



# Cochise Health & Social Services

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: County's Legacy Project in Full Swing**

## Cochise Health and Social Services Next to Showcase History and Future

As part of the Cochise County Legacy Project, Cochise Health and Social Services (CHSS) is pleased to invite all county residents to visit their local CHSS clinic for an open house on Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. All five CHSS clinics will host guests from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (for the location of your nearest CHSS clinic, please visit <https://www.cochise.az.gov/health-and-social-services/home>).

During these events, staff will be available to provide tours and answer questions about CHSS services. Additionally, guests may view a video of various Legacy Project features that were distributed during the first three weeks of July: the history of the Health Department, the multitude of services offered, and the committed staff members. Also on the tour will be the new Family Support Rooms located in all five service centers. These rooms have been designed for the comfort of families with young children and for privacy for breast feeding moms who come for services or who are employees of the county.

Two new programs that will be highlighted are the Medication Disposal Program and the Sharps Disposal Program. Both programs are offered free of charge to citizens throughout the county. Another new program is Live Healthy, a newly expanded prescription, dental, and medical discount program.

It is hoped that all county employees and members of the public take just a few minutes to stop by a CHSS service center for light refreshments and lots of free information. More information may be found at [cochise.az.gov](http://cochise.az.gov).

## Legacy Project – An 18-Month County-wide Undertaking

The Cochise County Legacy Project began in early 2014 when a small group of employees was challenged to find ways to boost morale and keep traditions moving forward. After much discussion, creative thinking, collaboration, and a little head scratching, the Legacy Project was born.

The Legacy Project's goal is to memorialize the county's history -- department by department -- and build upon its heritage, instill pride, and envision the future. Each month, employees of a different county department outline the department's history, list their services, highlight their staff, and host a community outreach event designed to help county residents and employees learn more about what their department does and why.

Departments focus on their part in supporting the county's vision, mission and goals for the future. Individual presentations began in February 2015 and will continue through August 2016.

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## About Cochise Health and Social Services

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, Cochise Health and Social Services promotes health and quality of life for all Cochise County residents through community partnerships, education, service, and leadership. For more information, including recent media releases, please visit our website at <https://www.cochise.az.gov/health-and-social-services/home>.

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