**Vermillion – Parke Health Coalition**

**Zoom Meeting – October 1, 2020 – 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.**

**Attended:** Danny Wayne Beemer, Mindy Duckett, Allison Finzel, Sylvia Maixner, Larry Addison, Devan Busenbark, Karen Hinshaw, Kris Aninger, Kathy Clifford, Becky Myers, Lori Bouslog, Gail Wright

Lori Bouslog opened the meeting.

Introductions were completed and agenda with vision, mission, and goals shared.

Notes from the last meeting attached to email. There were no corrections or additions.

Lori asked to consider others that should be included and email her. She will continue to be invite to attend.

**NEXT STEPS FOR COALTION –** Lori Bouslog

* Lori initiated question and asked Karen Hinshaw to give update on Listening Sessions from Connections in Health
* Karen listed information from Jamboards noting: Lack of Programs for Young Kids Exposed to Careers, Community Separation and how to connect; Health Care Access increased for “working poor” (130-200 percent poverty level); Increase Awareness of services available
* Lori opened discussion on “Where Do you Want to See Coalition Go?” – What to work on?
* Allison agreed she wants to find a project and accomplish something in the group
* Larry stated a firm idea of what we have, what services do we have available in Vermillion County, Access to Care – Information Sheet – Facebook – resources
* Allison shared the Facebook page for Vigo Co. initiated at start of COVID. People shared to help each other – Discussion on who housed / monitored.
* Larry noted free clothes for people who were in fire and other needed items – flyers
* Danny Wayne asked who monitored 411 Vermillion
* Kris Aninger stated on substance use Google maps UWWV – there are resources by county – could use as a resource
* Lori noted difficult to compile resources for SFP
* Sylvia stated she is working on similar resource for Madison Co. – How do Communicate if on website – who is in charge – points of contact (sustainable) – were all questions
* Karen stated Amy Gilbert from FSSA has been working on Indiana 21 after moved to FSSA. Indiana Community Connect is a breakout session later today at conference – Grant County just started a similar resource website
* Allison noted Vigo Co. mutual aid
* Danny stated grants available – tech grant – due 10/23 – sent to Lori – but noted internet access is needed to use
* Lori noted need to look and see how comprehensive resources mentioned and challenges presented
* Becky and Lori agreed hard to keep up-to-date information just on Vermillion Co. food pantries

**WORKGROUPS –** Lori Bouslog

* Lori initiated discussion
* Allison and Mindy are interested in any groups working on Food Insecurity.
* Lori stated she thought we might wait for CADI and Connections in Health report before forming groups. She thanked Karen, CADI and Connections in Health.
* She noted that the health coalition website link is on the Purdue Extension Vermillion Co. website

**ORGANIZATION SHARE:** Everyone

* Becky at VPCHC – they have a new website at <https://www.valleyprohealth.org>
* Danny asked about resources for Medicare from Valley Professionals – He stated Will Center will be celebrating National White Cane Day – There will be an audible crossing added to 7th & Wabash – a proclamation from Mayor will be presented that day
* Mindy stated Parke County food distribution was success – other than we ran out – served 850 households – people waited for hours –
* She further noted work as communities – what causes poverty – Energy Assistance sign up (can be challenging) as well as SNAP signup – training on how to find pay stubs – and taxes, etc.
* Allison stated 2000 boxes will be distributed in Vigo Co. – not sure on Vermillion Co.
* CODA contact information – Sarai Baine – 1\_800\_566\_CODA – 765-505-3803 – sbain@codaterrehaute.org
* SFP in Rockville starts on October 20th

Lori Bouslog stated the next meeting will be on

**NOVEMBER 5TH AT 10 AM**