



August Commission Board and Coalition Meeting Agendas

08/13/2026

VINEYARD CARES AUGUST COMMISSION BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, August 13, 2026

Time: 5:45 PM – 6:45 PM

Location: Vineyard City Hall

Presiding: David Pearce, Commission Chair

Facilitated by: Melissa Ghandour, Vineyard Cares Coordinator

Objectives

At the end of this meeting, the Commission will:

- Make key decisions needed to move fall programs and prevention initiatives forward
- Confirm Vineyard Cares' primary priorities and level of involvement for fall 2026
- Identify immediate recruitment, workgroup, and Commission action needs

1. Welcome, Attendance & Meeting Overview

- Welcome and quorum confirmation
- Review of priority decisions for the meeting

2. Review & Approval of June Commission Meeting Minutes – Action Item

Review and approve the June 30, 2026 Commission meeting minutes.

3. Family Day / Family Connection Event – Decision Item

Determine the direction for a Vineyard Cares Family Day event, tentatively planned for Monday, Sept 28.

Option 1: Family Dinner in the Park

- Simple family meal
- Family conversation kits or connection trail
- Family photo or photo booth opportunity
- One vendor-led entertainment or engagement activity
- Simple, on-message, and distinctly different from the Vineyard Days Community Block Party

Option 2: Drive-Thru Take a Meal / Donate a Meal

- Simple drive-through family meal distribution
- Family conversation/connection kit
- Opportunity to donate or support meals for families in need
- Lower staffing and event-production needs

Decision: Select preferred direction and identify immediate next steps.

4. Fall Prevention & Partnership Decisions

October 14 Sheriff's Office Safety & Prevention Event

Confirm Vineyard Cares' co-sponsorship and scope of participation in the Sheriff's Office event at Grove Park from 3:00–5:00 PM.

Potential support may include:

- Vineyard Cares booth and prevention messaging
- Treats/giveaways
- Simple safety or connection-focused activity or photo opportunity
- Connection to Red Ribbon Week and broader prevention efforts

Decision: Confirm level of participation and immediate planning needs.

September Suicide Prevention Outreach

Determine a focused and manageable approach for September Suicide Prevention Month.

Potential efforts may include:

- Community yard sign campaign
- Social media awareness campaign
- Friendship / You Matter bracelet campaign
- Combination of selected outreach efforts

Decision: Select September outreach approach and scope.

Additional Opportunity: Consider QPR suicide prevention training as future coalition or community training.

Red Ribbon Week

- Confirm general level of Vineyard Cares support for school prevention efforts
- Identify immediate school follow-up needs

5. Fall Priority Check

Review the current fall plan to ensure priorities are realistic, mission-aligned, and manageable.

- Assessment & Data Workgroup launch in mid-September
- Family Day / Family Connection Event
- September prevention outreach
- October 14 Sheriff's Office Safety & Prevention Event
- Red Ribbon Week school activities
- Guiding Good Choices beginning October 24
- Vineyard City Fall/Halloween Event on October 24
- Welcome, Outreach & Coalition Development Workgroup launching later this fall

Discussion: Is this the right level of activity for the fall, and is there anything we should scale back, defer, or approach primarily through partners?

6. Commission, Coalition & Workgroup Recruitment

- Open Commission positions and potential applicants
- Assessment & Data Workgroup recruitment at tonight's Coalition Meeting
- Coalition member recruitment and personal outreach
- Welcome, Outreach & Coalition Development Workgroup recruitment later this fall

Action: Identify potential recruits and immediate outreach assignments.

7. Action Items & Next Steps

- Confirm decisions and assignments
- Identify items to bring forward at tonight's Coalition Meeting
- Confirm next Commission meeting

Adjourn

VINEYARD CARES AUGUST COALITION MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, August 13, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Location: Vineyard City Hall

Dinner available at start of meeting

Presiding: David Pearce, Commission Chair

Facilitated by: Melissa Ghandour, Vineyard Cares Coordinator

Objectives

At the end of this session, participants will be able to:

- Identify school counseling services and supports available to Vineyard students and families
- Understand the purpose of the Assessment & Data Workgroup and opportunities to participate
- Identify additional community members and partners who should be represented in Vineyard Cares
- Identify at least one opportunity to participate in coalition work, programs, outreach, or leadership this fall

1. Welcome & Coalition Kickoff

- Welcome and introductions
- Brief summer highlights
- Kickoff of the new coalition year
- Meeting objectives and priorities for the evening

2. School & Community Partner Spotlight

Debbie Lewis, School Counselor, Trailside Elementary & Vineyard Elementary

- Overview of the school counseling program, available supports and resources, and ways the counseling office serves and connects with students, families, and the community.
- Questions and discussion

3. Community Assessment & Data Workgroup

Introduction to the next phase of Vineyard's community assessment process.

- Purpose of the Assessment & Data Workgroup
- Building on Vineyard's 2025 SHARP data with additional community data, information, and perspectives
- First workgroup meeting planned for mid-September
- Recruiting coalition members and community partners to participate

Coalition Discussion:

- What are you seeing or hearing from Vineyard youth and families that we need to understand better?
- What information, perspectives, or community voices are we missing?

4. Growing Vineyard Cares: Membership & Involvement

Current opportunities to strengthen coalition membership, leadership, and representation.

- **Commission Applications:** Recruiting applicants for open Vineyard Cares Commission positions
- **Assessment & Data Workgroup:** Recruiting members for the September launch
- **Welcome, Outreach & Coalition Development Workgroup:** Launching later this fall following the Assessment & Data Workgroup

- **Coalition Membership:** Continuing to recruit residents, parents, community organizations, businesses, schools, and other partners
- **Events & Outreach:** Opportunities to participate without joining a formal workgroup

Recruitment Discussion:

- Who is one person, organization, or community voice we should invite to Vineyard Cares?
- Who can you personally help us connect with?

5. Fall Calendar & Opportunities for Involvement

Upcoming Vineyard Cares programs, events, and partnership opportunities:

- **Assessment & Data Workgroup:** Mid-September, date TBA
- **Family Day:** Tentatively Monday, September 28
- **Crash the Car: Safety & Prevention Event:** October 14, in partnership with the Sheriff's Office
- **Red Ribbon Week:** School prevention activities throughout October
- **Guiding Good Choices:** Five-week parent program beginning Saturday, October 24
- **Vineyard City Fall/Halloween Event:** October 24, *Coco's World* theme
- Additional trainings, outreach, and partner opportunities throughout the fall

6. Partner Updates & Community Connections

Brief opportunity for coalition members and partners to share:

- Upcoming programs, resources, or events
- Partnership opportunities
- Community needs or emerging concerns
- Relevant announcements

7. Get Involved & Next Steps

- Assessment & Data Workgroup sign-up
- Commission application interest
- Welcome, Outreach & Coalition Development Workgroup interest
- Fall event and outreach involvement
- New coalition member referrals
- Follow-up and partner connections
- Next Coalition Meeting: September 10

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