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TC3 Coalition History

The conversation about starting a community coalition in Tishomingo County began in February, 2019. By March there was a corporation. In May the 501©(3) was approved and June was the first Board meeting. Since that time there have had seven Coalition meetings including one in Belmont. A list of assets and needs in the county was completed at the initial meetings. One major need was prioritized:

a safe house for those leaving jail or wanting an alcohol/drug free place to stay as they begin to change their lives.

The Coalition and Families First sponsored the first Party in the Park in July. Also the Coalition sponsored two Addiction Seminars. Kim Benefield shared about the brain and its response to addictive behaviors. She shared valuable information

about codependency and how to parent an adult child in addiction.

What is a coalition?

The definition of coalition is an alliance of distinct parties, persons, or states for joint action.

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”

Margaret Mead

Safe Haven Ribbon Cutting

On January 31, 2020 Tishomingo County Community Coalition (TC3) had an Open House and Ribbon cutting for the Coalition offices and Safe Haven. Over 60 people packed the site to see the remodeled offices and bedrooms. Safe Haven provides temporary housing for men and women in

transition but desiring to change their lives. In the month of January, 99 nights of housing were provided. Currently there are four residents aged 19 to 42. For more information call Kathy at (228)217-4220.





New Logo

At Open House the Coalition unveiled its new logo. It was designed by Adrian Golden, currently a resident at the men's Bridge House. It embodies the vision of the Coalition with many hands and hearts combined to fulfill the mission. The logo contains the names of all people, churches, agencies and families who were so instrumental in the completion of Safe Haven and the Coalition offices. The hearts included all Board mem-

bers (listed on page one), Agape Generation, The Bridge at Burnsville, David Oaks, Jason and Leanne Roberts, Pastor and Mrs. Rich, Corey Summers, James Wells, Michael Meeks, Linda Downs, The Bridge House for Women, Families First, John Gray, Barny Green, Modern Woodmen of America, Debbie Johnson, Hayley and Hayven Woodruff, Logan Johnson, Tishomingo County Board of Supervisors, New Begin-

ning Fellowship, Sheriff Daugherty, Mattie Duncan, Billy & Tammy Glover, Amy Glover, Al Harris, Curtis Miles, Patsy Douglas, Dottie Reed, Dianne Rodgers, Lowe's, Kenneth Woodruff and Lonnie Johnson.

Most of the physical labor was done by Tony Blakney, Rusty Johnson and Shane Woodruff. They spent over 200 hours making our office and Safe Haven the beautiful place it is today.



New Beginning Fellowship

The Coalition and Safe Haven staff and residents were invited to share their vision and mission with New Beginning Fellowship on January 19, 2020. Brother Jimmy and Kathy Daniel were so welcoming. We enjoyed the music and meeting such kind people. Adrienne, a resident at Safe Haven for a few weeks, shared how she had found a family to call her own since arriving in Burnsville.

She thought she was just getting a place to stay for the short term but had found so much more. At the end of the service the congregation was given the chance to contribute to the mission of Safe Haven. Their generosity was overwhelming. If you are interested in having us speak to your church or social group, you may arrange that with Kathy Best at 228-217-4220.

“
Alone we do so little: together we can do so much.”

Helen Keller