



TAC Take Action Coalition Meeting Minutes April 28th, 2026

Attendance: Sheridan Jordan (facilitator), Mark Knott, Katie Wilson, Conswala Jones, Angella Holloway, Mandy Ocepek, Cheyney Evans, Beverly Holland, Jessica Palazollo, Alex Schneider, Michaela Wharton, Heather Creasy, Ty Bechel

Presentation: *Ty Bechel- Bechel & Associates*; presented Power Point on Sustainability in Recovery-Led Programs and Non-Profit organizations. Discussed ways of helping non-profits get started on funding, building teams and something that outlives you! Discussed the 5-pillares on how to start; Financial, Operational, People, Community, and Mission. Council asked questions re: community support and how Ty's consultation would benefit areas needing additional funding to increase resources/community engagement. Ty provided his contact information for follow-up.

Review/Discussion Items: The council discussed the need for prize donations for trivia night and how to retain sponsors for events. No ideas were brought forth. TAC is gearing up for Mental Health Month, Sheridan plans on doing some sort of advertising locally with SAMHSA messaging.

Stigma reduction work group:

Zoom Only, Second Thursday of the month at 3:30pm

CAP Month: Discussed the outcome of the CAP Walk on April 10th, the volunteers that helped disseminate the ribbons around Carlyle. Discussed that Birth to Five will be helping with planning next year.

Summer event: Trivia Night

June 19th at the VFW Hall in Carlyle from 6-8 pm

Special host: Cry Baby Trivia Company

Illinois Recovery Center will be sponsoring the event with food/drink donations!

Flyer is finalized.

Council Sharing: No additional announcements from any members.

Meeting adjourned.

THANK YOU to everyone who attended and shared.

Our Next meeting will be May 19th, 2026.

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TAC Mission:

Cohesive partners developing comprehensive strategies involving
education & prevention, law enforcement, family support,
treatment and recovery services.

TAC Vision:

Reduce the impact and stigma of substance use and mental
health among the residents of Canton County.