



About Us...

The Garvin County Health Coalition formed 4 years ago as the Pauls Valley Health Coalition. In 2012, the coalition voted to become an official Turning Point Partnership and changed their name to reflect county wide initiatives. One of the main activities of the coalition is to host an annual wellness fair for residents of the county. The coalition will host their 3rd Annual fair in October 2013.

This county wide coalition is working to promote healthy living for all citizens of Garvin County and to create a healthier place to live, work, and play.

The coalition has developed a strategic

plan to allow them to focus their efforts on designated priorities.

In 2013, the coalition will focus on promotion and increased awareness of the certified healthy programs with businesses, schools and communities. This promotion is vital to ensure all partners are involved in increasing awareness of a healthier Garvin County.

Capacity building is a primary focus of the coalition this year. Our focus is to involve non traditional partners to the coalition.

The coalition is also exploring opportunities to recruit new members and to involve addi-

tional sectors. Members are also exploring other avenues to inform the public on the importance of a healthier lifestyle. Coalition members are also seeking opportunities for funding in order to expand their efforts in the community.

In 2013, the Garvin County Health Coalition created a sub-committee called the Valley Harvest Community Garden. After a lot of hard work and dedication in this rural town of Pauls Valley the garden has been successful. The garden holds several plots for citizens to use. The garden holds: tomatoes, okra, squash, eggplant, peppers, garlic, melons and soon to be pumpkins. The coalition looks for the participation of the garden to grow over time.



Valley Harvest Community Garden Plots. You will notice a few pictures throughout the report of some of our produce.



“To Create an Environment that promotes a healthier lifestyle within the community.”

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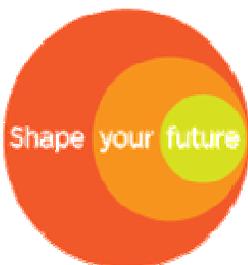
Partnership Priorities

- ◇ Nutrition & Fitness– Access to Fresh Fruits & Vegetables, Community Gardens
- ◇ Mental Health– Explore Systems of Care
- ◇ Substance Abuse– Encourage Tobacco free facilities
- ◇ Monitoring Emerging Issues
- ◇ Community Engagement

Mission Statement

To create an environment that promotes a healthier lifestyle within the community.

*The greatest wealth is health
~ Unknown*



Activities

- Coalition Membership Recruitment
- Coalition Promotion
- Drug Prevention & Awareness Program
- Certified Healthy Programs Promotion
- Community Garden– Valley Harvest Community Garden
- Underage Drinking Prevention



Partnerships

- City of Pauls Valley
- Donald W. Reynolds Recreation Center
- Garvin County Health Department
- Garvin/McClain County Youth and Family Services
- Mental Health Services of Southern Oklahoma
- Oklahoma Federation of Families
- OSU Extension Services
- Pauls Valley General Hospital
- Pauls Valley Lions Club
- Pauls Valley United Fund
- Safe Kids of Oklahoma
- South Central Medical & Resource Center
- The Chickasaw Nation
- OSDH Turning Point
- Wichita Mountains Prevention Network
- Volunteers

Outcomes/Impacts

- ◇ Implementing Strategic Planning 2013
- ◇ 3rd Annual Wellness Fair Planning 2013
- ◇ Underage Drink Prevention Campaign 2013
- ◇ Community Garden 2013– Valley Harvest Community Garden of Pauls Valley

FUNDING

- ◇ Underage Drinking Prevention Campaign– Wichita Mountains Prevention Network

