



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 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 made 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 the 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.



Partnership Priorities

- Leadership
- Children and Youth
- Community Image
- Community Promotion
- Health and Wellness
- Business Involvement
- Going Green



Community Profile: Strengths and Challenges

We've accomplished a lot by working together. The only way we can get things done in a small community is by working together.

-Fran Morrell,
Coalition Member

The coalition's challenges are not unlike other small communities. Things cannot be accomplished unless the entire community pulls together. The beauty of the TDT is that they

exemplify the type of energy needed to move a small community forward. The coalition engages representatives from all parts of the community who continually

contribute to its overall success.



Description of Assessments

OCCY in partnership with key coalition members, administered an assessment that helped the community identify the need for more youth-oriented activities in the

county. Based on the knowledge gleaned from that assessment, the coalition helped develop and execute the 8th Period after school program, which is primarily focused on middle-school aged children.

The community was also able to identify the need for counseling services for families. instrumental in bringing family-oriented counseling services to the area.



Featured Intervention / Project

The community is very proud of its newly installed Splash Pad. This was a true community effort in that local leaders initiated funding this project and community members, organizations, foundations, and agencies followed

suit.

The Splash Pad contributes to the town's beauty and provides a place for young people to enjoy outdoor activity when the temperatures heat up.

In a joint initiative around health and fitness, the

Tishomingo Development Team representing Johnston County and the Love County Community Coalition were awarded a TSET Community of Excellence in Nutrition and Fitness grant.

The newly formed

consortium includes half its members from each county and a Nutrition and Fitness Coordinator who will facilitate grant activities that will include making both counties more conducive to healthy lifestyle change.

Funding

Communities of Excellence Fitness and Nutrition Grant

Purpose: Fund systemic changes around fitness and nutrition for Love and Johnston counties.

Funding Period: July 2011—September 2012

Funder: Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust

8th Period After-School Program

Purpose: Fund after school program primarily focused on middle-school aged children.

Funding Period: Ended June 2011.

Funder: Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth

Impact

The TDT has been instrumental in strengthening the built environment. The town's improvement in its overall appearance can be attributed to coalition partners who recognize the need for an attractive place to live, work, and play.



Partners

Tishomingo Development Team Meets 1st Tuesday , 12-1 p.m. Murray State College Faculty Lounge, Tishomingo

Cindy Matheny, Chair
 Karen Cantrell, Vice Chair
 Mary Ann Rutledge, Secretary
 Rayleynn Cole, Treasurer

Committees:

Rex. Morrell, Community Image
 Seigel Paul Heffington, Community Promotion
 Janie Cagle/Janie Robinson, Health and Wellness
 Sharon Frazier, Family Support
 Ginny McCarthick, Leadership
 Cindy Matheny, Business Involvement

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| 2M2L | Johnston County |
| Area Prevention Resource Center | Community Resource Association |
| City Government | Johnston County Courthouse |
| Community Foundations of Oklahoma | Johnston County EMS |
| Industrial Authority | Johnston County Health Department |
| INCA Community Services | Local Youth |
| Landmark Bank | Murray State College |
| Law Enforcement | Public Schools |
| Johnston County OSU Extension | Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth |
| Johnston County Chamber of Commerce | Tri-County OK |

Partnership Outcomes



- Built Splash Pad
- Completed Youth Leadership— Johnston County
- Farmer’s Market
- Youth skate board park
- Implemented 8th Period, an after school program
- Hosted Fit and Fun Summer Youth Camp
- Hosted 24th Annual Alfalfa Bike Run
- Increased access to fresh fruits and vegetables through community events