

Tillman County Youth and Community Coalition

Tillman County
2008

Coalition Priorities:

1. Community Mobilization
2. Youth Empowerment
3. Partnership Development
4. Tobacco Use Prevention

About Us...

Tillman County Youth and Community Coalition was formed in 2007. They have spent much of their time identifying key stakeholders in the community, discussing the strengths of the community and the potential barriers to their efforts.

One of their initial successes is the partnership between Tillman, Harmon and Greer counties in their efforts to address tobacco use within the three county area through a five year grant awarded by the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET).

Additionally, coalition members are presenting information to students at the Alternative School regarding healthy choices, drug prevention, and other life skills. SWAT and 2m2I Teams are being formed at the Alternative School.

Partners:

OSU Extension
Wichita Mtn Prevention Network
Tillman Co Health Dept.
Frederick Chamber of Commerce
Frederick School
Frederick Police Dept.
City of Frederick
Community Action Group
Youth
BancFirst
Southwestern Youth Services
Frederick Press
Southwest Okla Juvenile Center
Food Bank
Bethel Baptist
Tillman Co DHS
Success by Six

Key Activities:

- Partnership planning and development
- Members presented to Alternative School several times on issues such as teen pregnancy prevention, dangers of substances abuse and positive choices.
- Identifying resources to continue local PSI (Postponing Sexual Involvement) curriculum.

Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ Active, committed group of people meeting on a monthly basis to identify and address their local public health issues
- ◆ Funded for year two of Communities of Excellence grant to address tobacco use.
- ◆ Frederick School passed 24/7 tobacco-free ordinance

