

Meeting Agenda Tuesday, March 22nd 2022, 1:00 pm Salvation Army, 350 N. Market St.

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

1. Welcome - The 22 attendees celebrated National Nutrition Month with healthy snacks provided by the Salvation Army.

2. Coalition Updates

- a. May is Bike Month look for details on the Bike Month ICT <u>facebook</u> page, <u>website</u>, and April HWC newsletter. If you want to join us at a planning meeting on 4/8 at noon on zoom, email Shelley. The HWC is planning to host a month-long incentive program.
- b. Reminders & stand up/sit down game:
 - i. Do you follow/engage with the Coalition on Facebook?
 - ii. Do you read/provide content for the monthly newsletter?
 - iii. Have you attended the Working Well Conference? Plan to attend 8/23/22.
 - iv. Are you aware that the Food System Master Plan passed at the City & County and we are working on having a publicly appointed Food Council?

3. Education Session - highlights from the Salvation Army

- a. 28 bed homeless shelter in the Downtown Koch Center for women and families, provides three meals a day plus case management
- b. 6 transitional housing apartments in the Downtown Koch Center 6-8 month stay rent free
- c. Satellite locations: Citadel Community Center, West Orchard Community Center
- d. NEW! Mobile Food Pantry "Canteen" 1st three weeks served 305 families (1,073 individuals) to volunteer, contact <u>Brenda</u>
- e. They desire to get involved and collaborate in the community, examples include Polar Plunge with Special Olympics and Easter Egg Hunt
- f. Future plans include renovating the second floor of Downtown Koch Center for a recovery home

4. Networking/Good News/Upcoming Activities/Events

- a. Child Start is hosting Camp GWC conference April 1 & 2 7.5 hours inservice credits for teachers, directors. Also participating in a 6 week wellness program through UCLA.
- b. Sunflower Health Plan is offering free dental services on 4/30 including blood pressure checks and vaccinations. Sunflower Days at the Farmer's Market are offered across Kansas and members get a \$10 voucher.
- c. The American Red Cross offers free Fire Safety Preparedness presentations in the community. Also looking for volunteers for an event on 5/21 to install 316 smoke detectors. Contact <u>Sara</u>.
- d. The Kansas Food Bank promoted the Progressive Church food pantry and encouraged attendees to volunteer by calling Melissa at 265-3663
- e. Senior Services is hosting a 50+ Pickleball Tournament fundraising event. Also received a grant from PetSmart to provide a pet food service to homebound seniors, looking to offer vet services and dog grooming in the future.
- f. The Greater Wichita YMCA's free exercise program for cancer survivors, Livestrong, is having a survivor retreat on 5/2.
- g. Natural Grocers east & west locations offer free health coaching in the store or virtually. They also have a variety of presentations for groups. Contact Aubrey
- h. <u>Kansas Legal Services</u> A non-profit law firm and community education organization helping low and moderate income people in Kansas
- i. Goodwill Industries is hosting a Blue Jeans Bingo fundraiser on April 22nd.

5. Closing

a. Thank you for attending! Join us at the next meeting **4.26.22 @ Exploration Place**! Call to action: share what you learned today!