



HEAL PRIORITY ACTION TEAM

Minutes

Thursday, April 13, 2023

Attendance: Rebecca Crumrine, Shanita Wallace, Amy Fox, Staci Coussens, Kate MacIntyre, Elise Albers, Jordan Meeks, Raquel Herron, Audrey Kamm, Hillary Aggertt, Kayla DeBoer, Michelle Compton, Dylan Henricks, Mike Brooks, Leslie McKnight, Laher Oberoi, Emily Kelly, Kim Litwiller, Seth Noland, **Christian?**

Secretary needed for HEAL; job duties include minutes and website. Kate MacIntyre has volunteered.

The HEAL meeting for May will be held at TCHD rather than U of I Extension due to room availability.

No Data Report.

Complete Streets – Dr. Leslie McKnight

- There will be another event with Mark Fenton on May 15th and 16th. Special guest will be Charles Brown, Champion for transportation and equity in infrastructure design. Information will be emailed to HEAL when available.
- Pop up demonstrations in discussion with City of Pekin and Tremont. Anyone can request a pop-up demonstration. See attached flier.
- Social Determinants of Health Accelerated Plan for Built Environment 61605 Transportation, Community meetings scheduled. Information will be included in the minutes.

Whitehouse Challenge – Amy Fox

The White House Challenge to End Hunger and Build Healthy Communities has released pledge for partners to make commitments in one or more areas across the 5 pillars of the National Strategy. HEAL is encouraging our partners to complete the pledge. <https://health.gov/our-work/nutrition-physical-activity/white-house-conference-hunger-nutrition-and-health/make-commitment>

A community action toolkit can be found here:

https://health.gov/sites/default/files/2023-03/WH_Challenge%20To%20End%20Hunger%20%20Build%20Healthy%20Communities_03.17.2023%20Tagged.pdf

HEAL Team News was approved by HEAL action team. Will be sent to PFHC PIO for approval.

Subcommittee Updates:

- Tri County Hunger Action Walk Education – focusing on awareness and education on nutrition security, hunger, and access. Meeting bi-weekly, next meeting next Wednesday at 9am. Walk/run will be planned in PA workgroup. We will be working on a campaign for resources to be shared on PFHC social media. If you have information to share with the group, email Staci.
- WIC/Farmers Market – Tri County WIC’s continuing consistent messaging and outreach efforts. Tri-County WIC will be collaborating for CHOW grant application to provide better outreach and retention with WIC.
- Farmers Market Toolkit – Shanita inquired about replacing the individual list of markets by county with a QR code for Find A Market – Illinois Farmers Market Association. <https://www.ilfma.org/find-a-market/> A list of local farmer markets can be printed separately. The group agreed. Shanita will proceed with the edits and the Farmers Market toolkit will be sent for printing.
- WIC FM Voucher %s received 2/2/23.
 - State 30.68%
 - Peoria 1002/3150 31.8% Agency Redemption \$5010 produce purchased.
 - Woodford 114/384 issued 29.69% \$570 produce purchased.
 - Tazewell 31.25% \$2475 produce purchased 1584 vouchers redeemed.
- HEAL FSP – ending year 4, received funding for year 5. Mini grants to community – 6 grants for health policies, 10 garden grants. Continue to focus on access, family education and stability, food pantry technical assistance, and health policies. Accessing gaps in food systems and we’re collaborating with Indy Health. Amy encourages partners to view The working Hungry video on indyhunger.org. <https://www.indyhunger.org/workinghungry/>

Workgroups met in breakout sessions. Reports:

- **Healthy Eating –**
- Physical Activity: will be hosting County specific focus groups to identify how best to promote physical activity and capture data within the tri-county. Continuing to discuss the 2023 Hunger Walk.

Announcements

- TPHF Fundraiser - Putt for Health Mini Golf 4/26/23 Magic Dragon Mini-golf, Pekin IL
- Regional Food Council meeting 4/21/23 10-11am at U of I Ext. Peoria – Conversations about USDA funding, presentations, advocacy training planning
- Rebecca will be attending informational sessions about LAPF funding listening session updates and next steps.
- Food Pantry Network – HOI meeting next Wednesday April 19th @ 1:30pm focusing on nutrition education available for pantries.

- St Vincent de Paul opening new food pantry at 706 Court Street in Pekin. They will host an open house Friday 4-6pm.

Visit healthyhoi.org for more information on the HEAL Priority Action Team!