

The Community Health Assessment (CHA) was developed through a partnership with Allegheny/Covington Health Department and Virginia Tech who distributed the CHA/CHIP survey a few years back. The group came up with the local name Live Well Allegheny Highlands. From this group the area of focus was narrowed down to three major areas: Early Childhood Literacy, Substance Use and Knowledge of Resources. Live Well Allegheny Highlands works to enhance the health and wellbeing of all who live, work and play in the Allegheny Highlands. The committee is comprised of individuals representing local governments, non-profits, healthcare providers, colleges, school districts, faith-based groups, community organizations, businesses and community members.

From the Knowledge of Resource group was a subcommittee to create a logo. While searching for a designer, one of the committee members reached out to Shannon Fogus of Jackson River Technical Center's marketing class. Ms. Fogus was happy to assist the committee by having her class design logos. After reviewing many logos the committee chose Nicole Gray's design.

Many of the CHA partners are actively distributing the 12 page documents which are available at the Allegheny Highlands Economic Development Corporation, the Allegheny Highlands Chamber of Commerce and Tourism and the YMCA.

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