

Boise County Health Coalition Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 25th, 2025

10:00am – 11:00am

Garden Valley School District Office

1053 Banks Lowman Road, Garden Valley, Idaho 83622

Hybrid Meeting; See virtual meeting link below



Welcome & Introductions:

Attendees: Mary Thompson, Carol Loban, Stephany Corn, Laura Ackerman, Berenice Medina, Tonya Heffington, Lynsey Bell, Nancy Allen, Hannah Spafford, Mindy Curran

Presentation: WICHHC (Western Idaho Community Health Collaborative)

Berenice Medina, from WICHHC gave a presentation about the upcoming Community Health Needs Assessment (CNHA) which will begin its data collection phase in March, and she is looking for community champions who can help distribute the survey (which will take a person 10 minutes max to complete), participate in 1-on-1 interviews and/or host focus groups with their population. She gave an excellent presentation outlining the historical context of WICHHC, the previous CHNA, and how Boise County Health Coalition aligns with very similar focuses. See the attached presentation and Call to Action documents attached in the meeting minutes email.

Old Business

Mental Health Fair Booths Brainstorm (Mindy):

No community has solidified dates for the fair yet, but we are getting closer! Most communities are leaning to having it in the fall.

Horseshoe Bend

Laura is working on reaching out to the optimist club to partner with them, and piggy back the health fair onto one of their car shows. Leaning towards the 1st Saturday in September.

Garden Valley

A few options were presented, like piggybacking with the Spring or Fall Festival that the GV Chamber hosts, or potentially doing a smaller scale effort on back to school night. May also consider the open house at the firehouse, and piggybacking off of that event. We just need to pick one, so Mindy will communicate with Stephany, Mary, and Carol to pick a date/event to piggy back on.

Idaho City

Lynsey was going to bring the health fair idea to the admin meeting, but after discussions about what might be best to draw from the whole community, we are leaning towards having the Wellness Event at the community hall on the same weekend as Idaho City Days. Tonya is going to reach out to the

city to see if we can book the community hall for our wellness event. We also talked about hosting BINGO (in conjunction with the PTA maybe) to draw people to the community center.

Some new ideas to consider for all communities:

Try to book:

LifeFlight

Mammography bus (perhaps try to plan date around their visit?)

Loop in the libraries for a booth

Red cross

Pharmacies (Medicap, do they deliver to IC?)

Consider sending out a mailer to promote event

Mindy has updated the brainstorming document, by going through the Chamber websites and adding local businesses to reach out to, as well as organizations that are known to serve Boise County.

Please open the brainstorming document, navigate to your community tab at the bottom, and enter any other thoughts or ideas for booths in there. [Here is the link.](#)

Share partner organizations to connections document (Mindy)-We didn't get to talk about this, but Please enter your organization information into [this document](#) if you have not already. This will help us all stay connected and aware of each of the services our coalition members provide.

New Business: Roundtable Announcements, Needs and Ideas

Carol- Mentioned that the Garden Valley Senior Center is the emergency management center for Garden Valley, designated by the city. So, they are working on getting their facility up to par with emergency management needs including going through the process of fundraising and grant writing for a \$15,000 generator. For anyone willing or interested in submitting a donation, there is a [Donor Box link](#), on the Garden Valley Senior Center website. Please share with anyone interested in helping this cause.

The Garden Valley Senior center is also working on getting a van designated for senior travel needs, and they are in need of interested drivers for the van, and participants interested in riding the van into the valley, or others interested in supporting the van in other capacities. They are hoping to send out a survey to residents, via mailers, after March 10th, to garner enough interest in the van initiative. Please encourage any Garden Valley residents to take the survey, once it is sent out!

Action Items:

- ☐ *Priority* Laura, Lynsey/Tonya, Stephany/Mary: Work with Mindy to solidify date for Wellness Fair
- ☐ 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 yet
- ☐ 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 with Bart about LEAP presentation in HSB

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 25th 10am-11am. In Person Location: Horseshoe Bend (TBD)