



Tuesday, October 17, 2023
11:00am-12:00pm
Via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/96984991421>

MEETING MINUTES

1. **Attendance:** Deb Beckmann, Ken Sterner, Heather Creasy, Deb Loddeke, Cara Loddeke, Nellie Baity, Naomi Fulton, Dustin Kibler, Mandy Ocepek, Mandy Hagen, Tiesha Matthews, Tisha Lancaster.
2. **Speaker:** Ken Sterner, sharing information on crime statistics in Clinton County as related to substance, alcohol, and mental health arrests/calls. Attached are the slides from his presentation. His information is taken from the Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting Program. He has updated the slides to reflect only departments in Clinton County (so the numbers are lower than I presented) as he had a few in our presentation that were not Clinton County departments. There may be more situations in Clinton County, but they may not be reported to this system, or they are with law enforcement who work multiple counties (this could cause an inflation of numbers if searching that agency for their numbers). He also updated the information to include September data and added the ethnicity that was reported for 2022 and 2023.
3. **Sub Committee Reports:** (we need people to serve on committees and help with our work!!)
 - A. **Education & Prevention-** Heather Creasy-Chairperson:
 - Red Ribbon Week 2023 – theme “Be Kind to Your Mind. Live Drug Free.™”. All bracelets, weekly plan and announcement scripts have been sent to all Clinton County Schools.
 - TAC had an information booth at the Swing for Sydney Foundation Annual Walk on 10/6. Deb spoke about our coalition’s work and promoted the Illinois Youth Survey.
 - All Clinton County Schools have been emailed and a personal letter dropped off regarding signing up for the Illinois Youth Survey. Deb also spoke to a group of mental health providers about the IYS and some had contacts in local schools and would reach out to Supt’s/Principals about this. As of today we have 3 schools signed up: Bartelso, Willow Grove, and Carlyle H.S. This is not enough to get a good county-wide picture of our youth. We need atleast 2 more high schools and many more grade schools. Group talked about attending local school board meetings to explain this.
 - Deb will do a short education with ER nursing staff on 10/24 at 5pm on Narcan and our Rescue Kit use. This is required before the hospital will stock and hand out our Rescue Kits.
 - Drug Take Back Day 10/28/23: press releases have gone out promoting this day.
 - B. **Law Enforcement-** Ken Sterner with the Illinois National Guard Counter Drug Task Force will now lead this committee and provide law enforcement statistics and trends with us. Jon LeCroy is unable to attend our meetings due to work commitments. Deb shared a new “Response to Homelessness Guide” by the Illinois State Police that aims to provide training and resources to law enforcement when faced with these situations. Copy attached.
 - C. **Treatment & Recovery-** Cara Loddeke/Alicia Moesner– Co-Chairpersons:
 - PLE engagement: have engaged new PLE’s to attend meetings and help with events.
 - TASC-Permanent Supportive Housing Program: flyer attached. Will invite them to speak at our November or future meeting.
 - Cara spoke at a Central H.S. class this month about SUD and recovery.
 - Committee wants to each out to school nurses/offices again about having Narcan on hand in their buildings.
 - D. **Family Support-**Craig Loddeke-Chairperson:
 - Facebook Page - "Family, Friends and Addicts Stronger Together".
 - PAL Group meeting weekly via Zoom on Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm. Continue to have 6 or 7 attendees.
 - Family Support Network update unavailable as they had no meeting this month.

E. Finance- Deb Loddeke-Chairperson:

- Budget update: \$1550 left in our checking account after our Celebrate Life event.
- Communities Talk Stipend: There was a slight snafu with where these funds went with Chestnut but this has been resolved and the two newspaper ad payments affected have been made. We can apply for this again next January.

F. Marketing – Craig Loddeke-Chairperson:

- Celebrate Life event wrap-up; very pleased with the event. Possible date for next year is September 22nd. We estimate having 400 people come through during the event. Suggestions for next year: make the event shorter (3-4 hours); put the Hidden In Plain Sight room in a better location--they couldn't be seen well as they were way back from the food trucks; come up with a shift schedule for the bounce house workers so we are covered throughout the whole afternoon; move more picnic tables in front of the band stage.
- Facebook presence increasing steadily. Boosting event posts have helped with this.

	FB Page	4/27/2022		5/13/2022		9/13/2022		12/19/2022		5/11/2023		8/2/2023		10/13/2023	
Recovery Group Name:	Create Date	Likes	Follow	Likes	Follow	Likes	Follow	Likes	Follow	Likes	Follow	Likes	Follow	Likes	Follows
Take Action Coalition of Clinton County ROSC	3/25/19	362	388	369	401	390	430	401	444	414	464	454	513	540	630

- Instagram-trying to figure out how to post; one reel had 398 views. Follow us: take-action-coalition

4. **Gap Analysis:** Continue to report the same gaps. No one identified anyone in immediate need.

5. **Successes for the month?** Celebrate Life Event!!

Challenges for the month? Talking to schools about having Narcan on hand.

6. **Additional Information/Announcements:** Anyone else have anything to share?

- Nellie Baity reported she will be starting an Emotions Anonymous support group in Clinton County in ~January (Tuesdays, 6pm, Breese Activity Center). She is working on getting materials together and possibly fundraising to offset supply costs. She completed the training to be a facilitator. People join EA in order to help themselves better understand their emotions and lead a more manageable life by following the EA program and using the EA materials. You can find more information about this 12-step group here: <https://emotionsanonymous.org/>
- Nellie Baity is also attending a local Trunk or Treat and asked for TAC leaflets she could hand out. Deb said she can get her some leaflets and TAC squeeze balls left over from the CL event.

**The next meeting will be held in person/hybrid via Zoom on: November 21, 2023
Breese Activity Center, 419 S. Clinton, Breese, IL**

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[Family Support Network Call-line #314-669-1184](tel:314-669-1184)

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Vision: Reduce the impact and stigma of substance use among residents of Clinton County.

Mission: Cohesive partners developing comprehensive strategies involving prevention, education, spirituality, law enforcement, treatment, support, and other recovery services.