

LOMPOC VALLEY COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT COALITION

Minutes for April 22, 2010



Present: Kathy Bertelsen, LUSD Food Service; Don Deming, Lompoc Police Department; Conrad Gonzales, Lompoc Boys & Girls Club; Georgene Lowe, Health Linkages Program; Michelle MacKinnon, LUSD Food Service; Jason Reynolds, Lompoc Chamber of Commerce/State Farm; Dulcie Sinn, LHCDG Garden Project

Staff: Judy Taggart, LVCHO

1. Judy Taggart reported on project updates:
 - a. The 2010 Lompoc Valley Community Health Summit was held March 25, 2010 from 8:00am to 12:00pm at the Lompoc Veteran's Memorial Building. The presentations are available to download at www.healthylompoc.lvcho.org. Seventy five percent of participants surveyed reported learning something new about community health; 85.7% of participants reported they left the event with a better understanding of how local policies and the environment impact health.
 - b. The City of Lompoc General Plan is currently under review and the coalition has been asked to review the first three elements of the plan. This is an opportunity to ensure that the language used in the plan reflects community health as a priority - as a driver in future policies. ***Any coalition member interested in reviewing one or all of the three elements (Land Use Element, Circulation Element, and Housing Element) should contact Judy Taggart immediately.*** Revisions by coalition members must be in to Judy Taggart no later than May 7, 2010 so that they may be consolidated and submitted to the Planning Commission by May 15, 2010 along with our community assessment reports. The three elements may be downloaded from the City of Lompoc website: <http://www.cityoflompoc.com/comdev/GeneralPlan.htm>
 - c. Photovoice is a participatory research method where people take a series of photos to tell their story. As part of our California Endowment grant we will be recruiting young people from the community to take photos and tell their stories as they relate to community health. The photos will be made into slide presentations that may be utilized at various functions throughout the community. Coalition members interested in participating should contact Judy Taggart. Digital cameras and instructions will be provided.
 - d. The Summer Food Service Program will kick off on June 14, 2010. This will be the third year that the program will be offered in Lompoc. Kathy Bertelsen and her staff at the Lompoc Unified School District will be administering the program and once again provide free lunch Monday through Friday to any child 18 years old or younger. An afternoon snack will also be available at several sites. The four sites this year are:
 - i. Lompoc Boys & Girl Club – 1025 W. Ocean Ave.
 - ii. Lompoc Family YMCA/Y-Camp @ Clarence Ruth Elementary – 501 North W Street
 - iii. Anderson Recreation Center – 125 W. Walnut Street
 - iv. LUSD Central Kitchen – 600 E. Central Ave.
Please see flyer for additional information and serving times.
 - e. The proposed Family Fun Bike Ride to encourage fun and active family time is slated to begin on the first night of the Lompoc Olde Town Market and continue each Friday thereafter.
 - i. For liability reasons this event will not be hosted by any single organization.
 - ii. The start/finish of the ride will be the Lompoc Farmer's Market. The total ride will be approximately 5 miles, but riders may opt to do only part of the loop (Hapgood – Miguelito - Farmer's Market). More details as they become available.

2. New and Upcoming Projects presented:
 - a. The new and existing coalition members who comprise the Pioneering Healthy Communities (PHC) team have opted to focus on how the school district can be made a healthier place from Lompoc children. These coalition members will be meeting on April 29, 2010 to identify the key issues that should be assessed; topic areas will be discussed at the next coalition meeting. The working group for the school assessments will be headed up by PHC Co-coach Jody Taylor.
3. Announcements:
 - a. Georgene Lowe with the Health Linkages Program announced the 2010 **Children's Oral Health Summit** will be held on Friday **June 25, 2010** in Buellton, CA from 9:00am to 3:00pm. This event is provided by the Santa Barbara County Children's Oral Health Collaborative. For more information contact Suzanne McDonald, Health Linkages – 805-964-4710 ext. 4453 or healthlinkages@sbceo.org
 - b. **The 1st Annual Boat Float** is presented by the Lompoc Parks, Recreation and Urban Forestry Department. It will be held at the beautiful Lompoc Aquatics Center on **May 15, 2010**. This is a great, fun opportunity for the whole family to come together and have a great time.
 - c. **LVCHO has moved to a new office** located at 1593 E. Chestnut. Information on our open house planned for May will be announced shortly. Healthy Lompoc Coalition meetings will continue to be held in the West Conference Room until further notice.
4. Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be Thursday May 27, 2010 at 12:00pm in the West Conference Room.