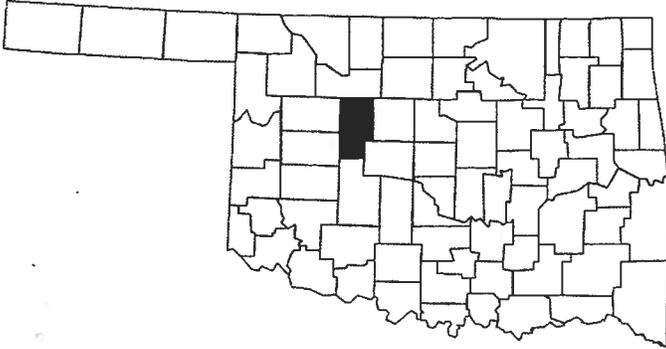


# BLAINE COUNTY

## BLAINE COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH ACTION TEAM

Established in 2002



**T**he Blaine County Community Health Action Team formed in 2002. They began by looking at the health status of the county residents and in particular the youth. It didn't take long for the partnership to decide something had to be done. They agreed that the issues are large and beginning with education may be the most appropriate step. They decided to partner with Watonga Kiwanis and host a county-wide 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wellness Day. This will allow the students to receive some education on topics that aren't traditionally taught in the schools. Every school in the county participated in the event, which was held November 5, 2003.

### Activities

- Developed partnership with area agencies, hospital, and community groups in August 2002.
- Planning for an 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wellness Conference.

### Outcomes

- Strong partnership committed to address health issues facing the community.
- Increase in awareness of public health issues in the community.

### Future Plans

- Host an 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wellness Day for all the county schools on a yearly basis.
- Develop a Community Health Improvement Plan.

### Participants

- Blaine County Health Department
- Roman Nose State Park
- Department of Human Services
- Oklahoma Commission for Children and Youth
- YWCA
- Business Owners
- Preventionworks
- Watonga Police Department
- Faith Community
- County Judge