



Meeting Summary
Tuesday, June 24th 2025, 2-3pm
Living Waters Ministries

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. Did you receive the new newsletter on Monday the 16th? If not, check your spam and move! Gmail is the worst offender! Community Events are now posted on the website. There are SO many things missing. Send me your events.
- b. Community Meeting Updates
 - i. Health Alliance updates
 1. Fall Prevention Coalition - fallpc.org, holistic, food insecurity. How can we intervene before the fall? 26% of calls to the Derby Fire Dept + 60 walk-ins at Rock Regional. Everyone has a fall story.
 2. www.healthict.org/holistic-care-providers-resources & www.findhelp.org
 3. Reminder - SCHD community health events calendar
 - ii. Bank On ICT
 1. 1 in 4 Americans has a justice-impacted background, in 2023, almost 9,000 were in Kansas Correctional Facilities. Of those currently incarcerated, 94-96% will return to the community, many seeking to rebuild their lives.
 - a. WSU Tech has a program called Shock the System that is designed specifically to support students who are currently incarcerated, previously incarcerated, or have other justice-impacted backgrounds. Program supports include: bus/transportation support, financial wellness training, food pantry access and more.
 - b. WSU Tech also offers a Reentry Simulation - a practical, immersive experience of challenges faced by formerly incarcerated individuals reentering the community. Through this eye-opening experience participants navigate the complex barriers to employment, financial stability, housing, and professional reintegration, and gain valuable insights for creating supportive pathways. September 9th is the next time this is offered. They can also do this simulation at a worksite

2. Networking/Good News/Upcoming Activities/Events

- a. Robin promoted the Master Gardener Series at the Walters Branch Library
- b. Jennifer is with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and places 125 volunteers age 55+
- c. David conducts "Saging Seminars" discussing the mental state of aging
- d. Adriana with DCF announced the Community Baby Shower on 7/16
- e. Jessica with Kansas Rides announced the start of Mulvane Community Active Transportation
- f. Hillary announced the Community Behavioral Health Workers course
- g. Wendy & Danielle have started A Matter of Balance at Wichita Family Medicine Specialists
- h. Amber announced that the Riordan Clinic is celebrating 50 years in November and the Wichita Health Fest on 7/19
- i. Lianna announced that Cooking Matters is partnering with Salud + Bienestar in September
- j. Airele promoted the Back to School drive at Hunter Health
- k. Joanna reported that five stores are coming online for the Healthy Corner Store Initiative.

3. Why We Do What We Do, Call to Action & Completely Random Coalition Facts

- a. WWDWWD - June is Men's Health Month. It brings attention to health issues that disproportionately affect men, such as heart disease, prostate cancer, and mental health challenges. Encourages men to get regular checkups and screenings to identify potential health problems early, when they are often more treatable. Fatherhood is crucial for both the well-being of fathers and the healthy development of children. Involved fathers can experience improved mental and physical health, increased happiness, and greater life satisfaction, while children with engaged fathers tend to have better social, emotional, and academic outcomes. Who is attending the SCHED Fatherhood Summit?
- b. Call to action - network and SHARE what you learned
- c. Completely Random Coalition Fact: Partner email sent to 474, opened by 203, unique clicks on the May meeting minutes = 99 (I know who you are) Ariele Campbell big winner 6 clicks and 12 opens. 😊
- d. Closing - next meeting = Transit Ride

4. Education: Jay Hawes, Executive Director, Living Waters Ministries

- a. Food pantry open Wednesdays from 1-3pm, served 571 families last month through a Client Choice model.
- b. The group brainstormed who we know that Jay needs to know.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, July 22d 2pm
Wichita Transit Field Trip**



Mental Health Resources

- For mental health crisis and case management: COMCARE: (316) 660-7500
- Para ayuda inmediata llame al: 1-833-441-2240
- NAMI Wichita: National Alliance on Mental Illness (316) 686-1373, info@namiwichita.org
- MHA: Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas: 316-685-1821
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: Call or text 988 for immediate support.