

Sooner SUCCESS/Networking Group

An OCCY & Turning Point Partnership

Logan County

Coalition Priorities:

1. Physical Activity & Nutrition
2. Early Childhood issues & education
3. Prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse

About Us...

The Logan County Turning Point Coalition this year began to focus some of their efforts on improving the built environment for its citizens. The coalition was named a finalist for a grant that would have brought a team of specialists to Guthrie to analyze the city in terms its conduciveness to pedestrians and cyclists. Although the coalition was not awarded the grant, they do plan on applying again next year.

The coalition also brought in the City of Guthrie as a new partner, allowing the group to make progress in regard to the city's master plan. This master plan includes miles of bicycling/walking trails throughout the city. The coalition was able to purchase three water fountains and six trail signs with a WIC/Turning Point Grant, and those fountains and signs will be placed along the Highland Park section of trails.

In addition, the coalition was recently awarded monies to implement the Systems of Care Model for Logan County, to host a one-day enrichment opportunity for all child care providers in Logan County, and to implement a tobacco control plan in accordance with the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Communities of Excellence grant.

Partners:

Logan County Health Department
Logan Medical Center
Guthrie YMCA
City of Guthrie
Logan County DHS
Logan County OSU Extension Services
Smart Start Logan County
OCCY
Logan County Sooner SUCCESS

Key Activities:

- Work to improve built environment, removing barriers to physical activity.
- Work to improve the lives of children and their families considered at-risk.
- Work to improve the quality of child care offered to Logan County residents.

Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ Even though the actual trails are not yet completed, the Highland Park Trails Enhancement Project will enable residents to enjoy the trails in a more "exercise friendly" environment while simultaneously increasing users knowledge of the benefits of physical activity and nutrition.
- ◆ Two staff persons were hired to support the implementation of the Systems of Care Model in Logan County.
- ◆ One staff person was hired to implement the beginnings phases of the tobacco control plan.

