

# Washington County Washington County Wellness Initiative 2004

- **Activities**

- First organizational meeting was held on January 15. County data was presented. Some of the issues discussed include lack of mental health services, access for adult indigent health care, lack of dental care providers, late/no prenatal care especially for the Spanish population, medical/health literacy among Spanish speaking, lack of immunized children.
- From that first meeting, the International Resource Committee was formed and met for the first time in February. They began researching possible locations for a Hispanic Resource Center, creating a database of service providers and clients and create a system of reaching out to this population.
- May – the International Resource Committee joined forces with the Conoco/Phillips Hispanic Network.
- May – Community Needs Assessment survey questions were finalized.
- August – 5,000 surveys were distributed through various health facilities, schools, Wal-Mart, fire stations, police stations and city hall.
- October – Washington County was named as a Walk This Weigh community and will begin working with the Vo-Tech on coordinating activities.

- **Outcomes**

- Formation of the Hispanic Resource Center – La Casa Hispana. The committee is in the process of securing a building for the center.
- Over 4,000 completed surveys were returned and are in the process of being entered.
- September – Conoco/Phillips made a \$16,000 donation to the Hispanic Resource Committee as seed money for the Hispanic Resource Center – La Casa Hispana!
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- **Future Plans**

- Based on the Community Needs Assessment create a strategic plan for the community health improvement process.
- Continue to develop plans for La Casa Hispana.

- **Participants**

- Washington County Health Department
- Washington County Public Schools
- Wal-Mart
- City of Bartlesville
- Fire Department
- Conoco/Phillips
- Jane Phillips Medical Center
- Green Country Free Clinic
- Concern
- Delaware Tribe Child Development Program
- Community Action
- Several local churches
- Head Start
- United Way
- Chamber of Commerce