

Osage County Community Partnership

Osage County
2008

Coalition Priorities:

1. Access to health care
2. Senior living
3. Tobacco Use Prevention
4. Mental Health
5. Substance Abuse Prevention
6. Physical Fitness & Nutrition

About Us...

The Osage County Community Partnership partnered with Turning Point this year. Before the coalitions were separate, however worked closely together. The timing came about for the partnerships to both start clean. This kept the initiatives going. Osage County performed a community needs survey in 2003, they developed priorities and accomplished them. So a new county needs survey was conducted this year as well as a senior living survey. The results started new initiatives such as fitness and nutrition events, drug education and senior living.

Plants bloom and thrive in the warmth and light of a greenhouse, the Green House Project, does the same for the elderly in hope that it is a place where the aged can also bloom. Osage County is looking at the model Greenhouse Project for an old but new way of looking at senior living.

Small businesses make up the majority of employees in Osage County and in these settings often have access to fewer benefits than do the employees who work in their larger counterparts. That is why Make It Your Business is at the top of the priority list and has been very successful at getting started.

Partners:

Osage Co. Health Dept.	Osage Nation Cultural Center
Indian Electric	American Red Cross
Osage Nation	Thunderbird Academy
OSU Extension Services	Girl Scout's of American
Osage Sheriff's Dept.	Alzheimer's Association
Pawhuska Chamber of Commerce	Oklahoma Commission on Children & Youth
Pawhuska Public Schools	Osage Nation Education Department
Osage Nation Counseling Center	Delaware Child Development
Skiatook Family Resource Center	Fairfax Chamber of Commerce
OSU APRC	Wynona Public Schools
ROCMND APRC	Osage County DHS
Osage Nation	Osage County DAS
Housing Authority of Osage County	Tulsa ACC
Oxford Health Care	

Key Activities:

- Make It Your Business-Summits, Runs, Bicycle Events and Walks
- Walking for Sobriety
- Walkable Community-trail & park development
- Tobacco Prevention SWAT and 24/7 policies
- Greenhouse Project
- Red Ribbon Events
- Walk to School Day-Safe Routes to School
- Diabetes Education throughout schools

Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ Osage Nation Tobacco Free 24/7
- ◆ Addressing priorities from Osage County Health Survey and Osage County Senior Living Survey

