



# CRAWFORD COUNTY UNITED RECOVERY TASK FORCE

Dedicated to supporting the health and resiliency of Crawford County

## Crawford County Recovery Task Force

Originally established by the PSU/City of Pittsburg Joint City University Advisory Board, the charge of the Crawford County Recovery Task Force is the facilitation of joint coordination, planning, and communication amongst key private and public organizations, entities, stakeholders, and citizens to drive, manage, and promote the safe reopening and recovery of the local community and economy during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Task Force and subcommittees thereof will operate in an advisory capacity to provide information and support to local county and municipal governments, businesses, organizations and citizens. The Task Force will develop strategies to promote containment of the COVID-19 pandemic, preventing our local healthcare infrastructure from being overwhelmed, while mitigating the negative economic impacts on the local economy.

### **Task Force Membership**

**Co-Chairs:** Dr. Shawn Naccarato, Chief Strategy Officer, PSU  
Jay Byers, Deputy City Manager, City of Pittsburg

### **Membership:**

Rep. Monica Murnan, State Representative, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
Commissioner Jeremy Johnson, Crawford County Commissioner  
Jim Emerson, Crawford County Counsel  
Craig VanWey, Kansas Department of Commerce  
Dr. Timothy Stebbins, Crawford County Health Officer  
Dr. Linda Bean, Crawford County Deputy Health Officer  
Rebecca Adamson, Director, Crawford County Health Department  
John Zafuta, City Administrator, City of Frontenac  
Johanna O'Brien, City Administrator, City of Girard  
Lissa Rhodes, Director, Economic Development, City of Arma  
Blake Benson, President, Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce  
Jessica Ripper, President, Girard Area Chamber of Commerce  
Devin Gorman, Executive Director, Crawford County CVB  
Darrell Pulliam, University Strategic Initiatives, PSU  
Randy Robinson, EnterprisePSU, PSU  
Dr. Michael Davidsson, Director, Business & Economic Research Center, PSU  
Frances Graves, District Director & Community Vitality Agent, K-State Research & Extension  
Abby Fern, Chief Marketing & Communication Officer PSU  
Sarah Runyon, Public Information Officer, City of Pittsburg  
Samantha Garrett, Public Information Officer, Crawford County  
Dr. Brad Hanson, Assistant Superintendent, USD250  
Randy Cason, President, Ascension Via Christi Hospital  
Jamie Cravens, Infection Control Coordinator, Ascension Via Christi Hospital



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Tawny Sandifer, Chief Nursing Officer, Ascension Via Christi Hospital  
Ruth Duling, CEO, Girard Medical Center  
Patti Boore, RN Infection Control, Girard Medical Center  
Dawn McNay, Director of Development, Community Health Center of SEK  
Dr. Kathleen Sandness, Medical Director, Bryant Student Health Center  
Rita Girth, Operations Director, Bryant Student Health Center  
Michael Ehling, Executive Administrator, Crawford County Mental Health  
Jessica Keck, Via Christi Village, Ascension Via Christi

## Committees

### **Public Health, Containment Strategy, & Healthcare Infrastructure**

*Dr. Timothy Stebbins, Crawford County Public Health Officer, Co-Chair*  
*Dr. Linda Bean, Crawford County Deputy Public Health Officer, Co-Chair*  
Rebecca Adamson, Director, Crawford County Health Department  
Randy Cason, President, Ascension Via Christi Hospital  
Jamie Cravens, Infection Control Coordinator, Ascension Via Christi Hospital  
Janelle Wade, Director of Inpatient Services, Ascension Via Christi Hospital  
Tawny Sandifer, Chief Nursing Officer, Ascension Via Christi Hospital  
Ruth Duling, CEO, Girard Medical Center  
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Patricia Boone, RN Infection Control, Girard Medical Center  
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### **Government Relations & Recovery Funding Coordination**

*Jay Byers, Deputy City Manager, City of Pittsburg, Co-Chair*  
*Dr. Shawn Naccarato, Chief Strategy Officer, PSU, Co-Chair*  
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John Zafuta, City Administrator, City of Frontenac  
Johanna O'Brien, City Administrator, City of Girard  
Dawn McNay, Director of Development, CHC of SEK & Mayor, City of Pittsburg  
Blake Benson, President, Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce  
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Ed McKechnie, Board Member, USD 250 School Board  
Greg Kubler, Director, SEK Interlocal #637  
Rebecca Adamson, Director, Crawford County Health Department  
Jessica Keck, Via Christi Village, Ascension Via Christi  
Michael Ehling, Executive Administrator, Crawford County Mental Health  
**Possible subcommittees:** Education; Municipalities; Healthcare

## **Economic Impact, Recovery Strategy & Employer Relations**

*Darrell Pulliam, University Strategic Initiatives, PSU, Co-Chair*  
*Blake Benson, President, Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce, Co-Chair*  
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## **Marketing & Communication**

*Abby Fern, Chief Marketing & Communication Officer PSU, Co-Chair*  
*Samantha Garrett, Public Information Officer, Crawford County, Co-Chair*  
Sarah Runyon, Public Information Officer, City of Pittsburg  
Andra Stefanoni, Media Relations, PSU  
Josh Lowe, Director of Marketing, Pittsburg Area of Chamber of Commerce  
Elisha Seals, Public Information Officer, USD 250