Community Coalition meeting

March 27, 2025

Welcome

1. Introductions- How’s your bracket(s) doing?

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1. Community Successes!
   1. Grant writing seminar, 60 participants.
   2. Hole Drilling for Child care Expansion (Christ Kids)
   3. STEP Moundridge Graduation
   4. Renaming of McPherson SOUL (social outreach league), Launching Mutual Aid Network
   5. Windows and Mirrors Media Club with Twice told tales
   6. Measles Outbreak positive communication out and feedback
   7. Resource Fair- Jun 7, 2025 10-1
   8. Drug Recovery Court- should be starting Jul (ish) Funding secured
2. Community Needs Assessment Opportunities
   1. How can the Coalition help facilitate this work?
      1. Work on the Actionable steps (communities will have separate however many will be shared between communities)
         1. find champions for each category
      2. Look at the Data together and form Committee
         1. View from wide perspectives
      3. Substance abuse
         1. What barriers exist and how can we help overcome them.
         2. Help spread word about the funding opportunities for supporting
         3. Support reducing the stigma

[https://](https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/taxes-and-financing/wotc/)<https://bonds4jobs.com/>

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Corey Brock (Workforce Services)

* + 1. With a County in top 10 in KS- it can exacerbate the concerns for those who are not experiences good health outcome

1. Child Care Opportunities

<https://childcareinkansas.com/> - Families looking for child care and providers

DCF subsidy program- 250% poverty to be eligible. Family share portion has decreased

1. Mastermind Year 3, Open Through May 9, 2025
2. Immediate needs or concerns?
   1. DCF has revamped the website [dcf.ks.gov](http://dcf.ks.gov)
   2. Increasing awareness of usage subsidy awareness
3. Upcoming events
   1. Next Grant Cycle is due May 15, 2025
   2. LIEP open dates through March 31, 2025
   3. Rural Cohort Neighboring Movement June 2025- Accepting Applications
   4. Jul 26, 2025 United Way Triathlon
4. Dismiss

Next Coalition meeting will be May 22, 2025- The new Zoom link will work for all Coalition meetings this year.