnston County Community
Resource Association
Wichita Mountain Prevention Network
Johnston Co. Court House

About Us...

As a pilot project, OSU Extension in June 2002 offered grants to communities with limited leadership development opportunities. Local citizens conducted town meetings to determine the needs of the community. From these town meetings, a group was formed to develop a community strategic plan. This group evolved into the Tishomingo Development Team (TDT).

TDT has continued to meet on a monthly basis to coordinate the efforts of identified standing committees and to conduct group business. Many accomplishments have been made in the short time TDT has existed. A long-term plan for the City of Tishomingo has been developed. This endeavor was successful by joining efforts with a task force led by Tishomingo's Landmark Bank. After the plans were complete, TDT revised the bylaws to add committees that matched the needs identified by the task force members as well as those already established by TDT. To enable individuals and organizations the opportunity to support our community, TDT has become a member of the Communities Foundation of Oklahoma, a 501(c)(3) organization. Collaboration within the community and existing organizations is the key. TDT knows that success is a "process and takes time and persistence". TDT members are committed to improving the quality of health for Johnston County residents and the community in which they live.

Key Activities:

Conducted Coalition Self Assessment
Beautification Initiative of Main Street
Conducted Community Needs Assessment
Johnston County Youth Leadership
4th of July Celebration ~ Car Seat Installation
Annual Kids for Kids Festival
Oklahoma Pride ~ Safe Routes to School
Alfalfa Bill Bicycle Ride ~ Arts Programs
After School Programs
Youth Fit and Fun Summer Camps
Collaboration among existing groups

Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ Completed Youth Leadership – Johnston Co.
- ◆ Implemented Farmers Market
- ◆ Implemented pilot after school program
- ◆ Completion of youth skate board park
- ◆ Applying for after school arts program for spring '09
- ◆ Hosted Fit and Fun Summer Youth Camp
- ◆ Conducted community needs assessment
- ◆ Received \$3000 grant from Wichita Mountain Prevention Network to implement awareness campaign focusing on parenting education for youth risk behaviors
- ◆ The annual Kids-for-Kids Fall Carnival was a huge success again this year thanks to the Johnston County community. The Tishomingo Development Team and Murray State College's Student Government Association provided lots of fun opportunities for children of all ages.
- ◆ Established TDT Website
- ◆ Hosted Alfalfa Bike Run
- ◆ Sidewalk Enhancement Project Funded

