

TURNING POINT INITIATIVE COMMUNITY REPORT ON PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES

November 2002

MCINTOSH COUNTY

- 2002 Activities
 - The Coalition has four standing committees that demonstrate the collaborative efforts used to achieve the goals set forth in the strategic plan of June 2001.
 - Alternative Activities – this committee organizes activities, which are alternatives to using drugs and alcohol. This past year the coalition has sponsored fun events, back-to-school parties and retreats for kids, established SWAT with approximately 55 students, sponsored the Family Zone at the annual fireworks party, established Hummingbird Beach – a drug free recreation area, and established a community garden.
 - Education/Skills Training – this committee helps youth and adults improve decision-making, peer resistance skills, stress management and problem solving skills. Committee members teach classes in local schools, supported Red Ribbon Week, Parent University seminars, Victim’s Impact Panel and several other community education programs.
 - Media – this committee provides awareness to the community regarding key issues and ways the community can get involved. Coalition youth participated in radio spots and worked on events. The local newspaper comes to meetings and reports on all coalition activities.
 - Environmental Policy – the committee supports positive changes in community norms and laws. This year they supported and honored restaurants for being smoke free, supported local law enforcement in efforts to prevent drug and alcohol use among teens and working on instituting Keg Registration.
 - Synar Committee – forming to work with under age tobacco use.
 - SICA Grant Project – the coalitions grant is called Creating Lasting Connections and the Green County Behavioral Health Services serves as the fiscal agent.
 - Over 3100 people in McIntosh county were served this past year through these various projects.
 - Approximately 55 volunteers.
 - Created a website: <http://groups.msn.com/MCCOCO/home.htm>>
- Outcomes
 - Coalition membership continues to grow
 - Referrals with partnership members has grown

- Surveys with are youth through pre/post tests show that through the efforts of the coalition, the education and awareness of social and health issues has increased.
 - The school reports a lower number of fights.
 - Increased demand from parents to participate in programs
 - Funding continues to come from fund raisers, local businesses and in-kind.
- Future Plans
 - Continue to expand and fight the war on drug and alcohol use in McIntosh County!
- Participants

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Juvenile Services ➤ Lake Eufaula Association ➤ Creek Nation Eufaula Boarding School ➤ Community Youth ➤ Eufaula Public Schools ➤ DHS ➤ MCHD ➤ Wesleyan Youth, Inc. ➤ Pizza Hut ➤ Hanna Public Schools ➤ First Baptist Church of Eufaula ➤ Checotah Police Department ➤ Peoples National Bank ➤ BEACON ➤ Muskogee Nation Lighthouse Police ➤ Dentist ➤ American Cancer Society ➤ Checotah School Nurse ➤ DA's Drug Task Force ➤ Community Hospital Lakeview ➤ Medical Doctor ➤ Sulphur Springs Baptist Church ➤ God's Helping Hands ➤ Choices for Life Foster Care, Inc. ➤ American Legion ➤ Checotah Public Schools ➤ Angels Touch Hospice ➤ Checotah Main Street ➤ OSU Extension ➤ Green Country Behavioral Health ➤ Oklahoma Highway Patrol ➤ Workforce Oklahoma ➤ Quest, Inc. ➤ McIntosh County Sheriff Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Eufaula Memorial Library ➤ Foster Parents ➤ OCCY ➤ Radio ➤ P.A.R.B. ➤ Pittsburg County SWAT ➤ Joyful Day Preschool ➤ Rep. State of Oklahoma ➤ Victim's Impact Panel ➤ 1st United Methodist ➤ Wellington Hills Home ➤ Creek Nation Headstart ➤ Fountainhead State Park ➤ Lifewater Ministries ➤ Retired Senior Volunteers ➤ 4-H ➤ Deep Fork Comm. Action ➤ Youth Services ➤ District Judge ➤ Stidham Public Schools ➤ County Commissioner ➤ Chamber of Commerce ➤ Girl Scouts ➤ Indian Journal ➤ Out Back ➤ R Steel and Sons ➤ B & J Insurance ➤ OK for Independent Living ➤ Home Health ➤ Hanna House of Prayer ➤ Youth Shelter ➤ Attorney's ➤ Workforce in Action ➤ K & L Karaoke
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