

# Greer County Turning Point Partnership

Greer County

2007

## Coalition Priorities:

1. Underage Drinking
2. Teen Pregnancy
3. Tobacco Prevention
4. Nutrition / Physical Activity

## Partners:

Granite Police Dept  
Greer County Health Dept  
Granite Housing Authority  
Red Rock Area Prevention  
Resource Center

Southwest Oklahoma  
Community Action  
Group, Inc  
Faith Community  
Concerned Citizens  
Town of Granite

## About Us...

Parents in a small, Greer County town began meeting on their own at the local public school. They were becoming more and more alarmed about the behaviors they heard the youth in the community were involved in. They became a Turning Point partnership in May 2007. In the few short months of their establishment, they have approached the town council about passing a Social Host Ordinance in hopes to curb some of the underage drinking that is occurring, they applied for a TSET grant as they are keenly aware tobacco is a gateway drug, they also applied for a WIC mini Grant to enhance their local walking/hiking trail and butterfly garden and are planning a countywide youth speak out.

They have given true meaning to Margaret Mead's quote, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

## Key Activities:

- ◆ Applied for Communities of Excellence grant
- ◆ Applied for WIC mini grant focused on physical activity and nutrition
- ◆ Concerned parents began meeting to discuss youth's risky behaviors
- ◆ Discussion and research on the Social Host Ordinance
- ◆ High School Leadership Training for Mangum Public Schools

## Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ Partnered with neighboring counties and received the Communities of Excellence Grant through TSET.
- ◆ Planning Youth Speak Out for December 2007.
- ◆ Purchased kiosk and signage for walking/hiking trail and butterfly garden
- ◆ Received a \$5,000 WIC mini grant
- ◆ Small group of committed, concerned citizens are meeting and planning in order to improve their community
- ◆ 2m2l youth team in Mangum
- ◆ Mangum youth participated in youth leadership training conducted by Red Rock APRC



**Mangum High School's 2m2l team**

2m2l or 2 Much 2 Lose is an underage drinking initiative through the Oklahoma Highway Safety Office