



**Friday, November 19, 2021 | 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Hybrid Meeting**

Agenda

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| I. | Welcome & Approval of Minutes | B. Troyer |
| II. | CLIFF Dashboard | O. Mata-Williams |
| III. | Workgroup Committee Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Denton County Works Steering Committee• Strategic Planning Committee• Family Childcare Network• Working Family Success: Financial Empowerment | R. Del Rio
L. H. Jeng
S. Redondo
D. Burgoon |
| IV. | Denton County Leadership Teams Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DCBHLT• DCHLT | S. Spencer
E. Lusk |
| V. | Backbone Support Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• EdFarm• TWC Workforce Grant | O. Mata Williams |
| VI. | Public Comment | B. Troyer |
| VII. | New Business | B. Troyer |
| VIII. | Adjourn | B. Troyer |

**Next Meeting Date:
Friday, December 17, 2021 | 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. | Hybrid Meeting**



Denton County Workforce Success Leadership Team

8:30 am Fri, Oct. 15, 2021
Hybrid In-Person and Virtual
Over Zoom

Welcome and Introduction

Mr. Bob Troyer calls the meeting to order and welcomes everyone. Calls for approval of August minutes and passed with two votes.

Update from Friends of the Family

Ms. Hillary Hightower, Director of Training and Outreach, gives an overview of Friends of the Family, history, and programs. Then shares more in-depth about domestic and sexual violence. Denton county had 8 domestic violence homicides in 2020. Domestic violence doesn't stay at home, it greatly affects job performance and therefore businesses bottom line. Providing community resources with employees is good for them but also for the business! F of F can come and speak at workplaces on signs of domestic violence and how to build healthy families. They also offer equity and diversity trainings as well as customized trainings. Next, an overview was given of the creation of a Family Justice Center for Denton County. A question was then asked about play therapy that they offer and how the in-take process works.

Childcare Workgroup Report

Ms. Shelby Redondo. Childcare Network grant update is on track to meet goal of 100 providers. Working on prepping providers for Rising Star inspections. Nov/Dec network will be meeting to layout 2022 goals.

Financial Coaching/Family Success

Ms. Alicia McElroy shared an overview of the program and introduced Devan as the new director because Alicia is going on maternity leave. Updates on grant proposals and ongoing programs at libraries, Cumberland, and online.

Denton County Works Steering Committee

Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio gave an update on the Denton County Works website and currently collecting data on usage. Focus of this committee is to help primarily ALICE families.

Strategic Planning Committee

Dr. Jeng confirmed that the revised strategic plan is available and asked to add it to the agenda next Month for voting by leadership team.



Behavioral Health

Ms. Shanan Spencer shared updates about renewal of grants, and has helped 32 veterans with rent and utilities, totaling \$50,000. Update on substance abuse committee aiming to better streamline resources as well as offer community trainings. Mental Health Matters has partnered with NCTC to hold monthly panels on mental health. Overdose Response Teams through grant funding are being established in fire and police departments. Children and Family Systems workgroup seeking funding to set up navigators as well as making more pediatric beds more accessible in Denton County. Also a new ad hoc Suicide committee has started to meet in light of new trends.

Homeless Leadership Team

Ms. Elena Lusk updates on Continuum of Care and consideration of establishing our own service area focus. Meeting soon to update strategic plan. Point in Time homeless census is also being planned for January. Rapid Rehousing grant extensions are also being pursued.

Covid Update

Mr. Gary Henderson gives updates on covid relief and eviction prevention data and backlog of families needing assistance continues to grow considerably.

Ed Farm Updates

Ms. Olivia Mata-Williams gives update on Ed Farm grant. She visited Ft. Worth ISD and STEM programs and observed how they are using virtual reality for career training. This could also be used for interviewing skills. Also, UW of Texas and Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta have an amazing tool called the CLIFF dashboard, specifically designed for ALICE households to better understand different types of vocations and the effect of assistance programs and losing them.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourns at 10:04 am.

If you have something you would like on the agenda for our next meeting, please contact Olivia Mata-Williams: Olivia@unitedwaydenton.org

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ling Hwey Jeng".

Dr. Ling Hwey Jeng
Secretary of DCWSLT