

Health Council Community of Practice (CoP)

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Introductions

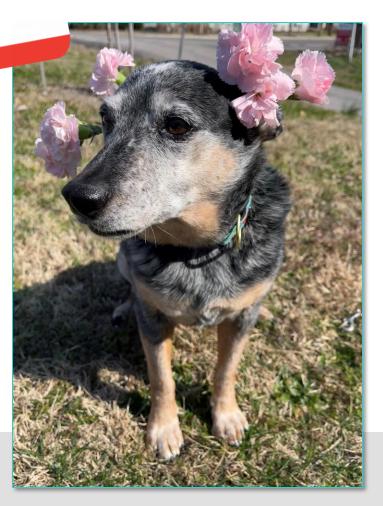
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- Please type in the chat: •
 - Name
 - Your title
 - Organization
 - County
 - Member of Health Council?
 - Yes/No



Tyree Household

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Yes





Agenda

- Purpose
- Spotlight: Trousdale County Health Council
- Breakout groups
 - Networking & Padlet Activity
- Follow-up questions
- Announcements
- Q&A



Purpose of the CoP

- Educate by collecting and sharing information from experts as well as from peers
- Support by organizing peer-to-peer interactions and collaboration
- Cultivate by assisting groups to start and sustain their learning
- Encourage by promoting the work of members through discussion and sharing
- Integrate by encouraging members to use their new knowledge for real change in their own work



Providing Local Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services in a Small, Rural Tennessee County



Today's Objectives

- Assist other rural Tennessee counties / towns in locating mental health services to their area.
- Provide a framework for an organized group, such as a Health Council, to solve a health issue in their community.
- Share relevant information to other Tennessee counties to make creating a positive change easier.
- Encourage and support other groups to work as positive change agents in their communities to improve the health status of residents.



The Situation

Trousdale County is:

- A small, rural county in middle Tennessee
- Population = 10,000 (+2,500 located in largest forprofit prison in TN)
- Severe lack of licensed Doctors
- No public transportation (no taxi, Uber, bus, train)
- Highest % in TN of residents who drive 30 minutes or more to work



Community Health Assessment (CHA)

- Led by the Tennessee Department of Health through County Health Councils
- Helps communities evaluate their health status and determine areas of needed improvement
- Provides input from all sectors of the population
- Develops local plans to concentrate Health Council efforts where greatest needs exist



Trousdale County Assessment Outcomes

As determined by the CHA, the Trousdale County greatest areas of concern / need are:

Obesity
Mental Health and Suicide
Substance Abuse



Health Council Leadership Team Meeting February 2022





Approached the County Mayor with the request to set up the

Mayor's Task Force on Mental Health & Substance Abuse





Called for a meeting with all interested parties both in the county and at the state & regional level



Held on March 31, 2022

- Over 60 persons in attendance.
- Representatives from local hospital, Sheriff's Office, EMTs, Health Care, Pharmacies, Schools, Churches, and
- State-wide groups and agencies that deal with the issues including Mental Health & Substance Abuse groups, District Attorney, DHS, CPS, Child Advocacy, Court System, etc.





Developed committees:

- Treatment
- Marketing & Education
- Faith-Based



Committees-continued

Treatment



Marketing & Education



Committees-continued

Faith-Based



STEP 4

Applied for CARE Grant

- \$80,000
- For Two Years
- Health Council is recipient



STEP 5

Opened Mental Health Facility

- Opening Date: July 2023
- Staffed by Counselor, Case Manager, Certified Nurse Practitioner supplied by Volunteer Behavioral Health
- Open one day a week / more as clients increase
- Receptionist five days per week
- In Building with Doctor's Office & Pharmacy



Services & Partnerships

- Hope Clinic
- Centerstone
- Senior Solutions
- Tennessee Voices
 - School-based Behavior Liasion
 - Mental Health Check-in Program for students



Goals for the Future

- Services five days per week in Hartsville
- Churches functioning as Recovery Communities
- Community training in Suicide Prevention, ACEs, etc.
- Active Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition
- Additional Grants to expand services



What is next for our Trousdale County Health Council?





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Questions?

Networking

- Where are you from? (place, organization)
- For you, what place is paradise?

Activity

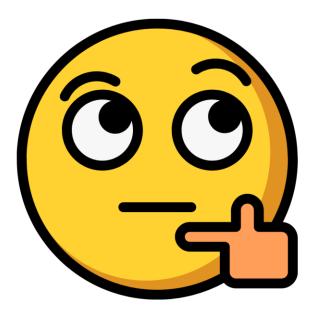
- Identify 2 volunteers:
 - Scribe (with computer), Timekeeper
- Use the Padlet link to answer the prompts





Report-out

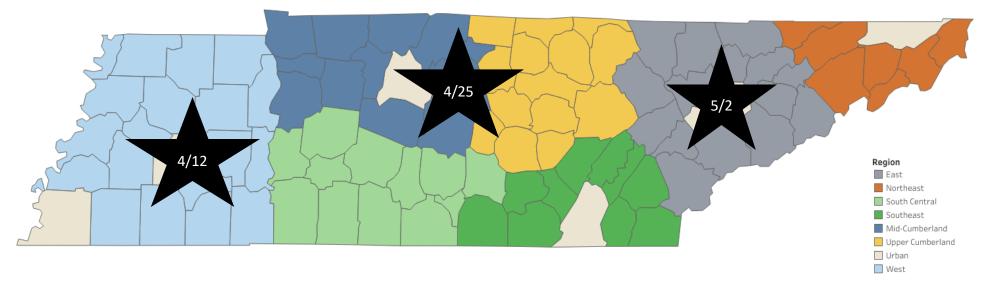
• What are you still **curious** about?





CoP Spring Summits

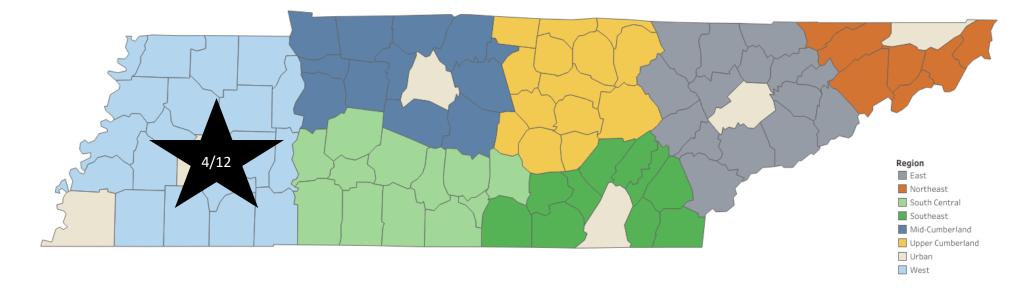
- West: Friday, April 12, in Jackson
- **Middle**: Thursday, April 25, in Lebanon
- East: Thursday, May 2, in Knoxville





CoP Spring Summits

Registration open for West!





Share-out

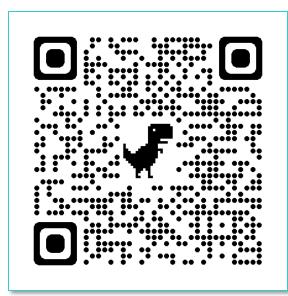
• Share any **events** or **resources** you have for the group.





Communication

- Monthly Health Council newsletter (from OSI)
 - Sign up here:



CoP Contact List
– Sign up here:

Health Council Community of Practice (CoP) Interest Form







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Thank you / Questions

