

# Choctaw County Coalition

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2009

## Coalition Priorities:

- ~ **Comprehensive Health**
- ~ **Community Beautification/Economic Development**
- ~ **Recreation**
- ~ **Collaboration & Networking**
- ~ **Youth and Family Enrichment & Education**

## About Us...

The original Choctaw County Coalition was established in 1996, to provide input for the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program implemented by the local county health department. This group of individuals was very active throughout the community in addressing the high teen pregnancy rates in Choctaw County. Since its development, the coalition has expanded its priority focus from adolescent health issues to include comprehensive health and wellness, community beautification/economic development, recreation, collaboration and networking, youth and family enrichment and education. The role of the coalition provides guidance for implementation of multiple prevention and intervention grant's and coalition action plans. The coalition has provided the necessary leadership to mobilize the community around important issues that have been identified by the community members it serves. Within this coalition's Turning Point framework, committees continuously work to address specific issues, which correspond to objectives adopted by the partnership.



SMART START Director, Dennis Willeford distributes books to promote school readiness and literacy to youth at the Boys/Girls Club National Night Out in Hugo



Hugo Senior After Prom Party and Drug Free Lock-In

## Partners:

Choctaw County Boys and Girls Club  
Department of Human Services  
Men United  
Outreach Ministries  
AEP- PSO  
Choctaw Nation Lifetime Legacy  
Whispering Pines Hospice  
SOC Systems of Care  
Little Dixie  
OSU Extension  
Baptist Village  
Hugo Daily News  
Lane Frost Rehabilitation  
Smart Start  
Choctaw Nation Youth Advisory Board  
Choctaw Nation Healthy Lifestyles  
SWAT  
Choctaw County Healthy Department  
Choctaw Memorial Hospital  
Kiamichi Technology Center  
Hugo, Ft. Towson, and Boswell Schools.  
Victory Life Church  
City Of Hugo  
Okla. Commission on Family and Youth  
Hugo Police Department  
Choctaw CO Sheriffs Department

## Crystal Darkness Campaign

Men United wear FIGHT METH Sweatshirts during event at the Hugo



## Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ "ELEPHANT WALK" Walking Trail and Hugo Skate Park
- ◆ Hugo Public Schools Signed MOU with the Alliance for A Healthier Generation for Comprehensive School Wellness
- ◆ Partnership with WATT—(Walking And Talking Time) with Hugo Elementary
- ◆ Expansion of Boys/Girls Club to two locations in Hugo
- ◆ Received Expansion dollars for Systems of Care Contract
- ◆ Crystal Darkness Phase I and II
- ◆ Involving high school and middle school students in Choctaw Nation Youth Advisory Board, 2M2L and SWAT
- ◆ Social Host Law Adopted by City of Hugo

## Key Activities:

- ◆ Hosted OHIP Listening Session
- ◆ Community Involvement/Strategic Planning Update
- ◆ School Policy Development/Adoption
- ◆ Boys/Girls Club/Mentor Program Development
- ◆ Walking Trails/ City Park Restoration
- ◆ Alliance for a Healthier Generation
- ◆ Systems of Care—Wrap Around Case Management
- ◆ School Curriculum Implementation on: Substance Abuse and Tobacco Prevention,
- ◆ Domestic Violence and Bullying
- ◆ Community Trash Off/Beautification
- ◆ Project S.P.I.T. Consortium ~Tobacco Control Activities
- ◆ Senior Citizen Hip Hop Dance
- ◆ Community Awareness Booths—Health Promo
- ◆ Social Host Law Passed
- ◆ 2M2L—Underage Drinking Prevention
- ◆ Responsible Sales for Retailers Training
- ◆ Sedentary Lifestyle Prevention Initiatives
- ◆ Golf Scramble Fund Raiser
- ◆ Application for Drug Free Community Grant
- ◆ DUI Campaign
- ◆ Child Abuse Prevention
- ◆ Literacy Education
- ◆ Park Clean Up Work Day
- ◆ Traffic Safety Events
- ◆ Prom After Party-Lock In
- ◆ Car Seat and Seat Belt Safety
- ◆ School Readiness Education
- ◆ Boys/Girls Club National Night Out
- ◆ Care Pregnancy Center Baby Shower
- ◆ Crystal Darkness Campaign ~ Phase I and II