Priorities:

- Physical Activity/Nutrition
- Substance Abuse Prevention/Tobacco Prevention
- Mental Health Acciss
- Responsible Sexual Behavior
- Access to Healthcare/Health Disparities
- Economic-Community Development

Major Outcomes:

- System of Care established
- Leadership Love County
- Love County Victim Advocate office established

A Lil' Bit About Us….

An already existing Child Abuse Prevention Task Force became the Turning Point Partnership. It is from this task force that community leaders began to look at the health risk factors that could be improved upon with the Turning Point process.

In 2006, the partnership continued to meet monthly with a full complement of members to consolidate gains made in the prior year, particularly in support of the start-up of Love County System of Care and the Love County Victim Advocate office. The group studied but passed on completing an application for a Tobacco Settlement grant. However, they served with Carter County Health Department in putting on a one-day Drug-Alcohol Education Summit for parents, educators and professionals. They also fostered a presentation by teen residents of the Morningstar Adolescent Treatment Unit. In the fall, the partners identified their key Turning Point community policy/social issues as 1 - Substance Abuse/Tobacco Prevention. 2 - Addressing Teen Risky Behaviors. 3 - Access to Healthcare for all Oklahomans/Health Disparities. 4- (tie) Physical Activity/Obesity, and Mental Health Access. 6 - Economic-Community Development.

Partners

Barbara Sessions
Bethel Union Baptist Church
Chamber of Commerce
Community Children's Shelter
CASA of Southern OK
Department of Human Services
Family Shelter of Southern Oklahoma
First National Bank
First Christian Church
First United Methodist Church
Greenville School System
Juvenile Services
Lake County Nursing Home
Leadership Love County
Love County Chamber of Commerce
Love County Children's Review Board
Love County District Attorney
Love County Family Shelter
Love County Farm Bureau
Love County Health Department
Love County Hospital
Love County Multidisciplinary Team
Love County Sheriff
Love County System of Care
Marietta City
Marietta Lions Club
Marietta Police Department
Marietta School System
Mental Health Services of Southern Oklahoma
OSU Extension Services

Thackerville School System
Wichita Mtns. Prevention Network

Key Activities

- Followed the progress of legislative agenda from the Institute for Child Advocacy and other bills, particularly the Kelsey Smith-Briggs Child Protection Reform Act
- Met with state evaluators to support the Community Children's Shelter in its application for a renewed Child Abuse Prevention grant covering Carter-Love Counties
- Called together the referral team for System of Care and assisted the staff in developing a Love County caseload
- Facilitated the welcome of Wichita Mountains Prevention Network, the new prevention agency for our area. Timely introduction with Marietta Middle School saved their Red Ribbon Week plans
- Fostered a presentation of the key feeding programs in the county for hungry and food-insecure
- Rallied applications for Leadership Love County Class IV
- Introduced new PACT team for Carter-Love Counties in support of seriously mentally ill
- Completed a One-Stop Resource Center Questionnaire and lobbied for Marietta location
- Attended Social Marketing Workshop
- Fostered a Turning Point presentation to Leadership Love County

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