



Meeting Summary
Tuesday, August 27th 2024, 2-3pm
Lynette Woodard Recreation Center

Our mission: Promote physical activity and good nutrition for every generation living in the greater Wichita area through people, programs, and policies.

1. Coalition Updates

- a. September 24th celebration - The September meeting time has changed to 3:30pm for a free, fun, come-&-go anniversary celebration at OJ Watson Park Season's Venue. Bring a friend.
- b. Walktober - community partners are working on this annual initiative. More information coming soon.
- c. Kansas Local Food Summit (23 attending) on 8/28 and Kansas Food Action Network annual convening on 8/29

2. Host Partner Spotlight: Angela Buckner, Lynette Woodard Recreation Center

- a. The rec center received a grant in 2021/2022 to replace the flooring and boasts the best basketball court in the city!
- b. Atwater Resource Center (next building) has a boxing ring
- c. This facility is the only rec center that programs for ages 1 & 2
- d. The City of Wichita Park & Recreation department encourages kids to join the [City Crew](#).

3. Networking/Good News/Upcoming Activities/Events

- a. Park and Rec lawn game kiosks at Central Riverside Park and OJ Watson Park
- b. The Advanced Learning Library hosted a mindful eating class on 9/5
- c. The YMCA's free cancer survivor exercise and support group, Livestrong, has 40 new survivors starting classes.
- d. Wendy James will be presenting at the American Public Health conference in Minnesota on their DPP class that is the #1 in Kansas 94% completion rate.
- e. Bike Walk Wichita is hosting a member event on 9/17 to welcome people who haven't been to the new headquarters. 808 bikes have been given away to children since January 1, 2024 through the Recycle Shop, not counting the Earn a Bike program bikes.
- f. Attendees were encouraged to sign up for the annual Bike/Ped count the week of 9/9
- g. Contact Patty for high school and middle school volunteer connections
- h. ICT Food Rescue continues to operate out of Woodland United Methodist Church. Check out their \$2 Tuesday Facebook donation program.
- i. Great Plains Diabetes is hosting Live Well with Diabetes November 2nd including free lab tests
- j. 10 libraries are participating in the Libraries with Heart program checking out self monitoring blood pressure cuffs. KSRE wants to pilot a 4-week self monitoring BP program at a worksite.
- k. Did you know Wichita Public Libraries check out "Experience Passes" for free visits to museums with 11 area partners?

4. Why We Do What We Do

- a. KanCare Expansion: Just the Facts handout
- b. Medicaid Expansion handout

5. Closing, Call to Action & Completely Random Coalition Facts

- a. Call to action - Network, share what you learned, invite someone to the 20th celebration
- b. Random fact: The WWC Save the Date was sent on 8/19/24 to 508 emails Number of responses = 1. Feel free to occasionally respond!

6. Mini Ninja Warrior Course demo and optional participation

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 24th 3:30-5:30 pm, final park spotlight & 20th anniversary celebration: Season's Venue, OJ Watson Park

