



# Boise County Health Coalition

The Boise County Health Coalition (BCHC) was founded in 2021 with the goal of improving the overall health and well-being of the Boise County community. The coalition brings together members from diverse backgrounds and various areas within the county, creating a broad and inclusive network of individuals dedicated to supporting the health needs of all residents. The BCHC meets monthly to collaborate, share resources, and work towards its mission of enhancing both physical and mental health across the region.

**Mission:** To provide physical and mental health resources that support all people and families in the Boise County community.

**Vision:** To build a volunteer network of all community members, young and old, based on healthy relationships, trust, and connection.

Central District Health, the local health department serving Ada, Elmore, Boise, and Valley Counties currently offers backbone support. They employ a coalition coordinator who is responsible for moving the coalition goals forward.

## 2024-2025 BCHC Action Plan Priorities

- 1** Improve access to medical and mental health services for all Boise County residents.
- 2** Improve affordable housing solutions in Boise County.

### Questions?

Contact the Boise County Health Coalition Coordinator:  
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## Major Accomplishment #1 Finalized BCHC Action Plan

- In summer 2023, the CDC CHANGE Tool was implemented to gather insights into the community's most important health needs.
- The coalition coordinator combined tool results with anecdotal feedback gathered from conversations with key community partners.
- A draft action plan was developed based on this combined data to ensure it reflected the community's key health priorities.
- In 2024 the Coalition agreed to move forward with the priorities outlined in the action plan.

### Top Priorities Identified

1. Improving access to medical and mental health services
2. Improving affordable housing solutions



## Major Accomplishment #2 LEAP Connection to Idaho City Leaders

- In July 2024, the Boise County Health Coalition facilitated a meeting between Idaho City leaders and LEAP Housing, a non-profit focused on affordable housing.
  - During the meeting, affordable housing solutions specific to Idaho City were brainstormed.
- With coalition support, LEAP presented to the Idaho City City Council Members in November of 2024.
- Support from City Council was obtained.

### Next Steps

1. Reconvene the housing taskforce and conduct feasibility analyses on potential affordable housing sites.



## Other Notable Accomplishments

In 2024 The Coalition took several steps to improve community health access, including:

- Connecting an EpiPen provider to Horseshoe Bend schools
- Providing Health resources to the Basin District Library Bookmobile in Lowman
- Distributing health resources at the Garden Valley Senior Center

## Looking Ahead: 2025 Priorities

- Establish a relationship with a primary care provider in Idaho City
- Initiate affordable housing discussions in Garden Valley and Horseshoe Bend
- Organize a health resource fair in Garden Valley, Horseshoe Bend, and Idaho City



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