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Huron County Public Health (HCPH) Funds Willard Bikeshare Program

WILLARD, Ohio – The Creating Healthy Communities (CHC) program at Huron County Public Health is proud to have funded the implementation of the new Willard Book-A-Bike Bikeshare Program in Willard, Ohio. Huron County CHC was able to donate just under \$15,000.00 to the City of Willard to support the implementation of the program. The Willard Book-A-Bike Bikeshare Program now includes four standard bikes, two electric pedal-assisted bikes, five local bike rack locations, and added biking accessories such as bike locks and bike baskets. The purpose of this program is to increase the accessibility to active transportation for Willard residents and beyond. In addition to the bikeshare program, Huron County CHC was also able to secure 75 free helmets through the Ohio AAP “Put a Lid on It!” Bike Helmet Safety Awareness Program which are free for pick up through the Huron County Community Library while supplies last.

Huron County CHC would like to thank the City of Willard and the Huron County Community Library for their collaboration efforts and contributions to this wonderful project, and a special “Thank You” to Bryson Hamons, City Manager, James Pomerich, Public Works Director, Kim Williams, Park and Recreation Director, and Laura Lee Wilson, Library Director, for their continued work on and dedication to this project. The City of Willard and the Huron County Community Library have been great partners in furthering CHC’s mission of increasing opportunities for physical activity that are accessible to all, and we look forward to continuing to work with them again in the future.

Grace Habeck, Program Coordinator for Huron County CHC was able to attend the ribbon cutting event that was held on Wednesday July 20th, 2022. Photos from the event can be seen below.

HCPH would like to invite any individuals, agencies, or organizations interested in getting involved in the work of CHC at the local level to complete an interest form at <https://www.huroncohealth.com/creatinghealthycommunities> or to contact the CHC Coordinator, Grace Habeck, directly at ghabeck@huroncohealth.com or 567-244-3270.

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