

## **The right answers**

The Local Service Council had a mission to accomplish—and it did.

Tom Lackey, a LSC member, said the group wanted to have a resource directory online for easier access for service agencies in Pittsburg County.

There has been a regular resource director for several years now, Lackey said, but it was getting out of date and it was cumbersome to use.

Mike Ward, from OIL, said “We had done some work through OASIS online and had a lot of information.” OASIS is a statewide information and referral service to help Oklahomans in need.

Lackey, Carolyn Hathcote, from PCCARE, and Ward and Kristin Reed, from OIL, formed a committee to create the online directory.

“We whittled the 800 some odd categories down to 150,” Lackey said.

“Kristin started calling around to check phone numbers and addresses. She’s the real data clerk,” Lackey added. She also did the input on the agencies as there were changes.

Things just seem to fall into place.

Ward said they provided the information to Larry Cravens, a systems analyst and programmer, who set up the site for them with no charge. They got a Web site through GoDaddy.com. The funding for the site is provided through contributions by Prisoners Against Child Abuse.

Three months after they started, “It’s in pretty good shape,” Lackey said.

Access the site at [www.pcfcd.org](http://www.pcfcd.org) and click on “search resources.” From there, you will be directed to a page where you can click on a bar and choose from a resource. Then, you are directed to a page with all the agencies who provide that particular resource along with a telephone number and address.

Lackey said the site is still a work in progress. As agencies add services, they are added to the list.

The site also has a calendar of upcoming events. Lackey said agencies wishing to add to the calendar need to contact the site’s administrator at [administrator@pcfcd.org](mailto:administrator@pcfcd.org).

“It’s a good resource for the community,” Lackey said.