August 23, 2021

Thank you for completing your organization's 2021 Community Star Nominee Questionnaire!

Overview

Here is a copy of your organization's responses for your records. All nominations will be reviewed and evaluated by members of NOSORH's Community Star Selection Committee. One Community Star will be selected per state. If you are selected as your state's Community Star, I will work with you to schedule an interview so that we can develop your outstanding story to share in our annual book of Community Stars released on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

If you have any questions, please reach out to NRHD Community Star Project Coordinator, Brea Corsaro at bcorsaro@powerofrural.org.

Your Organization's Information

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COMMUNITY STARS

Organization or Project Website

https://www.floridaruralhealth.org/

Please describe in as much detail as possible, the mission of the organization and the work it does in relation to rural health?

Formed in 1992, the Florida Rural Health Association was created to provide a mechanism through which interested individuals and organizations in Florida could unite in advocacy for ensuring that all residents of rural Florida have access to a continuum of affordable healthcare.

It is this common interest that binds the FRHA membership and has allowed the development of a common voice for rural health.

Mission Statement:

To safeguard and improve the health of rural Floridians.

Vision Statement:

To be the recognized unifying voice, leader, and expert on health and health care issues affecting rural Florida.

We accomplish this Mission by:

Establishing, maintaining, and enhancing relationships and coordination among rural Floridians, rural communities, rural hospitals, County and State agencies, and strategic health alliances;

Serving as an information and research clearinghouse bringing together rural health expertise, knowledge, organizing and sharing data and 'best practice' intelligence in meaningful and useful format;

Advocating for, and the promotion of, the health needs of rural Florida.

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Values Statement:

The Florida Rural Health Association adheres to the following Values and believes they help define the culture and belief system of our organization, while guiding its and its members' decisions, actions, and behavior. They are the essence of the Association's identity:

Responsive*

Proactive*

Integrity*

Accountability*

Respect*

Collaboration

Kindness

Compassion

Inclusive

Stewardship

Commitment

Healthy

Leadership

Results-Oriented

Accessibility

If you have been nominated as a consortium, what was the catalyst that inspired the group to form?

Please provide details on each consortium member (if applicable) including each collaborator's organization and the nature of their work?

What is the impact of your organization/consortium on your community of the rural populations served by its efforts?

FRHA has provided a variety of educational offerings across the state. Our most successful program has been our Community Paramedicine Rural Project ECHo Series. We have had over 190 registration for this series and have offered over 20 sessions. The program has reached across our state boards and beyond.

Has your organization or consortium accessed, benefited from, or worked directly with your State Office of Rural Health?

Our partnership with the State Office of Rural Health has impacted our work greatly. Our relationship has grown over the past three years. Their support has impacted FRHA's capacity to provide programming and reach.

Is your organization a HRSA, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy Grantee? If yes, which grant program? If Yes, which one?

No