



Believer's In Boswell Community Coalition

Choctaw County

2008



Coalition Priorities:

- Partnerships with Community and County Organizations
- Boswell Youth Center
- Youth Education and Development
- Community Healthy Living Initiatives
- Community Development and Beautification
- Community Outreach and Family Activities.

About Us...

'**Working Together for a Greater Boswell**', this is the simple Mission Statement of the Believers In Boswell Community Coalition, Inc. Throughout the year of 2008 the members of the Believers In Boswell (BIB), have worked non-stop in promoting programs and projects designed to fulfill the objectives set forth in their 2008 strategic plan. To which the Believers In Boswell has successfully developed several award winning community programs and/or projects, thereby assuring the development of a 'Greater Boswell'.

...Boswell is the smallest community to receive a 'Excellence Award for Community Development' and to be granted a CBO grant. The Boswell Youth Center looks forward to it's grand opening by the first of the new year. The Boswell Plan4College Center will be moved to a permanent home within the youth center. BIB applied and received a \$10,000 CBO grant, that will help advance the Plan4College Center in it's efforts to increase the enrollment of 8th-10th grade students within the Boswell, Bennington and Soper school districts. With the completion of the Energy Efficient Lighting Improvement Project at the Boswell Park, residents and visitors alike can enjoy our beautiful little park in comfort and safety. Latest park improvement project to be kicked-off by BIB is the 'Project Playground'.

Partners:

Jackson Family Foundation; Boswell, Bennington, Soper Pubic Schools; Oklahoma Regents of Higher Education; SOSU/Durant; OSU Extension/Hugo; Choctaw/Pushmataha Co. Health Depts. (projects, SWAT/SPIT); Oklahoma Dept. of Commerce; Boswell Masonic Lodge; Choctaw Co. Commissioner Dist. #1; 2M2L; Choctaw Nation's Healthy Marriage/Healthy Kids; Choctaw Nation Youth Advisory Board; Little Dixie CAA + RSVP; Choctaw Nation Healthy Lifestyles; Project Promise; Boswell VFW; Boswell VFD; Boswell Boy Scouts; Boswell Girl Scouts; Boswell Public Library; Pierce Family + Dixie Café; Backwoods Café; Boswell Town Council; Choctaw County Coalition and Department of Human Services

Key Activities:

2008 Strategic Planning
 Boswell Youth Center
 Plan4College Center
 1st Annual Spring-Fling
 Project Falvmichi
 Trash Off Campaign
 Boswell Park Lighting Project (completed)
 Membership & Coalition
 Partnership Recruitment
 3rd Annual Fall Festival
 4th Annual Family Fun Night
 'SWAT' Kick Butts on Hollywood
 Movie Night
 Boswell Park Clean-up and
 Beautification project Adopt-A-Spot

2nd Annual Health Expo
 Received Keep Oklahoma Beautiful mini-grant
 Keep Oklahoma Beautiful essay, (awarded, Troybuilt 3-in-1)
 Independence Day Celebration
 2st Annual Dixie Café BBQ Cook
 Off Antique Car + Tractor Show
 1st Annual Dixie Days Celebration
 3rd Annual Truck-or-Treat Night
 Community Benefits and Fundraisers
 Project Playgroud (campaign/project to raise the funding to purchase new playground equipment for the Boswell Park)

Significant Outcomes:

- Completed Energy Efficient Lighting Grant project
- Hosted 1st Annual Spring-Fling (dedication to new amphitheater pavilion + park lighting improvement project)
- Received a \$10,000 CBO grant (Plan4College Center)
- Purchased 64'x93' modular building for youth center
- 2nd Annual Health Expo
- SWAT-Stomp Butts On Hollywood (Kids Movie Night)
- BIB's Vice-Chairman receives 2008 Little Dixie CAA ~ RSVP Volunteer of the Year award.
- Co-Hosted Independence Day Fireworks Celebration
- 2nd Annual Health Expo w/LifeLine Screening
- 1st Annual Dixie Days Celebration
- Raised \$2,000+ for Project PlayGroud
- Received \$250 Keep Oklahoma Beautiful (KOB) grant
- ◆ Won KOB/Troybuilt essay

