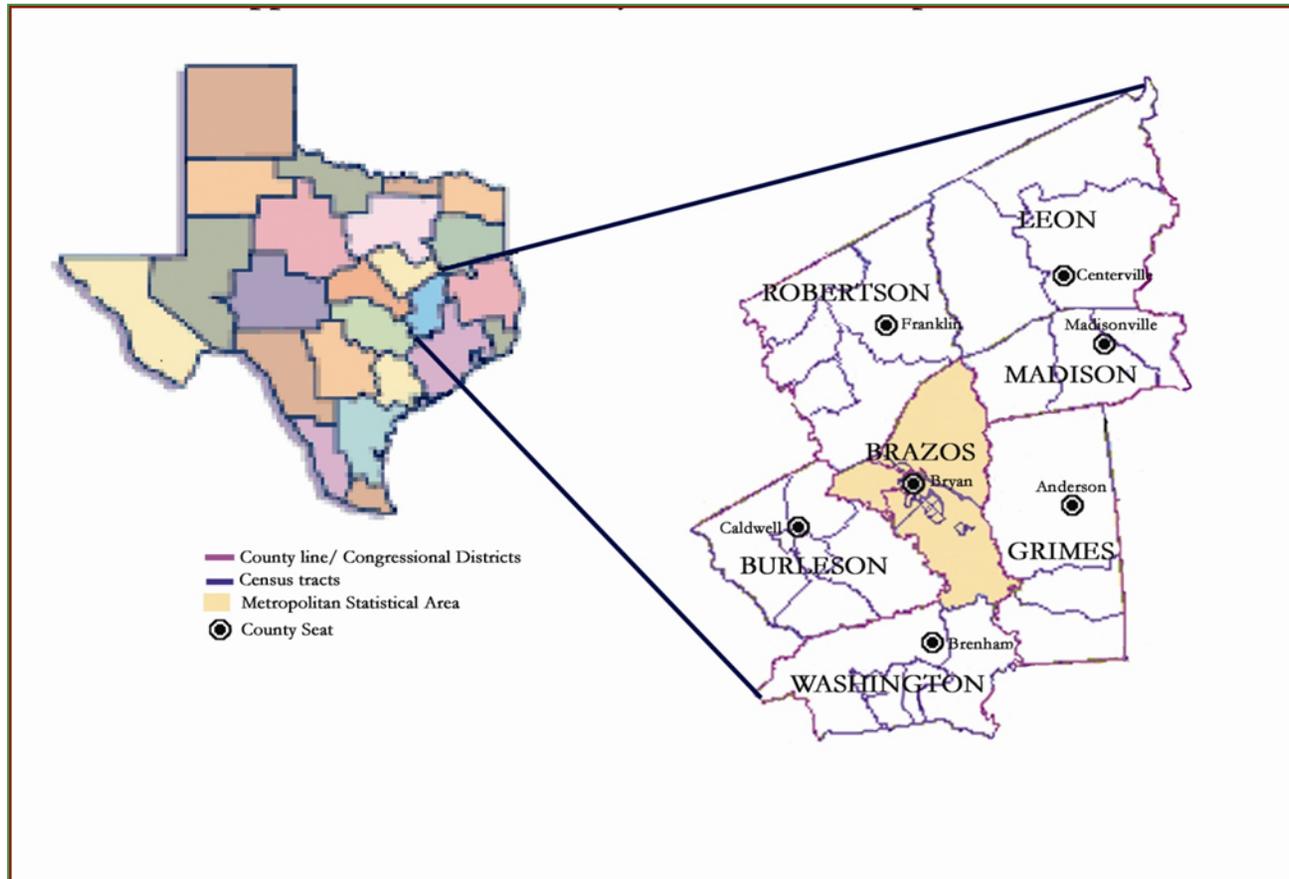


RURAL HEALTH RESOURCE CENTERS: A REGIONAL SOLUTION A LOCAL COMMITMENT

Increasing Access to Care in
Rural Brazos Valley Communities



Brazos Valley Region



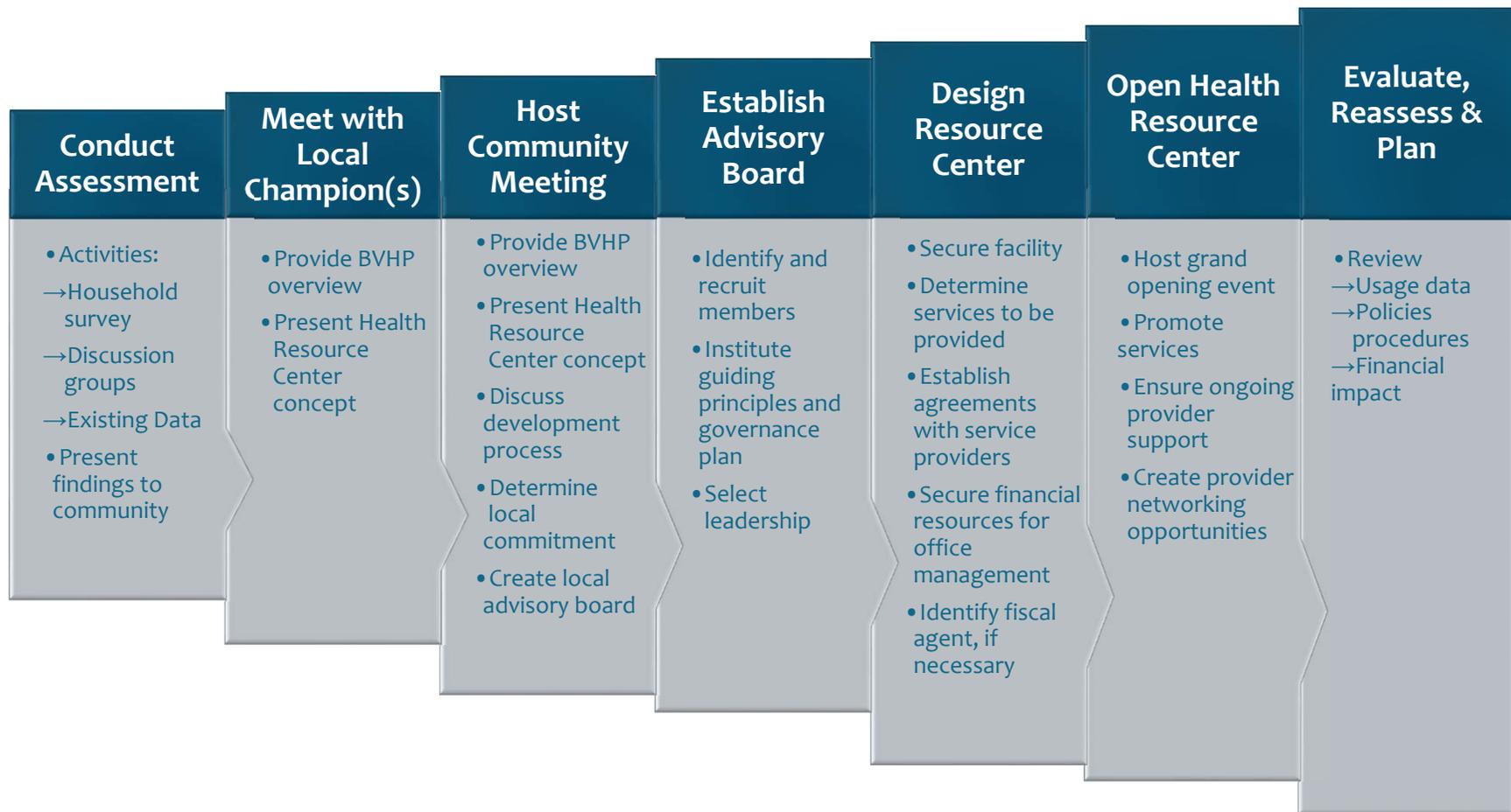
Regional Response to Local Need

- Brazos Valley Health Partnership formed in 2002
 - Comprised of regional health care and social services providers, local non-profits, faith-based organizations, local governments, consumer advocates, civic organizations, and academia.
- Task group formed to address the lack of access to care in rural communities
 - Solution – Rural Health Resource Centers
- BVHP worked with local communities to develop HRCs
 - Criteria for HRC – local commitment to development *and* sustainability

What is a Health Resource Center?

- “One-stop-shop” with multiple service providers
 - No overhead costs for providers
 - Locally subsidized
 - Mission : Improve access to care and health status of Brazos Valley residents through collaboration and coordination of services
- Transportation program
 - Takes residents to health-related destinations
 - Uses volunteer drivers
- Planned Services:
 - Service coordination
 - Medication assistance
 - Information and referral
 - Telemedicine
 - Miscellaneous service providers

HRC Development Process



Result of HRC Initiative

