



Cindy Bosch is a Personnel Security Assistant at John J. Pershing VAMC. She has a son who is a senior this year and he will be attending MSU in the fall for Graphic Design. An interesting skill that she has is that she loves art and has learned how to work with stained glass as well as making jewelry. An issue that Cindy feels needs addressed in our community is bringing back meaningful in-person connections. She is passionate about our small businesses, our Poplar Bluff downtown and animal welfare issues. Cindy strongly believes in the benefits of lifelong learning. She is involved in AWA's Art for Animals Auction.



Amber Herren is a One-Stop Operator at South Central Missouri Job Centers and is the youngest of three siblings. Her parents have always been diligent and supportive, emphasizing the significance of education, hard work and perseverance. Amber has adopted these values and continues to impact them to her own children. She is a wife and the mother of four sons, whose ages range from 16 to 30 years old. An interesting skill that Amber has is that she possesses a unique blend of analytical and creative thinking. This enables her to approach problems systematically while also offering innovative solutions. Amber oversees two job centers in the South-Central Region, which encompasses twelve counties, including Butler County. She has identified a significant deficit in the availability of a skilled workforce and says to achieve self-sustainability, it is essential that our job seekers gain access to employment opportunities that offer increased earning potential. Amber is committed to leading collaborative efforts within the community to foster a vibrant and competitive economy in South Central Missouri. Her focus is on enhancing workforce and workplace development to promote a high-skill, high-wage environment. Amber believes that promoting self-sufficiency at the community level can foster resilience and empower individuals to take control of their own development. She oversees two South Central Missouri Job Centers in Poplar Bluff and West Plains. She is a member of the National Association of Workforce Development Professionals.



Terri McCormick is Director of Development and Finance with Boys & Girls Club of Poplar Bluff. She and her husband Kevin have been married for 20 years. They have three children. A daughter, Madison and two sons, Jackson and Cooper. Terri's interesting skill is that she can type 70-75 words a minute. She feels that poverty and workforce development are two issues that need to be addressed in our community. Terri is passionate about helping our youth develop the necessary needs to be successful. She strongly believes in community involvement and is involved in Boys & Girls Club of the Heartland, Rotary Club of Poplar Bluff and Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee.



Tabitha Parsons is a District HR Manager for Pepsi MidAmerica. She and her husband have two children. Their oldest, Brandon is a Corporal for the United States Army stationed in Fort Eustis Virginia. And their youngest, Tanner received his CDL through TRC college and is employed as a route driver. They have one grandson and are super excited to have another on the way in June. A skill Tabitha possesses is the ability to recruit top-quality employees across various sectors. Her experience spans healthcare, industrial, customer service and logistics. She would like to see greater expansion of the family-oriented activities within the community. One opportunity for growth is the addition of a splash pad, providing local families with a fun cost-free option for children's recreation. Furthermore, she believes there is potential for increased participation in planning the county fair, particularly in terms of entertainment and activities. Expanding this event, along with hosting other community gatherings throughout the year, such as "Food Truck Fridays" or an outdoor Winter Wonderland, could enhance the local experience while simultaneously generating revenue for both the community and small businesses. Tabitha is passionate about helping others seeking employment. She enjoys helping job seekers obtain employment and watching them learn and grow within an organization. Tabitha strongly believes in the idea that you can achieve your goals if you put forth the drive and determination. She is the former Community Coordinator for the Butler County Community Resource Council and current member of the Parents Working Committee. She helped coordinate and plan local job fairs in partnership with the Missouri Job Center and Three Rivers College to connect employers with job seekers. Additionally, she assisted individuals with disabilities or other barriers in creating resumes and developing soft skills to prepare for interviews. Tabitha also volunteered in river cleanup efforts.



Corey Reynolds works as a Program Coordinator at Three Rivers College. He was born on his parents' very first anniversary and they are some of the most hardworking people he knows. He has two brothers, and a wonderful sister-in-law and four handsome nephews and one beautiful niece. Corey loves to cook and eat (but not too much). Issues he feels need to be addressed in our community are family systems related issues, mental health and substance use stigmas and helping those in poverty break generational poverty through attaining education and/or vocational training opportunities. Corey is passionate about raising awareness for mental health and substance use related issues, linking community members to relevant resources and the promotion of educational and vocational training opportunities. He strongly believes that there is much more that unites a community than divides a community. He says that we do not have to see eye to eye to work towards a common goal and to further achieve excellent results. What determines if a community will successfully achieve common goals is determined on the level of respect that is cultivated and reinforced by every level and facet of the community. Corey also believes that faith is the foundation of success because by it anything is possible. Corey is on the Board of Directors at Recycling Grace Women's Centers, Mental Health Awareness Committee at the Community Resource Council. He has also served on the State Advisory Council for the Missouri Department of Mental Health as well as served on the Missouri Student Mental Health Taskforce.



Toni Stoner is an LPN at John J. Pershing VA Medical Center. Toni and her husband Wade have a son, Austin and a daughter and son-in-law Katie and Jesse Murphy of Puxico and two grandchildren, Olivia and Waylon Murphy. Toni says that some interesting skills that she has are that she is quite the people person. She never meets a stranger. And she loves to sing gospel music with her 93-year-old grandpa Buddy Williams. She is passionate about making the community aware of different programs available to them. Toni is currently on the Butler County Extension Council and is President of the John J. Pershing VAMC Employee Association, Member of Eastern Star, Member of PB Eagles Ladies Axillary. She attends Little Brushy Baptist Church at Lake Wappapello.