



Prevention Coalition of Huron County Meeting Minutes September 1, 2026

Present:

- **In Person:** Bethany Chime, Clear Minds Coaching & Counseling; Paige Snyder, Huron County Public Health; Grace Habeck, Huron County Public Health; Nicole Marks, Huron County Public Health; Dave Ditz, Huron County Sheriff's Office; Alexis Fleming, Firelands Counseling and Recovery Services; Melissa Whiteman, Love Grows Love; Krista Snyder, Boys and Girls Club Norwalk; Michelle Aplin, Willard City Schools; Keith Mora, Norwalk City Schools; Cheryl Englehart, Norwalk City Schools
- **Microsoft Teams:** Breanna Mantz, Goodwill Industries; Renee Leber, The Caring Collective; Niki Cross, Huron County Family and Children First Council; Caryn Wagner, Miriam House; Arika Speicher, EHOVE; Fallon Winterstein, Lets Get Real

Grant Updates:

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH)'s Youth Suicide Prevention (YS) Grant:

- The selected "Tier 1" activity is reducing access to lethal means. HCPH distributed 205 gun safes at the Huron County Fair.
- The selected "Tier 2" activity is Counseling on Access to Lethal Means (CALM) training. HCPH has reached out to EHOVE to gauge their interest in CALM Conversations being implemented in their High School Medical Careers program.
- The selected "Tier 3" activity is the SOS (Signs of Suicide) Program. Paige is meeting with Monroeville schools on 9/8/26 to discuss implementation of SOS during the 26/27 school year.

Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) Grant:

- Paige shared the results of the Environmental Scans with the group.
- Dave Ditz shared that the Sheriff's office plans to complete compliance checks before the end of the month. Staff turnover has prevented them from getting them complete sooner.
- Paige will reach out to Sandusky County regarding the SOS carryover funds that they are buying NaloxBoxes with and will update those that requested NaloxBoxes.

The Drug Free Communities (DFC) Grant:

- No updates for this grant at this time.

North Central Behavioral Health Board Grants:

- HPCH's lawyer is currently reviewing the contract for these funds. Once these funds are received by HCPH, Paige will schedule a speaker for the coalition.

General Prevention Updates:

- Those interested in receiving prevention credentials can reach out to Paige and she will connect you with Jamie Belcher from Sandusky County. Prevention credits and social work credits cannot be earned simultaneously. *Link for more information:* [Prevention / Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board](#).
- Goodwill
 - The Reentry Coalition meeting is on September 8, 2026 at 10:00am at Huron County Job and Family Services.
 - Goodwill is working on merging the Erie County and Huron County housing coalitions into 1 coalition. They are meeting on October 28, 2026 at 10:00am. The location is to be determined.
 - VOA group homes did close as of August 15, 2026.
 - Contact Breanna with questions or to attend her coalition meetings. bmantz@goodwillsandusky.org
- ARISE
 - In the process of being transferred to HCPH due to staffing changes at Family and Children First Council.
 - Paige shared there is no current official plan for how ARISE will look moving forward but will update the group once that plan is finalized.
- Find Your Anchor (FYA)
 - Dave Ditz, Michelle Aplin, and Krista Snyder assisted in assembling 400 FYA boxes.
 - Find Your Anchor did not send enough material to complete all 500 boxes. Once that material is received, Paige will schedule another assembly event.
 - Boys and Girls Club and Willard City Schools received their boxes during the meeting.
 - Paige has delivered or will deliver boxes this week and next to those that requested boxes.
- Overdose Awareness Day
 - There were around 50-75 people in attendance.
 - Agencies that participated were: Boys and Girls Club, Clear Minds Counseling and Coaching, Firelands Counseling, MedMark, Norwalk Police Department, Silence the Stigma, Lets Get Real, and Huron County Public Health.
- Detera
 - Please reach out to Paige if you or your agency needs Detera bags. HCPH has a few hundred of each size of bag available.
- Josh Hess 5K
 - Jenny Hess, Josh's mother, reached out to Paige to inquire about the coalition having a table at her event to honor Josh. Josh died by suicide and his mother hosts a memorial 5K yearly as well as a golf outing.
 - Paige is putting together 125 bags for the golf outing.
 - Please contact Jenny if you would like to represent the coalition at the 5K. redneckwife3@yahoo.com HCPH is not available to attend this event on Sunday October 11, 2026.
 - ***See attached flyer for the event.***

Upcoming Events/Trainings/Reminders:

- Josh Hess 5K: October 11, 2026 @ 1:00pm at New London Recreation Park

- Lakeside Employee Health Fair: October 13, 2026 @ 5:30am-11:00am & 3:00pm-7:00pm, Lakeside Book Company **(Day 1)**
- Lakeside Employee Health Fair: October 13, 2026 @ 5:30am-11:00am, Lakeside Book Company **(Day 2)**
- Coalition Meeting: October 6, 2026 @ 10:00am, Huron County Public Health, Conference Room 1