

Texas County Coalition

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2010

Coalition Priorities:

1. Youth Shelter
2. Access to Care
3. Children's Health

About Us...

Texas County Coalition is a diverse partnership with a desire to give the people of Texas County every opportunity to be healthy, productive citizens. Texas County's partnership was one of the three originally funded partnerships when they received a grant from the W.K. Kellogg and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation in 1998. Texas County Coalition currently has three sub-committees-the Comprehensive Health Task Force, Youth Shelter Committee, and a Projects Committee. These committees main objectives are working on developing a youth shelter, bringing more Medicaid providers to the area, and projects such as the Children's Health Fair and TSET grant application.

Through grants and local fundraisers, the youth shelter will soon be a reality. They are currently in the process of remodeling the location and hope to have it finished by spring.

The Children's Health Fair was once again a success. It is held every July, and brings many children's services to one location before school starts.

Partners:

Oklahoma Family Network	City of Guymon
Department of Human Services	Northwest APRC
Faith Community	Oklahoma Panhandle State University
Guymon Public Schools	OSDH Turning Point Staff
Local Citizens	OSU Extension
Memorial Hospital of Texas County	Texas County EMS
Next Step Network	Texas County Fire Department
Northwest Domestic Crisis	Texas County Health Department
Brown & Associates Insurance	Texas County School Systems
Local Doctors	Systems of Care
Federation of Families	DA's Office
	Western Plains Youth

• Key Activities:

- Collected donations for Write Stuff program
- Continued collaboration of OPSU and Northwestern Universities for Master of Counseling Program
- Partnered with local companies to host fundraisers for youth shelter
- Held meeting between local healthcare providers, Oklahoma Health Care Authority, and coalition representatives
- Distributed community assessment throughout county

Significant Outcomes:

- Over 350 children attended Children's Health Fair
- 250 backpacks filled with school supplies distributed to Texas County schools through Write Stuff project (picture at right)
- Received grant to begin work on youth shelter
- Systems of Care working with multiple families
- Received CX Wave 3 Tobacco grant

