



## WILCOX COUNTY COMMUNITY IN ACTION

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**Be Smart. Be Sober. Be Safe.  
Travel Alcohol & Drug Free!**

## Public Messages

### Mental Health Awareness Month

Each year millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental illness. During May, National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI) joins the national movement to raise awareness about mental health. Each year we fight stigma, provide support, educate the public and advocate for policies that support people with mental illness and their families.

For 2022's Mental Health Awareness Month, NAMI will amplify the message of "Together for Mental Health." We will use this time to bring our voices together to advocate for mental health and access to care through NAMI's blog, personal stories, videos, digital toolkits, social media engagements and national events. <https://www.nami.org/Get-Involved/Awareness-Events/Mental-Health-Awareness-Month>

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 2, 2022

City Council Meeting  
Camden, AL  
6:00 p.m.

May 5, 2022

National Day of Prayer  
Pine Hill, AL  
12:00 p.m.

May 7, 2022

Boykin May Day  
Gees Bend, AL  
10:00 a.m.

May 7, 2022

Westgate May Day  
Westgate Park  
Camden, AL  
11:00 a.m.

May 9, 2022

City Council Meeting  
Pine Hill, AL  
5:30 p.m.

May 10, 2022

Wilcox County Community  
Coalition Meeting  
Virtual-12:00 p.m.

May 10, 2022

Communities of  
Transformation Meeting  
Pine Hill UMC  
6:00 p.m.

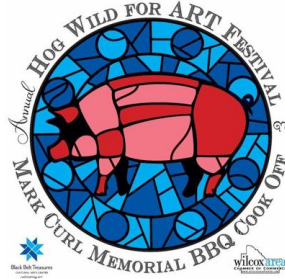
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H.E.A.L.I.N.G Meeting  
Hope Center  
Camden, AL  
6:00 p.m.

May 11, 2022

Wilcox County Board of  
Education  
Virtual – 5:00 p.m.

# INFORMATION DISSEMINATION



The Prevention Coalition Coordinator attended the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Mark Curl Memorial BBQ Cook-Off. BBQ teams from across the state competed to see who could cook the best BBQ Ribs, Butts, and Chicken. There was street vendor shopping, an antique car show, children's activities, live music, Hog Wild Art Show, and more. Officer Steele joined our table to support us as we got the message out to the community using flyers, postcards, wallet cards, window clings, and our website.



May 12, 2022

Wilcox County Chamber  
Meeting  
12:00 p.m.

May 14, 2022

May Day  
Annemarie, AL  
10:00 a.m.

May 17, 2022

Parent Night Out  
Talk They Hear You  
Campaign  
Lily Baptist Community Center  
5:30 p.m.

May 18, 2022

Pine Hill Mission & Foodbank  
Food Distribution  
Pine Hill, AL  
11:00 a.m.

May 19, 2022

Wilcox Academy Graduation  
Camden, AL  
8:00 p.m.

May 21, 2022

MayDay  
Alberta, AL  
10:00 a.m.

May 24, 2022

Election Day

May 27, 2022

Wilcox Central High School  
Senior Graduation  
6:00 p.m.

May 28, 2022

May Day  
Flatwood, AL  
10:00 a.m.

May 30, 2022

Memorial Day

# COMMUNITY-BASED PROCESSES

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## COVID UPDATES

### COVID vaccine questions and answers: Tell us what you want to know, we'll ask the professionals

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**(1)** By [Howard Koplowitz | hkoplowitz@al.com](#)

Worried about potential side effects of the [COVID-19](#) vaccine? Are you unsure what activities are safe following vaccination? Whether you're vaccinated or not, AL.com will be reaching out to public health experts to get your concerns addressed about the COVID-19 vaccine. Just shoot an email to [vaccines@al.com](mailto:vaccines@al.com) and we'll get an expert to directly answer your question.

**(2)** The **Alabama** Department of Public Health (ADPH) occasionally receives **updates** on dates of cases and deaths that requires we reprocess data. Visit this website for the current data by county:

[Alabama COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard \(arcgis.com\)](#)

**(3)** United Way and the Alabama Department of Public Health are working together to aid individuals in Alabama, who are facing hardship resulting from the need to isolate due to COVID-19. Those who have tested positive for, or been exposed to, COVID-19 and are required to quarantine, may qualify for assistance that could help keep your family safe and make isolation easier.

After Calling United Way's 2-1-1 information and referral line a screening will follow to determine if you may qualify for help in various ways. These are just a few examples of ways assistance may be offered but there are strict guidelines to qualify. Call 2-1-1 (888-421-1266) to be screened for qualification and to learn more about the program.