Skill Building Session I: Community-Level Physical Activity Policy Change: "The How To"

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Billings, Montana:
Our Path to Complete Streets



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Billings, Montana

- Southeast Montana
- 104,000 residents
- Medical hub of region





The Alliance

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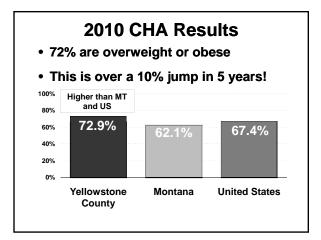


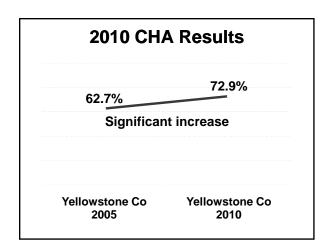
Community Health Assessment

- Completed initially in 2005
 - Again in 2010
- Sponsored by the Alliance
- Randomized telephone survey of Yellowstone County adults
- No single critical health issue emerged
- Referred to hereafter as "CHA"

2005 CHA Results

- Yellowstone County residents are struggling with these modifiable health risks:
 - -89% present one or more cardiovascular disease risk factors
 - -63% are overweight or obese
 - Only 41% meet physical activity recommendations





Alliance Response to the CHA

- Action
 - Form the Healthy by Design Advisory Committee
- Vision
 - A community that is Healthy by Design

Alliance Response to the CHA

- Mission
 - Collaborate across sectors to create healthier lifestyles



Healthy by Design Advisory Committee

- Better Billings Foundation
- Big Sky EDA
- Big Sky State Games
- Billings Clinic
- Billings Family YMCA
- Cancer Control Coalition

Healthy by Design Advisory Committee

- Chamber of Commerce/CVB
- City-County Planning Department
- Community health advocates
- League of Women Voters
- McCall Development
- MET Transit

Healthy by Design Advisory Committee

- MSU-Billings
- MSU-Extension Service
- Nutrition for the Future
- RiverStone Health
- Safe Routes to School
- St. Vincent Healthcare
- School Health Advisory Committee

2007 - 2009

- City of Billings Growth Policy 2007
 - Health Impact Assessment
 - Community Health section



2007 - 2009

- Complete Streets 2009
 - ACHIEVE grant
 - Nutrition and Physical Activity grant
 - -Goal
 - Complete Streets Policy

Healthy by Design Subcommittees

- Community health assessments
- Health impact assessments
- Worksite nutrition
- · Recognition program
- Complete Streets

What are "Complete Streets"?

- Designed and operated to enable safe access for all users
- Pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and public transportation users of all ages and abilities are able to safely move along and across a complete street

- Source: National Complete Streets Coalition: www.completestreets.org

Complete Streets



Complete Streets



The Education Process

- Trailhead to Health Summit
- Complete Streets Workshop
- Public presentations



Complete Streets Ad Hoc Committee

- Chamber of Commerce
- RiverStone Health
- Billings Clinic
- City-County Planning Department
- Public Works
- MET Transit

Complete Streets Ad Hoc Committee

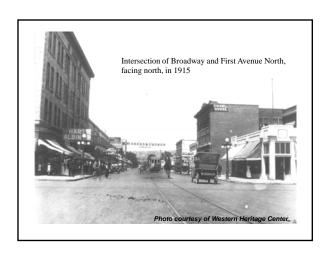
- McCall Development
- Sanderson Stewart
- Billings Association of Realtors
- City Council members
- Billings Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee





Lessons Learned







"Nothing great in the world has ever been accomplished without passion."

George Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel



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