

# Boise County Health Coalition Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 17th, 2024

10:00am – 11:00am

Horseshoe Bend School- Conference Room in Student Center

398 School Rd. Horseshoe Bend, ID 83629

Hybrid Meeting; See virtual meeting link below



## Welcome & Introductions

Attendees: Tracy Hall, Laura Ackerman, Kelsey Williams, Bundy Stephens, Travis Schmidt, Tonya Heffington

## Old Business

### Update on Idaho City LEAP Housing Taskforce (Mindy)

Mindy sent out a survey to get availability from Idaho City community leaders to find out when would be a good time to schedule a next meeting, but have only gotten 2 responses thus far. Tonya recommended starting conversations in other Boise County communities and Kelsey mentioned she is confident they could get this conversation started pretty easily in HSB. Mindy will reach out to Bart at LEAP and ask about the possibility of making a pitch to HSB City Council.

### Review Mental Health Fair Ideas (Mindy)

The brainstorming document for the Mental Health Fairs is here:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1M7yehRCuaSgkT4mezMU9RVI8SNOP9C5c2NQSz2d1OE/edit?usp=sharing>

BCHC Members please go in and start adding names of businesses to reach out to, and booth ideas. Please also note whether or not you are have a connection and are able to reach out to them for their interest in participating.

Mindy shared brainstormed name ideas for the events in the different city. Still need to work on finding one that fits well for Idaho City. We also brainstormed other important details for the events, e.g.:

- Choose a date(s) in Sept. to align with back to school, cooler outdoor temps, and suicide prevention month.
- Make sure to check school schedules and align with them.
- Try to piggyback GV/HSB in AM/PM so vendors can plan for one whole day rather than multiple trips?
- Have a passport/BINGO card for participation at booths.

It sounds like we don't want to provide funding to vendors for participations, but could use funding for buying food for the event (if possible in the funding guidelines) OR food gift certificates OR baskets for a free raffle.

Ideally there would be a committee of people working on this in each community. Laura does most of the planning for the HSB event, but we may be able to work all together. Mindy will be in contact with everyone interested/able to help plan on a regular basis (check ins via email once a month). We can also provide updates and ask for help at future coalition meetings.

Add partner organizations to connections document (Mindy)

ALL BCHC MEMBERS: Please review the following connections document, and add/ update any info for your organization into it: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tlllgrdD0lJ8IkK4ESJzKcyW3n-b8O5AaKf8U4R53fc/edit?usp=sharing>

Others?

### **New Business: Roundtable Announcements, Needs and Ideas**

Let's share resources & needs you have!

**Mindy-** showed a draft copy of the impact report for the BCHC. If there is any notable accomplishment that you might like added to the impact report, please send to Mindy ASAP. We plan to use the impact report to show the work that BCHC has been doing, and gauge interest for more members, and potentially utilize for future funding announcements.

**Bundy-** was able to connect with Terry who runs the Basin Library District Bookmobile, and has been partnering with her to get resources up into Lowman. Thank you Bundy!

**Kelsey-** was trained to do CATCH Housing Assessments. She provided us some really good information that she learned from her training, and will be passing along information for future training opportunities to Bundy and Tonya.

**Laura-** shared that Garden Valley Medicine was able to hire 2 new PAs! Congrats! Emily from WIC updated that there have been more staff that have left WIC, and it will be unlikely that WIC will be back in HSB for a while. Mindy will reach out to Emily to investigate the possibility of community partners getting trained to do in-person appointment things for WIC (like weighing babies, etc.), while meeting with WIC CA virtually.

Wee Ones last day open before Christmas break is Friday Dec 20<sup>th</sup>, but will be available for emergent needs over the Christmas break until Jan 10<sup>th</sup>. They have lots of diapers and wipes if anyone needs help with those resources. Laura is going to email and connect with Tonya about their shared clientele. Laura also mentioned there are emergent food services available from the HSB Food Pantry.

**Tonya-** shared about Dolly Parton's Imagination Library which provides a free book every month for kiddos between the ages of 0-5. Learn more about the program here is interested:

<https://imaginationlibrary.com/usa/>

**Action Items:**

- Mindy: Investigate Meals on Wheels options for Boise County
- Mindy: Investigate home health care options for Boise County
- Mindy: Work with Natalie to plan boothing opportunities at Senior Centers in HSB and Idaho City
- Mindy: Look into getting SWIAA ads into newspapers
- Mindy: Investigate daycare solutions
- Mindy: Schedule follow up meeting for LEAP/ Idaho City Affordable Housing taskforce
- Mindy: Follow up on mobile primary care providers for Idaho City- Haven't heard back
- Tonya: Chat with Russ @CDH about primary care provider for Idaho City
- All: Enter ideas into [collaborative document for Mental Health Fairs](#) to occur next year
- Mindy: Talk to Emily about virtual WIC support via community partners
- Mindy: Talk with Bart about LEAP presentation in HSB
- Laura: Reach out to Tonya to connect

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Jan 28<sup>th</sup> 10am-11am. In Person Location: Idaho City (Tentative)