



# Branch County Community Network

(The Community Collaborative in Branch County)

Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Guidelines

## **PURPOSE**

The Branch County Community Network (BCCN) is the community collaborative for Branch County and exists to enhance community development by providing a platform for networking and collaboration.

## **FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year begins October 1 and ends September 30.

## **MEMBERSHIP / MEMBER SERVICES**

Membership is available to any organization who desires to improve the lives of families in Branch County by working together with other organizations. Potential members are asked to submit an application which will be reviewed by committee.

Membership networking meetings will occur every month on a day, time, and location determined annually. Members will receive emailed meeting reminders and may request information and announcements be emailed to other members and/or posted on the Network's webpage, if appropriate. Members will have the opportunity to have a 15-minute presentation about the member's organization. Members can request a date to have the presentation, or our coordinator will set up schedules for the members.

## **DUES**

Different levels of dues are offered to give members options for participation in the BCCN and to encourage the participation of more community members. Dues are payable on or before October 1 each year.

### **VOTING MEMBERS - \$500**

State-required collaborative member organizations pay dues at the \$500 level. At this level, the appointed alternate may vote in the absence of the chief administrator. Up to five additional organizational members can attend meetings as non-voting members.

These members include Branch Intermediate School District, Community Action, ProMedica Coldwater Regional Hospital, Community Mental Health (Pines Behavioral Health), Community Health Agency, County of Branch (County Administrator or his/her designee), and the Department of Human Services.

### **ALTERNATE - \$200**

Non-governmental organizations members may appoint one alternate who represents the organization and can vote in the absence of the chief administrator. Up to two organizational representatives may attend BCCN meetings each month.

### **NON-VOTING MEMBERS \$50**

One representative from an organization attends monthly meetings. Members at this level do not vote on BCCN issues.