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PARTICIPANTS

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3. Kim Williams, Willard Parks & Rec.
4. Nicole Marks
5. Brad Cooley, Norwalk City School District

AGENDA

- Roll Call
- Updates
- Active Transportation Progress
- 2022 Progress
- 2023 Selected Projects
- Q2 Meeting Follow-Up
- Questions

MEETING MINUTES

The Huron County Creating Healthy Communities Committee met on Wednesday, September 21st, 2022, virtually through Microsoft Teams for the 2022 Quarter 3 Meeting. Grace Habeck began the meeting at 9:30 AM. Grace welcomed the committee members started with roll call, five (5) total in attendance.

UPDATES:

The end of the third quarter is nearing, and the quarter three (3) report is due on October 10th, 2022. There is no September Newsletter as there was a coalition meeting and Grace encouraged coalition members to visit the website for more information to see if the grant would benefit any current projects within the county. Additionally, Grace is now apart of the Safe Routes to School Committee so if any members wish to know more about his program and it's happening, Grace encouraged them to reach out.





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ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN PROGRESS:

During the Q3 Coalition meeting, Grace shared with the attending members the progress that CHC has made in terms of the Active Transportation Plan goals. During the 2022 grant year, Huron County CHC was able to complete one of the short terms (0-5 years) priority projects listed within the Active Transportation Plan. The selected project took place at the intersection of Benedict and Norwood Ave. in Norwalk, Ohio. This project consisted of updating the pedestrian infrastructure in the form of four (4) new solar flashing signs to aide in crossing comfort. The intersection is now adorned with these new signs and awaits new paint for the crosswalk which is to be completed by the City of Norwalk. Additionally, some of the key data tracking points that were identified revolved around 0.66 miles of sidewalk that was constructed, 0 miles of on-street bikeway constructed, 2.05 miles of shared-use path constructed, 0 miles of other improvements constructed, as well as 45 local locations that had spot improvements, and 1 yearly sidewalk replacement program.

2022 PROGRESS:

During the FY22 grant year, Huron County CHC had five (5) new projects (4 Active Living and 1 Healthy Eating) and four (4) sustain objectives from the previous year. Listed below are the current projects and their progress 😊

Bike Share Program - Willard

CHC Funding will be used to purchase:

- o (4) Adult Bikes - **Complete**
- o (2) Adult Electric Bikes - **Complete**
- o (1) Bike-Repair Stand - **Complete**
- o Signage - **Complete**
- o Miscellaneous Supplies - **Complete**

Stoutenburg Basketball Court Revitalization - Norwalk

- Outdated Park in the City of Norwalk
- Park Improvement to promote healthy living and equity
- CHC Funding will be used to purchase:
 - o (2) Basketball Hoops - **Complete**



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o (1) Concrete Pad - **Complete**

o (1) ADA Picnic Table - **Complete**

Pedestrian Infrastructure - Norwalk

- Crossing Improvements to be made at the Intersection of Norwood and Benedict Avenue
- Crossing Improvements to promote healthy living and equity
- CHC Funding will be used to purchase:

o (4) Solar Flashing Signs & Accessories - **Complete**

Fisher-Titus Health Walk - Willard

- The Fisher-Titus Health Walk will be a place to promote healthy living by providing a place to exercise by running, walking, cycling, and rollerblading for all abilities through an ADA standard path. In addition to exercising, users will be educated about healthy living through 10 storyboards that can be changed regularly to focus on current health topics.
- CHC Funding will be used to sponsor a quarter mile of the newly paved walking path - **Complete**

FSG - City of Willard Pool

- Work with the City of Willard Parks and Rec. to create an internal Food Service Guideline (FSG) Policy - **Complete**
- MOU - **Complete**
- Employee/Patron Survey - **Complete**
- Employee/Patron Taste Test - **Complete**
- Implementation - In-Progress
- Evaluation - In-Progress

Sustain Objectives

- Wakeman Community Garden - All HC - **Complete**
 - Signage
 - Community Participation



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- First Planting Season!
- HCPH Community Garden – All HC - **Complete**
 - Spread Fertilizer
 - Planting
- Willard Community Garden – Willard - **Complete**
 - Signage
 - 2022 Planting Season
- Red Cap Park – All HC – **In-Progress**
 - Concrete
 - Install Benches and Bike Racks
- Sharpnack FSG – **In-Progress**
 - Press Release
 - Employee Post-Survey

2023 SELECTED PROJECTS:

For the 2023 grant year, Huron County CHC was approached with five (5) possible projects that need to be completed throughout the county. Listed below are the selected projects and their subsequent details🙏

Park Revitalization – Willard

- CHC was asked to sponsor half the cost of a new slide for the Willard City Park
 - Located between West Laurel St. & Park Dr. in Willard, Ohio
- Current slide is no longer safe or in regulation
- Cost of the sponsorship will be \$15,000

Park Revitalization – All Huron County (Greenwich)

- CHC was asked to sponsor the cost of one (1) new slide, topsoil in order to fix the space between the slides and ground level, and possibly a new ADA-compliant swing set
 - Location at the Greenwich Reservoir on Park Dr.



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- Cost of the sponsorship will be \$15,566.63

Park Revitalization - Norwalk

- CHC was asked to sponsor revitalization improvements for Stokeley Park
 - Located on the corner of Jefferson St. and Northwest St. in Norwalk, Ohio
- CHC sponsorship would include
 - Two (2) Youth Soccer Goals - \$1,000
 - Discover Cave - \$4,500
 - Rock type structure for younger children to climb on or under
 - Gaga Ball Pit - \$3,500
 - One (1) Basketball Hoop with Concrete - \$5,000
 - One (1) Bench - \$1,000
- Cost of the sponsorship will be \$15,000.00

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

- Inaccessibility issues were experienced at the Willard Reservoir regarding a rope in front of the beginning of the path, Grace was asked to look into and follow-up on this issue.
- Huron County Metroparks District possibility?
- Smoke-Free Park Policies

ACTION ITEMS/UPCOMING EVENTS

- Q4 Meeting: Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 9:30 – 11:30 AM

