

Linn Together Meeting Minutes		
September 18, 2024	12:00 – 1:00 PM	In person at Linn County Armory Building, Albany, OR and virtual
Type of meeting	General meeting	
Facilitator	Danette Killinger	
Note taker	Sarah Daniels	
Attendees	Ben Atchley, Brandi Blethen, Sarah Daniels, Angie Jansen, Mike Johnson, Rachel Johnson, Carter Katchel, Danette Killinger, Ashley LeFever, Dar Merrill, Rose Reader, Shannon Snair, Aliza Tuttle, Jeannie Wooten	
Linn Together Updates & Approval of Minutes		
Linn Together meeting minutes from August 21, 2024 were approved.		
Linn Together Community Outreach		
Presenter	Sarah	
Discussion	<p>Recent community outreach events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Middle School Registrations (August 13-22):</i> Linn Together hosted informational tables at Calapooia Middle School, Memorial Middle School, North Albany Middle School & Scio Middle School. In addition, prevention materials were provided for distribution at registrations at Central Linn Jr/Sr High, Harrisburg Middle School, and Santiam Jr/St High. <p>Results: We had contact with approximately 350 adults and 320 teens. Parent contacts were less than in previous years, but still great outreach with our target audience. The events also provide an opportunity for valuable connections with school staff. We also received 147 new email newsletter sign-ups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Sweet Home Back-to-School Night (August 28):</i> Sarah hosted a table at the Sweet Home Back-to-school event for the 2nd year. It is a well-attended event for Sweet Home students and families. She talked to over 60 adults and 50 teens. <p>Upcoming Community Outreach Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, September 21 – Community Walk for Suicide Prevention Awareness at Ralston Park in Lebanon, 9:00 am 	

	<p>to noon. Sarah will be hosting our Linn Together table and would welcome a volunteer to help all or part of the morning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, September 25 – LBCC Welcome Day, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Julie and Angie will be hosting a Linn Together table at the event. • Oct 5, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm – Scio Family Cares Day, Includes a hotdog BBQ, cake walk and other family activities.
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Linn Together Bottle Tagging Campaign

Presenter	Sarah
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Discussion	<p>“Summer Responsibly” Bottle Tagging Campaign Summer-themed bottle tags were distributed at 20 Linn County alcohol retailers in Mill City, Lyons, Scio, Sweet Home & Albany. Approximately 2,000 bottle tags were hung on bottles of alcohol. The QR codes printed on the tags were scanned six times.</p> <p>Two new stores in Lyons were added to the campaign. Two stores at the Hwy 34/I-5 exchange did not want to participate. Thank you to Dani and new bottle tagger Carter for helping out!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members discussed ideas for incentive item for retail participants. • The QR code on the tag is not being scanned. Customers receive the primary message (not to provide to minors) whether they scan the tag or not. • Members discussed the pros and cons of including larger retailers. Larger retailers would likely need permission from corporate offices. However, there would be larger outreach at these stores.
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Linn Together Coalition Assessment Survey

Presenters	Aliza
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Discussion	<p>Aliza presented the results from the recent Linn Together Coalition Assessment survey and discussed the key findings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Majority of respondents felt their input was considered by the coalition and that participation was a productive use of their time • <i>Public visibility of Linn Together:</i> Respondents mentioned the following as effective in enhancing public visibility - bottle tagging, fentanyl card distribution, billboards, social media, new website, using QR codes directed at website, branding process with Madison Avenue Collective. • <i>Measuring Linn Together impact on Linn County:</i> The increased visibility is a measure of impact.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Suggestions to better educate and reach parents:</i> Put on trainings specifically for educators, coordinating with PTC's, capitalize on health teachers, use ParentSquare or other school information apps, outreach at sporting events/games, being at wrap-a-round services like the Boys and Girls Club and after-school care. • <i>How to better include parent and educators voice to inform Linn Together's priorities:</i> Discuss at October meeting
Opioid Settlement Funds	
Presenter	Danette
Discussion	<p>Linn County Alcohol and Drug Program will receive funds as part of an opioid settlement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Challenges:</i> Rural nature of Linn County (determining what are needs and who needs it), breaking the cycle of generational abuse, lack of resources, collaborating with treatment, intervention, harm reduction, physicians, tracking kids who drop out of school, following up with Narcan use (who's using it, who went to the hospital, who received care), connecting people to resources when Narcan is given, information on how to administer Narcan. • <i>How have agencies or schools developed or modified policies in response to the opioid crisis?</i> Clackamas County provides info on safe storage devices, Scio schools have Narcan on site, Linn County Juvenile Dept has Narcan training every year, and also carry Narcan in the field. • <i>Who else should be part of this conversation?</i> Law enforcement, schools, emergency room departments, EMT's, Fire Departments, Salvation Army, after-school programs, school snack outreach, Summer camp programs, school carnivals, onsite food pantry for parents, outreach to homeless camps
Partner Announcements	
Presenter	All
Discussion	Rose is scheduling fentanyl awareness presentations at West Albany High School and Memorial Middle School.

Next Linn Together meeting:
 October 16, 2024
 12:00 – 1:00 pm
 Linn County Armory Building
 & virtual