

**TURNING POINT INITIATIVE
COMMUNITY REPORT ON PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES**

November 2002

COAL COUNTY

- 2002 Activities
 - Partnership for Change project collaborative implemented
 - Open forum
 - Applying for Safe and Drug Free Schools Grant

- Outcomes
 - Identified key personnel on the local, state and federal level
 - Conducted an open forum for introductions and identification of barriers
 - Established current services available
 - Developed the community COALition partnership and merged with the Partnership for Change Initiative
 - Identified nutrition services that are not being met
 - Developed a general plan on the coalition could best function on the local level
 - Core groups formed to meet specific needs of the community
 - Core groups comprised of local partners

- Future Plans
 - Expand the partnership
 - Expand the number of core groups to meet all needs of the community
 - Establish networking between service providers to meet identified needs
 - Identify and obtain funds to be used for this project not otherwise identified

- Participants
 - USDA
 - Department of Agricultural
 - Regional Food Bank
 - Oklahoma State Department of Health Turning Point and WIC staff
 - Big Five Community Action Agency
 - OSU Extension
 - Choctaw Nation
 - Coal County Commissioners
 - Oklahoma State Department of Human Services
 - Dayspring Church
 - Oklahoma State Department of Education
 - Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - INCA Community Action Agency
 - Coal County Health Department

- Coal County Department of Human Services
- Head Start
- Senior Nutrition Center
- Coal County Public School Systems
- Coal County Fire Departments